



# Biography

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**Christopher James Barrett (Chris)**  
**Executive Director**  
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Mr. Barrett serves as the Executive Director for the U.S. Army Operational Evaluation Command, in the Army Test & Evaluation Command, leading more than 900 Civilian, Military, and Contractor employees to complete tests, leverage non-test events, and publish evaluations that support Army Modernization, Department of War Acquisition, and operational decisions. In previous roles, Mr. Barrett served as the Executive Director for the Army Evaluation Center in the Army Test & Evaluation Command; the Director for Materiel Systems Analysis in the Army Future Command's Data and Analysis Center; the Technical Director for the Army Materiel Command's Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity; and the Social Security Administration's Associate Commissioner for Information Technology Financial Management and Support. Mr. Barrett is a Distinguished Military Graduate of Rutgers University, where he received a Regular Army commission, and served 12 years with deployments to Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Safe Removal, Sustain Liberty, and Visible Presence. Upon resigning his commission in 2000, Mr. Barrett continued to serve as a Department of the Army Civilian, and with the Social Security Administration.

## **CAREER CHRONOLOGY:**

- 2019 – 2026: Executive Director, Army Evaluation Center, ATEC
- 2018 – 2019: Director, Materiel Analysis, Data Analysis Center, AFC
- 2017 – 2018: Technical Director, Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity, AMC
- 2016 – 2017: Associate Commissioner, IT Financial Management and Support, SSA
- 2014 – 2016: Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program, SSA
- 2013 – 2014: Technical Director, Mounted Systems Evaluation Directorate, AEC
- 2010 – 2013: Technical Director, Sustainment Evaluation Directorate, AEC
- 2003 – 2010: Division Chief, Maneuver Ground Evaluation Directorate, AEC
- 2000 – 2003: Operations Research Analyst, Close Combat Evaluation Directorate, AEC
- 1997 – 2000: Military Evaluator, Sustainment Evaluation Directorate, AEC
- 1995 – 1996: Commander, 437<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company (Combat Support), FORSCOM
- 1992 – 1995: Provost Marshal, Chemical and Biological Defense Command, AMC
- 1989 – 1991: Chemical Officer and Assistant S-3, 4-32 Armor, 3rd Armored Division

**COLLEGE:**

- ME, Systems Engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology
- BA, Economics, Rutgers University

**SIGNIFICANT TRAINING:**

- Building Systems Thinking Strategies and Organizational Resilience in the AI-Augmented Environment, Vanderbilt University School of Engineering
- Army Data Driven Leadership (Executive Course), Carnegie Mellon University
- Leading Data and AI Enabled Organizations, Naval Postgraduate School
- Army Data Driven Leadership, Carnegie Mellon University
- Army Leadership Excellence and Development (LEAD), Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina
- Understanding Defense Industry, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina
- Leadership Coaching for Organizational Performance, American University
- Adaptive Planning and Execution (APEX) Senior Executive Service Orientation, DoD
- Force Integration/Management Course for Senior Leaders, Army Force Management School
- Army Senior Executive Education Program, Darden School of Business, University of Virginia
- Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program, Social Security Administration
- One Leadership One Voice, University of Maryland Baltimore County
- Foundations of Real Estate, BOMA International
- Congressional Operations, Government Affairs Institute, Georgetown University
- Senior Executive Fellows, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
- Senior Leadership Program (APG COHORT 6), Office of Personnel Management
- Executive Refresher Course (ACQ 405), Defense Acquisition University
- Leading in Ambiguity, Center for Creative Leadership
- Combined Arms Services and Staff Officer Course (CAS3), United States Army
- Air Assault Course, United States Army
- Combating Terrorism on Military Installations, United States Army
- Military Police Officer Advanced Course, United States Army
- Chemical Officer Basic Course, United States Army
- Airborne School, United States Army
- Advanced Individual Training, United States Army
- Army Basic Training, United States Army

**CERTIFICATIONS:**

- Test and Evaluation Level III Certification, Defense Acquisition University
- Program Management Level I Certification, Defense Acquisition University
- Engineering Level I Certification, Defense Acquisition University

**AWARDS AND HONORS:**

- Meritorious Civilian Service Medal (2019)
- Commander's Award for Civilian Service (2004, 2008, 2010, 2010)
- Army Test and Evaluation Command Employee of the Year (2003)
- Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal with three Bronze Service Stars, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Saudi Arabian Kuwait Liberation Medal w/Palm device, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Valorous Unit Award, Army Superior Unit Award, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge