



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MICHAEL B. DONLEY

Mr. Michael B. Donley is the Secretary of the Air Force, Washington, D.C. He is the 22nd Secretary and was confirmed Oct. 2, 2008. He is responsible for the affairs of the Department of the Air Force, including the organizing, training, equipping and providing for the welfare of its more than 333,000 men and women on active duty, 178,000 members of the Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserve, 182,000 civilians, and their families. He also oversees the Air Force's annual budget of more than \$110 billion.



Mr. Donley has 30 years of experience in the national security community, including service in the Senate, White House and the Pentagon. Prior to assuming his current position, Mr. Donley served as the Director of Administration and Management in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. He oversaw organizational and management planning for the Department of Defense and all administration, facility, information technology and security matters for the Pentagon.

From 1996 to 2005, Mr. Donley was a Senior Vice President at Hicks and Associates, Inc., a subsidiary of Science Applications International Corporation, and a consultant to DOD and the State Department on national security matters. From 1993 to 1996, he was Senior Fellow at the Institute for Defense Analyses. During this period he was a Senior Consultant to the Commission on Roles and Missions of the Armed Forces and participated in two studies on the organization of the Joint Staff and the Office of the Chairman, JCS. Prior to this position, he served as the Acting Secretary of the Air Force for seven months, and from 1989 to 1993 he was the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management and Comptroller).

Mr. Donley supported two Presidents and five National Security Advisers during his service at the National Security Council from 1984 to 1989. As Deputy Executive Secretary he oversaw the White House Situation Room and chaired interagency committees on crisis management procedures and continuity of government. Earlier, as Director of Defense Programs, Mr. Donley was the NSC

representative to the Defense Resources Board, and coordinated the President's quarterly meetings with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He conceived and organized the President's Blue Ribbon Commission on Defense Management (the Packard Commission), coordinated White House policy on the Goldwater-Nichols DOD Reorganization Act of 1986, and wrote the National Security Strategy for President Reagan's second term. He was also a Professional Staff Member on the Senate Armed Services Committee from 1981 to 1984.

Mr. Donley served in the U.S. Army from 1972 to 1975 with the XVIIIth Airborne Corps and 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), attending the Army's Intelligence and Airborne Schools and the Defense Language Institute. Mr. Donley earned both Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in international relations from the University of Southern California. He also attended the Senior Executives in National Security program at Harvard University.

EDUCATION

1972 U.S. Army Intelligence School, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

1973 Defense Language Institute, Monterey, Calif.

1974 U.S. Army Airborne School, Fort Benning, Ga.

1977 Bachelor of Arts degree in international relations, University of Southern California, Los Angeles

1978 Master of Arts degree in international relations, University of Southern California, Los Angeles

1986 Program for Senior Executives in National Security, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. 1972 - 1975, U.S. Army, XVIIIth Airborne Corps and 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C.

2. 1978 - 1979, Editor, National Security Record, Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.

3. 1979 - 1981, Legislative Assistant, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

4. 1981 - 1984, Professional Staff Member, Senate Armed Services Committee, Washington, D.C.

5. 1984 - 1987, Director of Defense Programs, National Security Council, the White House, Washington, D.C.

6. 1987 - 1989, Deputy Executive Secretary, National Security Council, the White House, Washington, D.C.

7. 1989 - 1993, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management and Comptroller), Washington, D.C.

8. 1993, Acting Secretary of the Air Force, Washington, D.C.

9. 1993 - 1996, Senior Fellow at the Institute for Defense Analyses, Alexandria, Va.

10. 1996 - 2005, Senior Vice President at Hicks and Associates, Inc., a subsidiary of Science Applications International Corporation, McLean, Va.

11. 2005 - 2008, Director of Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, D.C.

12. 2008 - present, Secretary of the Air Force, Washington, D.C.

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