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Derrick Curtis is Director of Software Testing and Section 508 in the Enterprise Portfolio Management Division (EPMD), Office of Information and Technology (OIT), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). His group supports all the technical aspects of design, development, testing, analysis and implementation of system software applications into the emerging IT needs of the VA nationwide. Senior technical authority on software application testing and analysis, database administration support, and configuration management; oversees compliance with set standards, VA policies, Federal Government Rules and Regulations including Section 508 compliance. Determines enterprise testing methodology, evaluation of needs, and drives strategies to incorporate change into both long- and short- term strategic plans.

Before joining the VA, Derrick Curtis served as Chief, Mobility Air Forces (MAF) Programs Division, Directorate of Communications, Air Mobility Command (AMC) at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. The Mobility Air Forces Programs Division is responsible for the acquisition and program management of the information technology programs that improve command and control of AMC assets, as well as increase the air transportation velocity of cargo and passengers. The division is comprised of a diverse team of acquisition professionals and technical specialists that are responsible for the development planning and life-cycle sustainment of these Air Mobility Command mission-critical, command-wide, command and control, and port management information systems. The division provides strategic oversight to increase interoperability and information interchange between Air Mobility Command, Air Force, and US Transportation Command information systems.

Prior to his Air Force civil service career, Mr. Curtis served 24 years in the U.S. Air Force as an Aerospace Ground Equipment Specialist and later as a Project Manager. His experience includes operations on a variety of maintenance platforms coupled with Program and Project Management of major information technology systems. His experience also includes acquisition, planning, budget/execution for systems and services supporting defense transportation.

EDUCATION:

- 2008 Bachelor's Degree in Information Systems Management, University of Maryland College Park; Maryland, DE
- 2013 Master's Degree in Information Technology Management / Master's Degree Procurement and Acquisitions Management, Webster University; St. Louis, MO

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

Multiple Civilian Performance, Quarterly, and Annual Awards
Level III Acquisition Certification, Information Technology
Level I Acquisition Certification, Program Management