



Biography

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CW5 Robert Byrd is the Senior Engineer and Chief Technology Advisor to the CIO/J6 for United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM). He coordinates C5ISR engineering efforts that support Special Operations Forces (SOF) and SOCOM missions worldwide. CW5 Byrd advises across all technology areas to shape both current and future SOF tactical and enterprise capabilities. He steers development efforts of next generation solutions to align with SOF mission areas and meet emerging requirements. CW5 Byrd drives digital transformation and innovation across multiple SOF technology portfolios.



CW5 Byrd enlisted in the Army in 1993 as an Army Satellite Communications (SATCOM) Operator and was appointed as a Warrant Officer in 2002. He has held varying Army, Joint, and SOF assignments. CW5 Byrd has deployed to Operations Iraqi Freedom, Inherent Resolve and other operations within the CENTCOM and AFRICOM AOR. He served as a forward Task Force J6, Deputy J6 and forward deployed communication planning and action officer in charge. CW5 Byrd has also directly supported readiness, humanitarian, stability and civil support operations within the SOUTHCOM, AFRICOM, EUCOM, and PACOM areas of responsibility. Additionally, he has spent months underway aboard the USS Blue Ridge, Mount Whitney, San Antonio and New York.

He currently holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Networks and a Master of Science in Information Technology.