

Biography: Major General Jan C. Norris Cybersecurity Director/ Chief Information Security Officer



MG Norris is native of Richmond, Virginia. He received his commission in the Army Signal Corps through the Army Officer Candidate School at Ft. Benning, GA in 1991 and has commanded at company to brigade level.

He began his career as a platoon leader in C Company, 304th Signal Battalion, Camp Colburn, Korea. He then served as Signal Officer, G6-1st Corps Support Command, Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, Commander, 301st Signal Company, Ft. Pickett, Virginia, Telecommunications Officer, G6-63rd Regional Support Command, Los Alamitos, California, Plans Officer- 8th US Army G6/311th Signal Command Forward, Yongsan, Korea, Signal Officer-Stryker Brigade Coordination Cell and G3 Information Management Officer-I (U.S.) Corps, both at Ft. Lewis, Washington, and then as Commandant-High Tech Regional Training Site, Sacramento, California.

From 2008-2010, he held various key positions in Hawaii as Chief of Current Operations for the 311th Signal Command, S3-30th Signal Battalion and S3-516th Signal Brigade. During this period, he was deployed as Chief, Current Operations for the 335th Signal Command Forward at Camp Arifjan, Kuwait. MG Norris subsequently served as the G6 for the 311th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary) in Los Angeles, California. He was later selected in 2012 to command the 4th Joint Communications Squadron (Airborne)-Joint Communications Support Element, MacDill AFB in Tampa, Florida. He then joined the Joint Staff J6 (Pentagon) as the Nuclear Command and Control Communications Branch Chief. In 2015, he was selected to command US Army Garrison Fort Hunter Liggett, California prior to his return to Hawaii in 2017 to serve as the Deputy Commander, 311th Signal Command (Theater) at Ft. Shafter. Two years later he was promoted to Brigadier General to serve as the Commanding General, 311th Sig Cnd and served in that role from 2019-2022. In August 2022 MG Norris moved to his current position in HQDA, Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) to serve as the Director for Cybersecurity and Army Chief Information Security Officer (CISO). MG Norris is a Joint Qualified Officer and holds the Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) and Project Management Professional (PMP) certifications. He has served 30 continuous years in an active-duty status as both an Active Component (AC), Active Guard Reserve (AGR), and Troop Program Unit (TPU) officer.

MG Norris graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a bachelor's degree in Journalism in 1990. He earned a master's degree in Applied Linguistics from Old Dominion University in 1997. He is a graduate of the Army Signal Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College, the Force Management Course, the Joint C4 Planner's Course, Advanced Joint Professional Military Education (JPME II), and the U.S. Army War College with a Master's Degree in Strategic Studies. His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (w/ 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (w/ Oak Leaf Cluster), the Meritorious Service Medal (w/ Silver Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal and the Army Parachute badge.

MG Norris is married to Jin-Young Norris from Seoul, Korea (for 29 years). They have three daughters- Sara (22), Anna (21) and Lois (17) and all currently live in Atlanta (Buford), Georgia. MG Norris is an avid sports fan and an active triathlete.