



# **U.S. Army Contracting Command**

## **Melanie Johnson, Executive Director**

### **Army Contracting Command-Rock Island, Ill.**

Melanie Johnson is the Executive Director and Principal Assistant Responsible for Contracting for the Army Contracting Command-Rock Island, a major contracting center of the U.S. Army Contracting Command. She serves as the center's senior civilian procurement authority, supporting the total contracting requirements of diverse customers including the U.S. Army Sustainment Command; the Joint Munitions and Lethality Life Cycle Management Command; the Program Executive Office-Enterprise Information Systems; the U.S. Central Command Joint Theater Support Contracting Command; the Surface Deployment and Distribution Command; and the Office of the Program Manager-Saudi Arabian National Guard.



In this position, she advises the commanding generals and executive directors of supported commands and activities on the total contracting process. She is responsible for staff supervision and management of major contracting areas including ammunition, installations, chemical demilitarization, the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program, Army prepositioned stocks, reachback for Southwest Asia, and contract support staff, having oversight of more than 500 people and in excess of \$70 billion worth of contracts.

Prior to becoming the ACC-RI Executive Director, Ms. Johnson served as the Director of Field Support Contracting, ACC-RI, where she led approximately 200 contracting professionals executing actions in the Sustainment, Reachback, and Logistics Civil Augmentation Program Contracting divisions, as well as the Enhanced Army Global Logistics Enterprise Contracting Office.

Ms. Johnson has more than 32 years of acquisition experience including service as the Chief, ACC-RI Installation Contracting Division, August 2009-December 2010; Army Sustainment Command Executive Officer, October 2008-July 2009; and as Chief, Propellants, Explosives and Artillery Contracting Branch, May 2005-October 2008. She has also held various procuring contracting officer and source selection assignments for the execution and management of facilities use and production contracts for conventional ammunition produced at commercial facilities, government-owned contractor operated installations, and government-owned government-operated installations; as well as non-standard ammunition for foreign military sales in support of Afghan and Iraq missions.

Ms. Johnson graduated from Western Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in Liberal Arts. She earned a master's in Business Administration from the University of Iowa. She is an Army Acquisition Corps member, Level III certified in contracting, and Level I certified in program management. She is a graduate of the Brookings Institute Leadership Training program and the first ASC Journey to Leadership Tier III program. Ms. Johnson is also the recipient of the Ordnance Order of Samuel Sharpe award and Commander's Award for Civilian Service.

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