

Rear Admiral Randolph L. Mahr

Deputy Program Executive Officer
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Rear Adm. Mahr was born in Elizabeth, N.J., and was designated a naval flight officer in 1984. His current flag assignment is deputy program executive officer and deputy program director for the Department of Defense's first 5th generation manned fighter aircraft program, the F-35 Lightning II.

His early operational assignments as an A-6E Intruder bombardier/navigator included tours with the VA-95 Green Lizards and the VA-115 Eagles. He also served as a tactics instructor at the Medium Attack Weapons School, Pacific.

He has served in numerous acquisition billets, including test and evaluation manager and chief engineer for the Joint Standoff Weapon, deputy program manager for a joint Navy-Air Force research program and chief of staff for the Program Executive Officer, Tactical Aircraft Programs. He was the first naval officer to serve as vice commandant, Air Force Institute of Technology.

He served in command as program manager (PMA-231) for the E-2 Hawkeye and C-2 Greyhound aircraft programs and program manager (PMA-251) for the Aircraft Launch and Recovery Equipment used aboard Navy and Coast Guard ships and Marine Corps expeditionary airfields.

His previous flag officer assignments include commander, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division and assistant commander for Research and Engineering, Naval Air Systems Command.

Mahr graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1983 with a BS in Systems Engineering, and received an MS in Aerospace Engineering 'with distinction' from the Naval Postgraduate School in 2001. During his career he has received several personal and unit awards, and other professional recognitions.