



# BIOGRAPHY

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

## BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN D. SLOCUM

Brigadier General John D. Slocum is the Commander, 127<sup>th</sup> Wing, Selfridge ANGB, Michigan. The 127<sup>th</sup> Wing is home to 1,700 citizen-Airmen operating both the A-10 and KC-135 aircraft, as well the host to 44 tenant organizations from all branches of the military and numerous DHS organizations. Nearly 4500 Active, Guard, and Reserve military and civilian personnel call Selfridge ANGB home.

General Slocum received his Air Force commission through East Carolina University's ROTC, Det. 600, in 1984, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in political science. During his eight years of active duty service, he served as an F-4E pilot at Moody AFB, Georgia.

General Slocum joined the Arizona Air National Guard in 1992 and served in a variety of Operations Group and headquarters-staff positions. In 2003, he led the Operations Group F-16E/F Block 60 F-16 conversion, airworthiness certification, and academic development for the 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, Tucson, AZ. He was in the initial pilot cadre for standing up F-16E/F Block 60 pilot training for the United Arab Emirates and has written more than 150 flight training and safety academic lessons and textbooks.



In 2005, General Slocum was assigned as the 162FW Chief of Safety and also served as the Wing Headquarters Squadron Commander. While serving as Chief of Safety for the 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, he authored the ANG's indigenous human factors for maintenance training curriculum (Maintenance Resource Management), and presented the curriculum to more than 40,000 Airmen. General Slocum was also the program manager for the "Wingman Project" suicide prevention and resiliency initiative leveraging internet, social media, and app technology to champion caring for people outreach, training, and marketing. He conceived of and launched the "Ready 54" resiliency campaign and the "Wingman Day" resource for the ANG. He also initiated the DOD-wide mid-air collision avoidance program, known as SeeandAvoid.org, now a national asset hosted by the FAA. In 2013, General Slocum was inducted into the U.S. Air Force Safety Hall of Fame.

Prior to assuming command of the 127<sup>th</sup> Wing, Gen Slocum served as The Inspector General, Air National Guard, responsible for assessing and auditing the readiness, discipline, efficiency, and economy of the organization – including the Complaints Resolution Program, and Fraud, Waste, and Abuse (FWA) Programs. He has logged more than 4000 hours as an F-4 and F-16 Instructor Pilot.

### EDUCATION

- 1984 Baccalaureate Degree in Political Science, East Carolina University, North Carolina
- 1985 Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi
- 1986 F-4 Basic Training, Homestead AFB, Florida
- 1986 Squadron Officer's School
- 1988 F-16 Basic Training, Luke AFB, Arizona
- 1989 F-16 Instructor Pilot (IP) Upgrade Course, Luke AFB, Arizona
- 1994 Air Command and Staff College
- 1996 Air War College

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 1984 – May 1985, student, undergraduate pilot training, Columbus AFB, Miss.
2. May 1986 – March 1987, F-4E aircraft commander, 68<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
3. March 1987 – August 1987, F-4E aircraft commander, 69<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
4. May 1988 – June 1989, F-16A aircraft commander, 69<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
5. September 1989 – December 1991, F-16CG instructor pilot, platform instructor, electronics warfare officer, weapons and tactics officer, and flight scheduler, 310<sup>th</sup> Fighter Training Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.
6. April 1992 – February 1995, Operations Standardization and Evaluation Officer, 195<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron, 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, Tucson, Ariz.
7. February 1995 – October 1995, Operations Officer, 152<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
8. November 1995 – September 1999, Chief of Flight Scheduling, 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, Tucson, Ariz.
9. September 1999 – January 2003, Chief of F-16 Training Operations, 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, Tucson, Ariz.
10. January 2003 – January 2005, F-16E/F Block 60 Conversion Manager, 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, Tucson, Ariz.
11. January 2005 – February 2009, Chief of Safety, 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, Tucson, Ariz.
12. February 2009 – August 2009, Headquarters Squadron Commander, 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, Tucson, Ariz.
13. August 2009 – September 2013, Director of Safety, ANG Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Md.
14. September 2013 – October 2014, Inspector General, ANG Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Md.
15. November 2014 – present, 127<sup>th</sup> Wing Commander, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mich.

## **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: Over 4100 hours

Aircraft flown: F-4D/E, F-16A/C/CG/CJ/E

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with 4 devices

Air Force Achievement Medal with 1 device

AF Outstanding Unit Award with 1 device

Combat Readiness Medal

Air Force Recognition Ribbon

National Defense Service Medal with 1 device

Southwest Asia Service Medal with 2 devices

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

AF Longevity Service Ribbon with 6 devices

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 1 "M" device and 3 devices

Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon

Kuwait Liberation Medal Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Kuwait Liberation Medal Government of Kuwait

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant	May 30, 1984
First Lieutenant	May 30, 1986
Captain	May 5, 1988
Major	June 30, 1993
Lieutenant Colonel	September 26, 1997
Colonel	February 2, 2010
Brigadier General	October 22, 2014

(Current as of November 2014)