COL Jarrod J.H. Gillam, US Army Nuclear and CWMD (FA 52) (Current assignment: Director, USANCA)

Colonel Jarrod J.H. Gillam is the Director of the U.S. Army's Nuclear and CWMD Agency. He is an Army Nuclear and Counterproliferation officer with over 30 years of Active, Reserve and National Guard military experience, with multiple combat and operational deployments.

COL Gillam commissioned as an ROTC Distinguished Military Graduate into the Infantry in 2000, and subsequently served as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Scout Platoon Leader and Assistant Operations Officer, with 1-17 IN, Ft. Wainwright, AK. He then went on to complete Special Forces Training in 2006, and was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Ft. Carson, CO, where he commanded Operational Detachment-Alpha 0326 and worked in both the Battalion and Group



Headquarters as an Operations Officer and Planner until 2010 when he departed to attend the Naval Postgraduate School.

From 2012 – 2014, COL Gillam served as 10th Group's Global War on Terror Planner, and as the Special Forces Company Commander of A Company, 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, conducting multiple operational deployments in support of U.S. Special Operations Commands Europe and Africa.

From 2014 to 2018 COL Gillam served as an Operations Officer on the US Department of State's (DOS) Foreign Emergency Support Team, while detailed to the DOS' Bureau of Counterterrorism. While assigned, he conducted multiple operational deployments to the Middle East, East Asia Pacific and Africa in support of the U.S. Government's global counterterrorism efforts.

In 2018, COL Gillam transitioned from Special Forces to the U.S. Army's Functional Area 52 (Nuclear and Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction). COL Gillam then worked for the US Special Operations Command's (USSOCOM) SOCOM Liaison Network (SLN), representing USSOCOM equities within DOS' Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, in Washington, D.C., until 2021 when he left to attend the National War College, graduating in 2022.

From 2022 to 2025, COL Gillam served as the Senior Military Assistant to the Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment; as the Senior Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs; and as the Senior Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear Deterrence, Chemical and Biological Defense Policy Programs

COL Gillam's major awards and decorations include the Bronze Star (1 olc), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (1 olc), Army Commendation Medal (3 olc), DOS Superior Honor Award, Master Combat Infantryman's Badge, Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, and Romanian Jump Wings.

COL Gillam holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration from McDaniel College; a Master of Science in Defense Analysis from the Naval Postgraduate School; a Master of Science in National Security Strategy from the National War College, and a Graduate Certificate in Nuclear Weapons Effects, Policy and Proliferation from the Air Force Institute of Technology.

COL Gillam is originally from Maryland and is married to the former Laura Haynes of Knoxville, TN. They have two children, whom they enjoy spending time with outdoors.