



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN R. SCOTT

Lt Col John “Clench” Scott is the Commander, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 915, West Virginia University (WVU), Morgantown, West Virginia. He commands a diverse unit of officer, enlisted, and a university employee to recruit, train, and develop officers for the United States Air Force and United States Space Force. His cadet corps consists of 79 cadets, the sixth largest detachment in the Northeast Region. He holds the title of full professor and Department Chair of Aerospace Studies at WVU.

Lt Col Scott previously served as the 80th Operations Support Squadron Commander at Sheppard AFB, TX, leading a squadron of 550 personnel that maintained the busiest joint-use airfield and airspace in the command while managing all student pilots in the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training program, including fourteen NATO nations.

Lt Col Scott commissioned in Aug 2003 after graduating from The Ohio State University. In 2005, he earned his pilot wings from Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance Air Force Base, Oklahoma. In his previous assignments Lt Col Scott served as Flight Commander, 560th Flying Training Squadron, Chief of Squadron Scheduling, 37th Bomb Squadron, Ellsworth AFB and Executive Officer, 12 Operations Group, Randolph AFB. He is a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and Air War College by correspondence.



Lt Col Scott is a command pilot with more than 3,100 flying hours, including 564 combat hours in the B-1, T-37, T-6, and T-38C. His combat experience includes Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation New Dawn. Previously, Lt Col Scott served as the Military Deputy Chief of the Air Force’s Global Precision Attack (GPA) Core Function Team, Langley, Virginia. In this capacity, he led fiscal Planning and Programming for the Air Force’s largest combat portfolio including the A-10, F-15E, F-16, and F-35 weapon systems.

EDUCATION

2003 Bachelor of Arts, Aviation Management, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio
2008 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2009 Master of Aeronautical Science, Embry Riddle Worldwide University
2012 Air Command and Staff College, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence.
2016 Army Command and General Staff College, Combined Arms Center, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
2022 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 2004 – April 2005, Student, Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance AFB, Okla.
2. April 2005 – September 2008, T-6 Instructor Pilot and Assistant Flight Commander, 8th Flying Training Squadron, Vance AFB, Okla.

3. September 2008 – January 2010, B-1B Training, 28th Bomb Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
4. January 2010 – December 2012, Chief of Scheduling, Executive Officer, 37th Bomb Squadron, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
5. December 2012 – March 2014, T-38C Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, 560th Flying Training Squadron, JBSA-Randolph, Texas
6. March 2014 – June 2015, Executive Officer, 12th Operations Group, JBSA-Randolph, Texas
7. June 2015 – June 2016, Student, Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
8. June 2016 – June 2018, Strategic Planning Chief and Military Deputy Chief, ACC/A589, Global Precision Attack Core Function Team, JBLE-Langley, Va.
9. June 2018 – May 2020, Director of Operations, T-38 Instructor Pilot, 469th Flying Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
10. May 2020 – May 2022, Commander, 80th Operations Support Squadron, Air Education and Training Command, Sheppard AFB, Texas
11. May 2022 – Present, Commander, AFROTC Detachment 915, West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: more than 3,100

Aircraft flown: B-1B, T-38C, T-6A, and T37B

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Sept. 12, 2003

First Lieutenant Sept. 12, 2005

Captain Sept. 12, 2007

Major Dec. 1, 2013

Lieutenant Colonel Aug. 1, 2018

(Current as of July 2022)