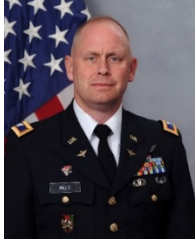




COL James C. Mills
Project Manager
Precision Fires Rocket and Missile Systems



COL James “Chris” Mills, is a native of Bryson City, North Carolina. He entered the Tennessee Army National Guard in 1990 as part of the simultaneous membership program. He was later commissioned into the active Army Aviation Branch in 1993 following graduation from the University of Tennessee. COL Mills holds a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. In 2003, he earned a Master’s Degree in Aviation Systems from the University of Tennessee.

His military education includes the Aviation Officer Basic Course, the U.S. Army Rotary Wing Aviator Course, the Army Airborne School, the Army Air Assault School, the Aviation Officer Advanced Course, the UH-60 Qualification and Maintenance Test Pilot Course, the Combined Arms and Services Staff School (CAS³), the Army Command and General Staff College and the Program Manager’s Course. COL Mills is a Senior Army Aviator, a member of the Army Acquisition Corps, and Level III certified in Program Management.

Prior to serving in the acquisition corps, COL Mills held multiple operational assignments at the Battalion and Brigade Level, to include: service in the 5-501st Attack Helicopter Battalion, Republic of Korea as the Class III/V Support Platoon Leader, Flight Platoon Leader; 6-101st Aviation Battalion, Assistant S3; 101st Aviation Brigade, and Company Commander, D/1-214th Aviation Regiment, Heidelberg Germany.

His acquisition assignments include the Directorate of Combat Developments at the U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence, Ft. Rucker; the Army Contracting Command; and the Defense Contract Management Agency. His Program Executive Office, Aviation assignments include Assistant Product Manager Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter Program and Product Manager Armed Reconnaissance Helicopters. COL Mills became the Project Manager for Precision Fires Rocket and Missile Systems in June 2015. PM PFRMS manages the Multiple Launch Rocket System family of launchers, including the tracked M270A1 and the wheeled M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket System. The Project Office also manages the MLRS Family of Munitions, which includes the basic and extended-range free flight rockets, multiple increments of the Guided MLRS rocket, and several versions of the Army Tactical Missile System.

COL Mills’ awards and decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the NATO Medal, the Senior Army Aviator Badge, the Parachutist Badge, the Air Assault Badge, the Order of St. Michael (Bronze), and the Honorable Order of St. Barbara.

COL Mills is married to the former Jennifer Killian of Chattanooga, Tennessee. They reside in Huntsville, AL with their children.