

**Allen W. Beckett**  
**Principal Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics)**

Mr. Beckett is the Principal Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics). Mr. Beckett has broad responsibility in the overall policy and management of the Department of Defense logistics processes. The scope of his position encompasses Transportation, Maintenance, Materiel and Distribution Management, Logistics Information Systems, and Logistics Reengineering. The impacts of his decisions will be far reaching in a totally reengineered logistics program for the Department as mandated by the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology). He assumed his present position on October 13, 1998.

Mr. Beckett was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in September 1996. He served as Chief, Combat Support Division, Headquarters United States Air Force. He was responsible for the development and justification of budgets for assigned logistics resources. Mr. Beckett ensured requirements generated by approved force, modernization, and war plans were supported by the procurement, production, and distribution of mission equipment included in assigned budget programs. He approved funds allocations to the buying activities of the commands and product centers. His responsibilities included program execution status reviews to ensure program compliance with Congressional guidance and DoD obligation targets.

In previous positions in the Air Force Mr. Beckett was assigned to San Antonio Air Logistics Center at Kelly Air Force Base (AFB), Texas as a management trainee. He also worked at Headquarters Air Force Logistics Command in Dayton, Ohio. While assigned to Wright-Patterson AFB, he developed budget submissions and long range cost estimates for aircraft replenishment spares. Mr. Beckett was assigned to Headquarters, United States Air Force, in 1981.

**EDUCATION:**

- 1973 Bachelor of Science degree, Economics, University of Central Arkansas
- 1990 Senior Officials in National Security, John F. Kennedy School of Government
- 1994 Federal Executive Institute

**CAREER CHRONOLOGY:**

- 1973 - 1974, Management Trainee, Kelly AFB
- 1974 - 1977, Financial Management Specialist, Kelly AFB
- 1977 - 1981, Financial Management Specialist, Wright-Patterson AFB
- 1981 - 1983, Financial Management Specialist, Pentagon
- 1983 - 1985, Chief, Inventory Management Policy, Pentagon
- 1985 - 1986, Logistics Advisor, Competition Advocate Office, HQ USAF
- 1986 - 1995, Deputy Chief, Supply and Fuels Policy Division, HQ USAF
- 1996 - 1998, Chief, Combat Support Division, HQ USAF

**AWARDS AND HONORS:**

- 1979 Colonel Meredith Mynhier Award - Air Force Logistics Command
- 1986 Letter of Commendation - Headquarters United States Air Force
- 1989 Meritorious Civilian Service Award - Headquarters United States Air Force