

DONALD P. CLARK

Donald Clark was hired by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) as a Field Engineer after graduating from Howard University Engineering School in 1962. He was responsible for testing, installation, flight check, certification, and final sign off on Communications, Navigation and Surveillance equipments at major airports in the 13 Northeastern States of the United States, a challenging experience for a new young engineer. States, a

Clark left the FAA to join the Procurement and Production Directorate, Aircraft Systems Branch at Ft Monmouth, NJ. With a team of Engineers, he was selected as the Contracting Officers Technical Representative (COTR) by the contracting officers for the AVSCOM US Army for the AH-1, Beech King Air, Bell OH-58, UH-1, Boeing CH-47, Grumman OV-1 and Sikorsky CH-54 aircraft. They insured the proper installation and logistics support of CECOM Avionics and Mission equipment simultaneous with aircraft fielding, dealing daily with all US ARMY air frame manufacturers.

He spent approximately 30 years in Government Service, mostly at Ft. Monmouth, at PM NAVCON as the Chief of the Procurement Logistics Management Division and was nominated during this time by the PM/DPM (06 (Colonel) and GS-15) for DSMC, one of only four civilians out of fifty senior military officers were nominated. Clark was responsible for the acquisition, fielding and logistics support of Tactical and Fixed Base Air Traffic Control and Radar Systems to US Army Airfields worldwide.

His other position at Ft. Monmouth was as Deputy Product Manager at ISMA/ISEC where he was responsible for US Army air traffic control systems and project management of US Army Fixed Base ATC and radar equipment. Clark was also in charge of production, acquisition, fielding, installation, testing and logistics support for this equipment and interfaced on a daily basis with OEMs and senior military personnel who generated the requirements for his actions. He also served as joint US Army Program Manager on the DOD/FAA National Airspace Systems Defense Acquisition Program where he coordinated the acquisition of military equipment associated with the FAA's National Airspace Upgrade.

Clark was hired again by the FAA as Assistant Division Chief (GS-15) of Logistics at the Technical Center, in Pomona, NJ. There he supervised the Contract Service, Material Logistics Support, Engineering and Construction Branches. He

was also responsible for a 5080 acres facility that included all the FAA test ranges and support to the overall FAA mission and to over 2000 personnel at the center which included civilian and military.

As a GS-15 with the FAA in Washington DC, he was the Minority Business Development Officer. As a member of the logistics staff, he was responsible for insuring minority participation in National Airspace Acquisition Programs.

As a member of the Senior Executive Service (SES), Clark was the Deputy Associate Administrator in Washington, DC at the Small Business Administration (SBA), ensuring that the federal government agencies adhered to Public Law 95-507 and Public Law 96-481 regarding minority participation in federal contracts. He had to report the results to the White House and Congress.

After his government service, he worked for the country of Bermuda where he was a Consultant Manager for Air Operations for 4 years working under the direction of the Airport General Manager. During this time, he instituted actions to move the airport towards the ICAO Mandate for Visual Slope Segment Penetration (VSSP) mitigation. Clark initiated the process to create an Alternate Daytime Emergence Landing Surface in case the main runway became inaccessible. He worked to create a cooperative relationship with the FAA that did not exist before. He worked with two major US prime contractors, with worldwide reputations, in Air Space matters to move Bermuda towards control of their own air space. In addition, he managed the review of the Overseas Territory Regulations (OTARS), assigned by Department of Civil Aviation (DCA), representing the UK, and managed all airside operations, CNS equipment, BWS, Security and ATC Tower Operations.

Clark's educational accomplishments include a Bachelor of Arts in Physics/Mathematics from Lincoln University, PA, a Bachelor of Science in Electronics Engineering from Howard University,

Washington, DC, and a Master's in Business Administration from Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ. He also completed the Defense Systems Management Course (Masters level work) at Ft. Belvoir, VA, and received Certified Military Program Manager (CMPM) Credentials from the University of Southern California, Ft. Belvoir, VA. He received his Senior Executive Service Training at the Federal Executive Institute, Charlottesville, VA. He is a member of the Society of Logistics Engineers, (SOLE), the Army Aviation Association of America (AAAA), the Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA), and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE).