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Mr. Michael Gomes has been working at ACC-APG since 2013 in a various roles. He started his career as a Contracting Specialist Intern in Division A, primarily doing Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation (RDT&E). He was in Division A for 2 years, before graduating the intern program and moving to Division B to support Project Manager Tactical Radios (PM TR) under Program Executive Office Command, Control, Communications - Tactical (PEO-C3T). There, he worked his way up through the ranks, serving as a Contract Specialist, Contracting Officer/Agreements Officer, and eventually Branch Chief. In November 2022 he moved to Division E to assume the role of Division Chief and Chief of the Contracting Office (COCO). In October of 2023 he was assigned to

Division C to assume the role Division Chief and COCO, supporting PEO Intelligence, Electronic Warfare & Sensors (PEO IEW&A) and PEO Missiles and Space.

He is a member of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Strategy and Acquisition Reform) (DASA(SAR)) Intellectual Property IPT. The DASA(SAR) IP IPT is in the process of rewriting the Army Source Selection Supplement to add IP considerations, as well as drafting an authoritative new Army Regulation and accompanying DA PAM on IP. He also serves as AMC Commanding General's main point of contact for the "Lifecycle Sustainment Strategies for Items Developed Exclusively at Private Expense Guide".

Mr. Gomes has nearly 15 years of government experience and is a member of the Army Acquisition Corps. He is a graduate of the University of Alaska Fairbanks with a Bachelors of Business Administration (2009) and a Masters of Business Administration (MBA), with a concentration in Capital Markets (2012). Mr. Gomes is currently working to complete his certificate in Management and Leadership from the Executive Program at the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia and is also a candidate for the Masters of Studies in Law (MSL) degree: Concentration in Government Procurement Law from The George Washington University Law School, with an expected graduation in Spring 2024.

Mr. Gomes has served on multiple source selections in various capacities and is considered one of the premier subject matter experts on contracting for sustainment in Army acquisition. His awards include a Department of the Army Superior Civilian Service Award; Top Ten Outstanding Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, & Reconnaissance (C4ISR) Personnel of the Year 2016; two Department of the Army Commander's Awards for Civilian Service; and multiple Senior (SES) and General Officer (GO) notes of appreciation.