

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL MICHAEL J. BRUNO

Brig. Gen. Michael J. Bruno is the Director of Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Colorado. In this role, Brig. Gen. Bruno directly supervises the Joint Staff and is the commander of the standing Joint Task Force-Centennial, responsible for leading the Colorado National Guard's response to domestic events, as directed by the Governor. Additionally, he directs the Colorado National Guard's specified partnerships, including those with the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the Republic of Slovenia.

General Bruno began his military career by enlisting in the Nebraska Air National Guard in May 1985. He transferred to the Colorado Air National Guard in May 1991 and attained the rank of Master Sergeant. He received his commission through the Air National Guard's Academy of Military Science in 1998. His initial assignment was as the Executive Officer for the 137th Space Warning Squadron. He later transitioned to Operations as a Space and Missile Warning Officer and Chief of Operations Training. General Bruno has commanded twice at both the Squadron and Group levels, the last as the Commander of the 233d Space Group, Greeley Air National Guard Station, Greeley, Colorado. Prior to his current position, General Bruno was the Chief of Staff – Air, Colorado Air National Guard, Buckley Space Force Base. Colorado.



In his civilian capacity, General Bruno serves as the Deputy Executive Director for the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and acts as the primary deputy to The Adjutant General for all State matters.

EDUCATION

1997 Bachelors of Science in Business Administration, Summa Cum Laude, Columbia College, Aurora, Colo.

1998 Academy of Military Science, distinguished graduate, Knoxville, Tenn.

2004 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence

2010 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2015 Air War College, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. September 1998 April 2002; Executive Officer, 137th Space Warning Squadron, Greeley ANGS, Colo.
- 2. April 2002 July 2005; Space and Missile Warning Officer, 137th Space Warning Squadron, Greeley ANGS, Colo.
- 3. July 2005 July 2006; Chief, Operations Training, 137th Space Warning Squadron, Greeley ANGS, Colo.
- 4. July 2006 February 2008; Commander, 140th Mission Support Flight, Buckley AFB, Colo.
- 5. February 2008 January 2010; Commander, 140th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Buckley AFB, Colo.
- 6. January 2010 March 2011; Commander, 140th Force Support Squadron, Buckley AFB, Colo.

(November 2010 - May 2011; Director of Operations, 467th Expeditionary Support Squadron, Southwest Asia)

- 7. March 2011 March 2014; Deputy Commander, 140th Mission Support Group, Buckley AFB, Colo.
- 8. March 2014 December 2014; Director, Manpower and Personnel (J1) Joint Forces Headquarters Colorado, Centennial. Colo.
- 9. December 2014 May 2017; Commander, 140th Mission Support Group, Buckley AFB, Colo.
- 10. May 2017 June 2020; Commander, 233d Space Group, Greeley ANGS, Colo.
- 11. June 2020 October 2022; Chief of Joint Staff, Joint Forces Headquarters Colorado, Centennial, Colo.
- 12. October 2022 December 2022; Deputy Chief of Staff, Headquarters Colorado Air National Guard, Buckley SFB, Colo.

- 13. Dec 2022 September 2023; Chief of Staff, Headquarters Colorado Air National Guard, Buckley SFB, Colo.
- 14. September 2023 present; Director of Joint Staff, Joint Forces Headquarters Colorado, Centennial, Colo.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air and Space Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Unit Award

Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with eight oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Organizational Excellence Award

Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with eleven oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal with service star

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal

Air and Space Overseas Service Ribbon Short

Air and Space Expeditionary Service Ribbon with gold border

Air and Space Longevity Service Award with nine oak leaf clusters

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with three hourglass devices and "M" device

USAF NCO PME Graduate Ribbon with oak leaf cluster

Basic Military Training Honor Graduate Ribbon

Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Rifle)

Air and Space Training Ribbon with oak leaf cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Sep. 24, 1998 First Lieutenant Sep. 24, 2000 Captain Oct. 6, 2002 Major Oct. 15, 2006 Lieutenant Colonel Aug. 30, 2011 Colonel Aug. 6, 2017

Brigadier General Dec. 12, 2022

(Current as of Sept 2023)