



# BIOGRAPHY

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

## DUSTIN E. LAWRENCE

Mr. Dustin E. Lawrence is an Instructional Systems Design professional at the Air Force Negotiation Center, Maxwell, Air Force Base, Alabama. In this position, he is charged with course development, including project management and process improvement activities, performing instructor duties to Air Force Negotiation Center audiences, conducting research, coordination, and development efforts required of a course design phase, developing test programs before fielding new products, producing Sharable Content Object Reference Model compliant products to be delivered on multiple cyber-based platforms, as well as formatting and loading products appropriately for use on Learning Management Systems.

Mr. Lawrence served in the Air Force beginning in 1998. Initially as an Air Traffic Controller, he provided aerospace direction for the Air Force's busiest Air Traffic Control Center for nearly three years, until latter 2000. He then cross-trained into the Satellite and Wideband Communications career field, which took him to seven different assignments, all seven continents, and fifty-seven countries over the course of the next 14 years. He has an advanced electrical engineering background which allowed him to develop and field unmanned aerial vehicles, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration weather balloons, Air Force space systems, lightweight man-pack communications systems, and many others, culminating as Superintendent of North Atlantic Treaty Organization and Air Force owned nuclear assets. Which further included his leadership and direction of the Air Force's only Nuclear University, where he designed, developed, and instructed coursework for training and utilization of all Air Force overseas assigned nuclear weapons security maintenance personnel while supervising and leading eighteen instructors.



In 2014, Mr. Lawrence took on a career broadening opportunity, becoming a First Sergeant. Where he served for five years at Ramstein Air Base, Germany leading, mentoring, and influencing, 47-thousand service members and their families while assigned to multiple squadrons and detachments. In 2019, he volunteered for assignment to the Air Force First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell-Gunter, Air Force Base, Alabama. serving as Instructor and Director of Education for more than eight-hundred students annually. As well as becoming a Alternate Dispute Resolution Facilitator and Instructor. He served at the First Sergeant Academy for Air University until 2021, when he retired after 23 years of service. In latter 2020, while still on active duty until latter 2023, Mr. Lawrence opened Provisions Cheese and Wine Shoppe, which became the largest cheese shop in Alabama, and was listed on the Top-100 fastest growing businesses in Alabama. However, wanting to get back to educating and instructing, in latter 2023 he sold his portion of ownership to friends and came back to Air University after a year-break to care for family. Mr. Lawrence started as a contractor with C2 Technologies partnered with Air University in June of 2024.

## EDUCATION

2009 Assoc. of Applied Science, Electronic Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Ala.

2016 Bachelors of Science, Multidisciplinary Studies, Summa Cum Laude, Grantham University, Kansas City, Mo.

2016 Certification in Business Leadership, Grantham University, Kansas City, Mo.

2017 Professional Managers Certification, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.

2017 Assoc. of Applied Science, Human Resource Management, Community College of the Air Force Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.

2019 Air Force Academic Instructor Course, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2019 Master Resilience Trainer Course, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2019 Air Force Basic Mediation Course, Air Force Negotiation Center, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

## **CAREER CHRONOLOGY**

1. July 98 – August 98, Basic Military Training, 323rd Training Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. August 98 – February 99, Air Traffic Control Apprentice, 334th Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Miss.
3. February 99 – September 00, Air Traffic Control Apprentice, 47th Operations Support Squadron, Laughlin AFB, Texas
4. September 00 – June 03, Deployable Communications (Comm) Journeyman, 615th Air Mobility Operations Squadron, Travis AFB, Calif. (June 01 – August 01, Airborne Specialized Maintenance Comm Expert, Prince Sultan Air Base (AB), Saudi Arabia, May 00 – July 00, Pattaya Province, Thailand, August 00 – November 00, August 01 – October 01, and September 02 – November 02, OPERATION Deep Freeze, Christchurch, New Zealand & McMurdo Station, Antarctica)
5. June 03 – July 04, Satellite Comm Journeyman, 604th Air Support Operations Squadron, Camp Red Cloud, Korea
6. July 04 – July 06, Assist. Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge (NCOIC) Military Strategic and Tactical Relay (MILSTAR), 60th Comm Squadron, Travis AFB, Calif.
7. July 06 – May 07, Satellite Comm Maintenance, Joint Comm Support Element, MacDill AFB, Fla.
8. May 07 – November 08, NCOIC Hyperspectral Imagery Laboratory, Air Force Research Laboratory, Hanscom AB, Mass. (April 08 – September 08, Project AngelFire, Ground Sensor NCOIC, Camp Fallujah, Iraq)
9. November 08 – July 10, Satellite, Wideband and Telemetry Systems Craftsman, 4th Space Control Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M. (October 09 – December 12, Specialized Maintenance Expert, Bagram Air Field, Afghanistan)
10. July 10 – July 12, NCOIC Quality Assurance, 4th Space Control Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
11. January 13 – December 15, Superintendent Weapons Storage and Security Systems, 52nd Munitions Maintenance Group, Operating Location Ramstein, Germany
12. December 15 – December 16, First Sergeant, 691st Cyberspace Operations Squadron, the 460th Space Comm Squadron, Detachment (Det.) 4, the 690th Network Security Squadron, Det. 1, and the 83rd Network Operations Squadron, Det. 4, Ramstein AB, Germany
13. December 16 – October 17, First Sergeant, 435th Security Forces Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany (February-Sep 17, First Sergeant, 724th Expeditionary Air Base Squadron, Agadez, Niger)
14. October 17 – June 19, First Sergeant, 721st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
15. June 19 – October 2021, Instructor, Air Force First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
16. October 2021, Retired, Honorable Discharge
17. October 2020 – May 2023, Owner and Chief Executive Officer, Provisions Cheese and Wine Shoppe LLC, Wetumpka, Ala.
18. September 2017 – Current, Freelance Writer, Wetumpka, Ala.
19. June 2024 – Current, Instructional System Designer, C2 Technologies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal, three oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Commendation Medal, three oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Achievement Medal, with oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Recognition Ribbon

## **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2009 – NCO of the Year, 21st Space Wing  
2009 – Chief Scientist, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Team and Individual Awards  
2009 – 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year Nominee, 21st Space Wing  
2011 – Distinguished Graduate, Non-Commissioned Officers Academy  
2012 – NCO of the Year, 21st Space Wing  
2014 – SNCO of the Year, Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center  
2014 – Lance P. Sijan Award, Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center  
2015 – Lance P. Sijan Award, 52nd Munitions Maintenance Group  
2015 – SNCO of the Year, 52nd Munitions Maintenance Group  
2016 – First Sergeant of the Year, 690th Cyberspace Operations Group  
2017 – Medal of Merit, Air Force Association  
2018 – Exceptional Service Award, Air Force Association  
2019 – Chairman's Citation, Air Force Association  
2019 – First Sergeant of the Year, 721st Air Mobility Operations Group

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Air Force Association  
Veterans of Foreign War

**(Current as of July 2024)**