



# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL CHRIS J. IODER

Brig. Gen. Chris J. Ioder, is the assistant adjutant general - Air, Kansas National Guard and the Commander, Kansas Air National Guard. He serves as the chief adviser to the adjutant general on all matters pertaining to Air National Guard programs, policies, operations, management, and command and control of the Kansas Air National Guard. He also provides staff assistance guidance and direction concerning Air National Guard personnel, administration, training, recruiting and retention incentives and budgetary matters. Ioder is responsible for more than 2,300 Kansas Air National Guard personnel serving in two wings and one geographically separated unit.

Ioder began his military career by enlisting in the Missouri Air National Guard as an Air Cargo Specialist in 1988. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Rockhurst University in Kansas City, Missouri, in December 1989. He transferred to the Kansas Air National Guard in 1991 and received his commission from the Academy of Military Science in 1992. He completed Undergraduate Pilot Training in 1993, followed by KC-135 Combat Crew Training in 1994.

While assigned to the 190th Air Refueling Wing, Ioder has held various positions, including commander of the 190th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, and flight commander in the 117<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Squadron. As a command pilot, he has flown over 4,500 flying hours, including more than 80 combat sorties and over 500 hours flown in direct support of Operations Deny Flight, Deliberate Guard, Allied Force, Northern Watch, Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, and Unified Protector. In 2015, he was selected as director of Operations, Headquarters Kansas Air National Guard, where he worked to enhance domestic response capabilities and future planning. In his civilian capacity, he is a commercial airline pilot with over 23 years of experience and over 19,000 flying hours.



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