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Dr. Blake is the Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (STRI). He is responsible for providing materiel solutions and services in modeling, simulation, training and test/instrumentation to support the Soldier.

PEO STRI annually executes programs valued at more than \$1.5 billion with a workforce that includes over 900 military, government civilian, and industry personnel. Acquisition programs cover 463 contracts valued at more than \$6.7 billion and support 334,000 training systems at 516 sites worldwide, including 15 countries. In addition, PEO STRI's Foreign Military Sales program supports 52 countries.



Dr. Blake began his service to the nation as a Private in the U.S. Army and completed his military career as a Colonel. He is a dual-rated Master Army Aviator. His last military assignment was as the Army's Senior Uniformed Army Scientist.

During his military career, Dr. Blake served in many positions and locations, including aviation operations in Vietnam. With more than twenty years of research, development, and acquisition experience in the Army Acquisition Corps, he holds level-three certifications in five acquisition career fields.

Following his military career, Dr. Blake held several technical and executive positions in industry before joining academia where he served as a Senior Research Scientist at Texas A&M University.

While at Texas A&M, Dr. Blake joined the Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command as the Program Manager for the Institute for Creative Technologies (ICT), the internationally recognized University Affiliated Research Center for Advanced Modeling and Simulation. In March 2003, he became the Deputy PEO STRI. On 2 June 2005, he became the PEO.

Dr. Blake is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, the Defense Systems Management College, and the U.S. Army War College. His formal education includes a B.S. degree in Accounting from the University of Tampa, an M.S. degree in Systems Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School, and a Ph.D. degree in Computer Science from Duke University.

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