



# YVETTE BURKE

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**Y**vette Burke is the executive director of aviation contracting and acquisition management for DLA Aviation, a field activity of Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va. She assumed her position in November 2007 and is a member of the Senior Executive Service.

DLA Aviation is the aviation demand and supply manager for Defense Logistics Agency with more than 3,500 civilian and military personnel in 18 locations across the United States. DLA Aviation supports more than 1,800 weapon systems and is the U.S. military's integrated materiel manager for more than 1.1 million national stock number items, industrial retail supply and depot-level repairable acquisitions.

Positioned alongside its military customers, DLA Aviation manages industrial support activities at Robins Air Force Base, Ga., Tinker AFB, Okla., Hill AFB, Utah, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., Naval Air Station North Island, Calif., and NAS Jacksonville, Fla.

DLA Aviation also manages depot-level repairable procurement operations at Robins, Tinker and Hill Air Force Bases; Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Weapon Systems Support, Philadelphia; and at Redstone Army Arsenal, Ala.

DLA Aviation also operates an industrial plant equipment repair facility at Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Weapon Systems Support, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

As the senior acquisition executive for DLA Aviation, Ms. Burke shares full managerial responsibility for all aviation supply chain acquisition operations. She is engaged in the full range of logistics and acquisition planning, life cycle management, and mission management of worldwide aviation items.

Ms. Burke began her DLA career in 1980 as a contract administrator. She joined management ranks in 1985 and in 1989 accepted an overseas assignment as assistant to the commander for acquisition, Defense Subsistence Region Europe, Zweibrücken, Germany.



Ms. Burke next returned stateside to work at Defense Personnel Support Center in Philadelphia, where she held positions as Clothing and Textiles Branch manager, Subsistence Business Unit chief and deputy director of contracting and production. In 1995, she became the business process improvement chief for Defense Industrial Supply Center.

From 1997 to 2003, she served as deputy director of DISC's General Directorate through its reorganization into the General and Industrial Directorate at Defense Supply Center Philadelphia, where she continued to serve until 2007 as director of the Business Systems Modernization Directorate.

During her career, Ms. Burke has transitioned five Air Force, Army and Navy depot-level repairable activities into DLA; implemented an enterprise resource planning system in four supply chains for the agency; reengineered business processes for logistics and acquisition support for five major commodity business segments valued at \$2 billion; developed and implemented best value source selection in troop support programs; and restructured Europe and Pacific support activities into tri-commodity customer focused organizations.

Ms. Burke holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Temple University in Philadelphia. She completed Harvard University executive courses in strategic computing and telecommunications and is a certified re-engineer by Hammer & Company. Between 1999 and 2000, she completed Leadership for a Democratic Society at the Federal Executive Institute. She has been a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps since 1984 and is certified in contracting.

In 1994, Ms. Burke was named Woman of the Year by the Federal Executive Board in Philadelphia. Along with numerous performance awards, she has been recognized with: DLA's Scissors Award (1996), DoD Hammer Award (1997), Meritorious Civilian Service Award (1998), Exceptional Civilian Service Award (2001), and DLA's Leader of the Year Award in the Manager of Managers' category (2006).