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Ms. Renata Spinks currently serves as the Assistant IT Director/Deputy CIO of Information, Command, Control, Communications, and Computers (IC4) at Headquarters Marine Corps. In this capacity, she also serves as the Department of Navy (DON) Senior Information Security Officer for the Marine Corps.

Ms. Spinks was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in August 2021, having joined Executive Service as a Senior Leader in August 2018, serving at Marine Forces Cyberspace Command (MARFORCYBER) as the nation's first Cyber Technology Officer. In this role, she deployed cyber based technology and served as the Executive Sponsor for intelligence informed Defense Cyber Operations (DCO) and is responsible for transitioning the USMC to a mobile workforce using Microsoft O365 in record timing.



Prior to Ms. Spinks' assignment to MARFORCYBER, her federal career path included serving in the US Treasury Department and the Department of Homeland Security. She is a decorated combat veteran from the 28th Combat Support Hospital, US Army 44th Medical Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Ms. Spinks' love for cyber grew when she worked with DHS ICE, DOJ, CIA and the ODNI while serving as a criminal research specialist; utilizing forensics and human intelligence to investigate human trafficking and child exploitation.

Ms. Spinks holds a BS in Information Systems, a MS in Technology Management, multiple information technology certifications, and is pursuing her Doctor of Engineering in Cybersecurity Analytics at George Washington University. Some of her most recent awards include 2022 Fed100, State of NC 2021 HBCU Living Legend, and 2020 Stars and Stripes Becoming Everything You Are (BEYA) SES of the Year. She is an avid community service STEMINIST, serving as the Director of her Not-For-Profit "Rising Footsteps" organization where she focuses on empowering both youth and adults to *grow* through life focused on achieving their goals and defining their own barometers of success. Her pronouns are she, her, EMPRESS.