



# BIOGRAPHY

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

## **COLONEL OMAR A. PEREA**

Col Omar A. Perea is Chief of Innovation and Prototyping for Operations Location, El Paso, Texas and the Individual Mobilization Augmentee for the Program Executive Officer for Battle Management Command, Control and Communications, Space Systems Command, at Los Angeles Air Force Base, California. In his Chief role, he works to establish partnerships and locations conducive to the missions of Space Systems Command. In his IMA role, he augments the Executive Officer's responsibilities of approving program strategies, delivering programs to meet warfighter needs, and engaging with Headquarters United States Space Force, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and other Departments and Agencies.

Previously, Col Perea was the Deputy Director of the Warfighting Integration Office, Space Systems Command, at Los Angeles Air Force Base, California. As Deputy Director, he worked to establish the new office, its foundational processes, and working relationships between the Combatant Commands and Space Systems Command. Prior to this, he was the Commander, 19 Space Operations Squadron, Schriever Space Force Base, Colorado, where he led a 118-member squadron in operating and modernizing the nation's Global Positioning System satellite constellation.

Col Perea commission from Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama in 2002. He has served in a variety of operations, planning and training leadership positions within the Air Force, Space Force, and the Reserve. His assignments include Congressional Liaison, Deputy Operations Group Commander, Strategy Plans Deputy Division Chief, Air Operations Center/Joint Space Operations Center Battle Watch Commander, Satellite Operations Instructor, Satellite Vehicle Command and Control Operator, and Satellite Vehicle Engineering Officer.

### **EDUCATION**

2001 Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM  
2001 Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM  
2003 Aerospace Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, AL  
2010 Squadron Officer School by correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL  
2011 Masters of Arts, Counseling Psychology, Pacifica Graduate Institute, Carpinteria, CA  
2014 Space 200, NSSI, Peterson AFB, CO  
2014 Space 300, NSSI, Peterson AFB, CO  
2016 Air Command and Staff College by correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL  
2019 US Army Command and General Staff College in residence, Fort Leavenworth, KS  
2022 Air War College by correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Dec 2002 – May 2003, Satellite Vehicle Operator Training, Vandenberg AFB, CA
2. May 2003 – May 2006, DSCS III Satellite Vehicle Operator, Weapons Officer, Engineering Officer, 3d Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, CO
3. May 2006 – May 2009, Satellite Operations Instructor, 533d Training Squadron, Vandenberg AFB, CA
4. Jun 2009 – Dec 2012, Force Enhancement Duty Officer, Alpha Crew Commander, 9th Space Operations Squadron, Vandenberg AFB CA
5. Dec 2012 – Nov 2017, Strategist, Battle Watch Commander, Deputy Division Chief, Strategy Plans Division, 9th Combat Operations Squadron, JFCC Space, Vandenberg AFB CA
6. Nov 2016 – Jun 2018, Legislative Liaison, Senate Liaison Office, Capitol Hill, Washington DC
7. July 2019 – Sep 2020, Deputy Commander, 926 Operations Group, Nellis AFB, NV
8. Sep 2020 – May 2022, Commander, 19th Space Operations Squadron, Schriever SFB, CO

- 9. May 2022 – Nov 2022, Deputy Director, Warfighting Integration Office, Space Systems Command, Los Angeles AFB, CA
- 10. Nov 2022 – Present, IMA to PEO for BMC3, Space Systems Command, Los Angeles AFB CA
- 11. Mar 2023 – Present, Chief Innovation and Prototyping, Operations Location El Paso, TX.

## **EXERCISES**

- 2010 Global Thunder/Lighting; JSpOC Force Enhancement Duty Officer, VAFB CA
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- 2011 Blue Flag; JSpOC white cell; DMOC-S, Schriever AFB CO
- 2012 TERMINAL FURY; PACOM J3 JOC SPACE LNO, Camp Smith HI
- 2013/2015 Global Thunder/Lighting; JSpOC Strategist, VAFB CA
- 2014 Red Flag; JSpOC Subject Matter Expert, Nellis AFB NV
- 2014 Blue Flag; AOC COD Space Cell Lead, Ramstein AFB, Germany
- 2015/2016 Global Thunder/Lighting; JFCC Strategist, JSpOC Battle Watch Commander, VAFB CA
- 2016 Schriever Wargame; Space Coalition Collaboration Chair, Maxwell AL/Garmisch Germany

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

- Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Joint Service Achievement medal with one oak leaf cluster
- Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- 310 SW Squadron of the Year (2020)
- AFA FGO of the Year (2015)
- 533d Officer Instructor of the Year (2007)
- Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award (2006)

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

- Second Lieutenant, Jun 28, 2002
- First Lieutenant, Jun 28, 2004
- Captain, Jun 28, 2006
- Major, Mar 14, 2012
- Lieutenant Col, Aug 1, 2018
- Colonel, May 1, 2024
- (Current as of 10 Jan 2025)*