



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL BARBRA S. BULS

Colonel Barbra S. Buls is the Maintenance Group commander for the 155th Air Refueling Wing, Nebraska Air National Guard. The wing contributes to the Air Force Global Reach mission by supporting U.S. and allied military forces worldwide with aerial refueling and transportation of passengers and cargo.

Col. Buls enlisted in the South Dakota Air National Guard in 1986, attaining the rank of staff sergeant. She was commissioned in 1992, through the Air National Guard Academy of Military Science. Col. Buls is a senior aircraft maintenance officer with more than 18 years of experience in KC-135 and F-16 maintenance organizations. A graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, her staff assignments include the Air National Guard Director's Action Group and the Air National Guard Readiness Center Human Resources Director.

Her civilian experience includes more than 19 years of executive leadership and management in the health insurance industry. In her current civilian assignment, as the BlueCross BlueShield of Nebraska Organizational Development Director, Col. Buls, a Six Sigma Black Belt, is responsible for identifying and leading enterprise level strategic initiatives.



Col. Buls is married to retired Lt. Col. Richard (Dick) Corzine, and has one son, Max, a high school Senior. Col. Buls and her family reside in Omaha, Neb.

EDUCATION:

- 1988 Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory Course, John Levitow Honor Graduate, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.
- 1990 Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Accounting, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Neb.
- 1997 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2004 Air Command and Staff College (correspondence)
- 2010 Master of Science in National Resource Strategy, Industrial College/Armed Forces, Ft. McNair, D.C.
- 2012 National Security Fellow, National Security Management, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Jun 1986 – Aug 1986, Honor Graduate, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. Aug 1986 – Dec 1986, Student, Ground Radio Operator Course, Offutt AFB, Neb.
3. Dec 1986 – Jun 1992, Ground Radio Operator, Communications Squadron, 114th Tactical Fighter Wing, South Dakota Air National Guard, Joe Foss Field, S.D.
4. Jun 1992 – Jul 1992, Student, Air National Guard Academy of Military Science, McGhee-Tyson Air National Guard Base, Knoxville, Tenn.
5. Jul 1992 - Apr 1993, OIC, Munitions Maintenance, 114th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, South Dakota ANG, Joe Foss Field, S.D.
6. Apr 1993 – Jul 1993, Student, Aircraft Maintenance and Munitions Officer Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas

7. Jul 1993 – Feb 1994, OIC, Munitions Maintenance, 114th Consolidated Aircraft Squadron, South Dakota ANG, Joe Foss Field, S.D.
8. Mar 1994 – Jun 1997, OIC, Equipment Maintenance Flight, 114th Maintenance Squadron, South Dakota ANG, Joe Foss Field, S.D.

ASSIGNMENTS Cont.:

9. Jul 1997 – Jul 1999, OIC, Organizational Maintenance, 114th Aircraft Generation Squadron, South Dakota ANG, Joe Foss Field, S.D.
10. Jul 1999 – Apr 2006, Maintenance Officer, 155th Aircraft Generation Squadron/Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Nebraska Air National Guard, Lincoln, Neb.
11. Apr 2006 – Jul 2009, Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Commander, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, Neb.
12. Aug 2009 – Jun 2010, Student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ft. McNair, D.C.
13. Jun 2010 – Jul 2010, Action Officer, Joint Officer Management, J1, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Va.
14. Aug 2010 – Jun 2011, Staff Fellow, Director's Action Group, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Va.
15. Jul 2011 – Sep 2012, Director, Human Resources, Air National Guard Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Md.
16. Oct 2012 - Present, Maintenance Group Commander, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Nebraska Air National Guard, Lincoln, Neb.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Meritorious Unit Award
Air Force Outstanding Unit award with two oak leaf clusters
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border and oak leaf cluster
USAF NCO PME Graduate Ribbon
Basic Military Training Honor Graduate Ribbon
Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	30 July 1992
First Lieutenant	10 September 1994
Captain	5 October 1996
Major	14 October 2000
Lieutenant Colonel	2 April 2006
Colonel	8 June 2011

(Current as of March 2013)