

# Dr. Ronald Hann Jr.

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Dr. Ron Hann, a member of the Senior Executive Service (SES), is the Director of the Chemical/Biological Technologies Department for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA). In this position he leads, directs, and is the focal point for all DTRA Chemical and Biological Defense (CBD) Science and Technology (S&T) programs and guides the strategic, scientific, and technological goals of DTRA's CBD S&T research efforts. He is dual-hatted as the head of the Joint Science and Technology Office for Chemical and Biological Defense (JSTO-CBD) under the DoD Chemical and Biological Defense Program (CBDP).

Dr. Hann was promoted to the SES in April 2014 following his retirement from the U.S. Army Chemical Corps after almost 27 years of active duty.

Prior to his current assignment, he was the Acting Director of J9CB. His first military tour with DTRA was in 2002 where he was assigned as a Mission Commander to the Chemical and Biological Division, On-Site Inspection Directorate. Following that tour, he earned a doctorate in Organic Synthesis from the University of Virginia; then taught Organic Chemistry at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Dr. Hann's other assignments in the Army included Squadron Operations Officer (S3) for the 2nd Cavalry Regiment, Fort Polk, Louisiana (2001-2002); Division Liaison Officer for 3rd Infantry Division in Bosnia, Herzegovina (2000-2001); Regimental Chemical Officer of the 2nd Cavalry Regiment, Fort Polk (1999-2000); Instructor/Assistant Professor of Chemistry at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York (1994-1997 and 2008-2012); Commander of Radcliff Recruiting Company, Nashville Recruiting Battalion (1993-1994); Future Concepts and Studies Officer, Directorate of Combat Developments, Fort McClellan, Alabama, (1991-1993); Brigade Chemical Officer for the 210th Field Artillery Brigade, Force Field Artillery Headquarters for the 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment where he fought in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm; Battalion Chemical Officer, 2nd battalion, 12th Field Artillery in Herzogenaurach, Germany (1988 -1991). Dr. Hann received an ROTC scholarship and was commissioned as an officer in 1986; he first enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve as an Infantryman in 1983.

In addition to Dr. Hann's Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from the University of Virginia, he holds both B.S. and M.A. degrees in Chemistry from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia.

His military awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the National Defense Service Medal with Service Star, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Medal with two campaign stars, the Iraqi Campaign Medal with two service stars, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the NATO Service Medal, Liberations of Kuwait Service Medals and other service ribbons.