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Lieutenant Colonel Dan Gusich serves as the Reserve Integration & Talent Management Branch Chief since August 2023 for the Office of the Chief of Engineers (OCE) within the Headquarters Department of the Army (HQDA). He represents the Chief of Engineers in areas of Army Reserve integration and Talent Management, coordinating engineer staff support across the Army enterprise.

Commissioned as an Engineer Officer in 2006 from the University of Tampa via Army ROTC, Dan's career began with B Company, 841st Engineer Battalion in Orlando, FL as part of the surge to support Operation Iraqi Freedom, deploying to Fallujah and Tikrit, Iraq (2007-2008), where he led a Route Clearance Platoon clearing thousands of miles throughout al Anbar Province.



Upon returning from Iraq, Dan was selected for the Active Guard Reserve (AGR) program in 2008, serving with the 75th Training Division, preparing units for deployment. He later moved to Denver, CO and served as an Engineer Plans Officer with the 244th Engineer Battalion (2012-2015), planning and executing training exercises domestically and a six month rotational support exercise Panama. In 2015, he commanded the 420th Clearance Company in Indiana, PA, leading a team of nearly two hundred combat engineers.

In 2017, Dan was assigned to Army North located at Joint Base San Antonio, TX serving as a Facilities Master Planner in the newly developed Engineer Directorate, contributing to base development and supporting Defense Support of Civilian Authorities missions like hurricane relief. From 2019-2021, he served in Darien, IL with the 863rd Engineer Battalion as the S3, and later supported the 416th Theater Engineer Command's G3 shop in readiness and future operations planning before proceeding to OCE.

Dan is a graduate of Command and General Staff College and the Joint Combined Warfare School. His military decorations include the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, German Armed Forces Military Proficiency Badge, Combat Action Badge, Air Assault Badge, along with additional service ribbons, and the Bronze Order of the de Fleury Medal.

Dan and his wife, Ashley, enjoy a fulfilling family life with their sons, Jacob (10) and Benjamin (8), filled with adventures, travel, youth sports, and quality time with their dog, Duke.