



Ryan Montanez

AFSPECWAR/ Special Tactics & Combat Rescue
Joint Integrated Space Teams Director



A seasoned Colonel and executive leader bringing over 20 years of decorated service in the U.S. Air Force to his next challenge. With a career spanning Special Tactics, Combat Rescue, and Joint command and staff roles, he has led diverse teams of up to 145 personnel in high-stakes global operations. A graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy with master's degrees from both the Army War College and Air University, he has a proven track record of driving success in the special operations, joint, and space communities.



As a commander and Joint Staff (J7) division chief, he has a history of delivering impactful results, from leading humanitarian disaster relief in Pakistan to managing a \$15M annual budget for Research, Development, Test & Evaluation (RDT&E) of novel technologies. His professional assessments identify him as a forward-looking, decisive, and innovative leader—an "anchor of reality" who is driven by intellectual curiosity and a competitive desire to solve complex problems and win.

Identified as a futuristic and innovative thinker, Ryan is a decisive, analytical, and highly competitive leader who is driven to achieve. In his next career, he will thrive in a senior executive role where he can tackle complex challenges, drive innovation from concept to reality, and lead high-performing teams to achieve strategic, objective-oriented results.

- ★ Available 60 days or less from offer, no later than March 2027
- ★ Seeking a role in Executive Leadership, Strategic Operations, or Technology/Innovation Program Management
- ★ Is open to most locations for the right position

