

Garry P. Bishop Deputy Director, Land and Expeditionary Warfare Director, Operational Test and Evaluation Office of the Secretary of Defense

After a multi-decade career of service to the nation, Mr. Garry P. Bishop was promoted to the Senior Executive Service in December 2022 and appointed DOT&E Deputy Director for Land and Expeditionary Warfare. In this capacity, he is responsible for the oversight and adequacy of operational test and evaluation for land force capabilities, including ground vehicles and platforms, rotary-wing aviation, tactical unmanned aerial systems, command, control and communications systems, force protection systems, and artillery, mortars and missiles.

Mr. Bishop was commissioned at the United States Military Academy in May 1985 as a lieutenant in Armor. During his 27 years of distinguished Army service, he held numerous key assignments, including: Armored Company Commander during Operation Desert Shield / Desert Storm; Executive Officer, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division; Commander, 1-37 Armor Regiment during its 15-month Operation Iraqi Freedom deployment in Baghdad and Karbala; and Aide de Camp, United States Security Coordinator, Israel-Palestinian Authority (later, Deputy Commander, U.S. European Command). These critical experiences continue to inform his warfighter-centric approach to operational test and evaluation.

Following his retirement in the grade of colonel, Mr. Bishop chose to continue supporting national defense by joining DOT&E as a civilian military analyst and interdisciplinary engineer. During his 10 years in this position, Mr. Bishop was responsible for the evaluation of most land-based ground combat systems. He also led development of a new Department of Defense Instruction for test and evaluation, which encompasses developmental, operational, and integrated test and evaluation. In addition, he developed DOD's Test and Evaluation Guidebook and was instrumental in crafting the 2022 DOT&E Strategy Update and its implementation plan.

Mr. Bishop is a native of Philadelphia. He holds a Bachelor of Science from the United States Military Academy, a master's degree in industrial engineering from New Mexico State University, and a Master of National Security Strategies from the National Defense University. His many awards and decorations include the Presidential Unit Citation, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal with Valor Device, the Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Ribbon with three Bronze Stars, the Iraq Campaign Medal with two Bronze Stars, and the National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star.