



BIOGRAPHY

AIR FORCE OPERATIONAL TEST & EVALUATION CENTER

COLONEL JOHN P. WAGEMANN JR.

Colonel John Wagemann is the Commander of Detachment 6, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., and Director, F-35 U.S. Operational Test Team. AFOTEC's Detachment 6 plans, conducts, and reports on realistic, objective, and impartial operational test and evaluation of fighter aircraft. The detachment evaluates the operational effectiveness, suitability, and mission capability of the F-35, F-22, F-15C/E, F-16, and A-10, and reports results in support of major acquisition program milestone decisions and combatant command fielding decisions.

Prior to assuming his current role, Colonel Wagemann was the Operations Officer of the Nuclear Strike Branch, in the Nuclear Operations Division of the Joint Staff, J-36. While there he worked closely on integrating nuclear and conventional plans, as well as acting as Deputy Director for Operations on the Pentagon Watch Floor. His previous command experience was also at Nellis AFB, Nev., where he led the 57th Operations Support Squadron supporting flying missions across the base.



Colonel Wagemann received his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 2001 earning a bachelor's degree in aeronautical engineering. He is a command pilot with more than 1,600 flying hours and a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Weapons School. His prior flying assignments include multiple operational tours at Langley AFB, VA.; teaching at the F-22 Formal Training Unit at Tyndall AFB, Fla.; and operational test at Nellis AFB, Nev.

EDUCATION:

- 2001 Bachelor of Science in aeronautical engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.
- 2012 Master of Arts in Theological Studies, Liberty University, Va.
- 2014 Masters of Military Operational Art and Science, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. May 2001 – March 2003, student pilot, Laughlin AFB, Texas
2. March 2003 – November 2003, F-15C student pilot, 2nd Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
3. November 2003 – December 2005, Assistant Training Officer, 94th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
4. December 2005 – November 2006, Flight Commander, 71st Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
5. November 2006 – September 2008, F-22 Safety Officer, 27th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
6. September 2008 – January 2010, F-22 Instructor Pilot, 43rd Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
7. January 2010 – June 2010, student, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, 433rd Fighter Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. June 2010 – July 2012, Chief of Weapons and Tactics, 94th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
9. July 2012 – August 2013, Director of Operations, Chief of Wing Weapons and Tactics, 1st Operations Support Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
10. August 2013 – August 2014, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
11. August 2014 – July 2015, Director of Operations, 422nd Test and Evaluation Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
12. July 2015 – May 2017, Director of Operations, 414th Combat Training Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
13. May 2017 – July 2019, Commander, 57th Operations Support Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
14. July 2019 – June 2020, student, Georgia Institute of Technology Fellowship, Atlanta, Ga.

15. June 2020 – July 2021 Chief of International Air Superiority Programs, Secretary of the Air Force for International Affairs, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
16. July 2021 – July 2022, Deputy Director, Joint Service Tactical Training, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
17. July 2022 – June 2023, Operations Officer, Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, J3/J36 Nuclear Operations Division, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
18. June 2023 – present, Commander, Detachment 6, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot

Flying Hours: More than 1,600

Aircraft Flown: F-22 and F-15C

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	May 30, 2001
First Lieutenant	May 30, 2003
Captain	May 30, 2005
Major	Feb. 1, 2011
Lieutenant Colonel	May 1, 2016
Colonel	April 1, 2022