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Mr. Steven J. Balthazor serves as the Contracting Director, Combat Sustainment, Fires, Autonomy, Army Contracting Command – Detroit Arsenal (ACC-DTA). In this capacity, he is the directorate's senior Contracting Officer and advisor on the total acquisition process, including acquisition/contracting strategy, contract pricing, contract management and associated support.

Mr. Balthazor began serving as the TS Division Chief in January 2025 and he has oversight over 49 civilian personnel that fall within 6 teams across 3 branches. His division supports requirements for Medium and Heavy Tactical Vehicles and Army Watercraft Vessels that originate from the Program Executive Office Combat Support and Combat Services Support (PEO CS&CSS), TS Project Management Office. Mr. Balthazor's division administers numerous active contracts that have a total obligation value of over $1B annually and are a mix of both source selections (competitive) and sole sourced contracts.

During his career with ACC-DTA, Mr. Balthazor has supported numerous Army missions. From November 2022 through December 2024, he served as the Chief of ACC-DTA's Force Projection / Joint Light Tactical Vehicles Contracting Division. Prior to this, he was assigned as the Branch Chief over ACC-DTA Sustainment Acquisition, where he oversaw contracting activities in support of Integrated Logistics Support Center (ILSC) sustainment requirements. During his tenure over the Sustainment Acquisition Branch, Mr. Balthazor was responsible for contract execution and administration of over 5,000 unique ILSC-managed line items. Prior to this, he oversaw various branches responsible for contract activities supporting the Allied Tactical Vehicles and non-standard vehicles Foreign Military Sales, and contract support to Anniston Army Depot, Red River Army Depot, Sierra Army Depot, and Watervliet Arsenal. Prior to these assignments, Mr. Balthazor served as Contracting Officer for JLTV Low-Rate Initial Production and Stryker Full Rate Production efforts. Prior to his career with ACC-DTA, Mr. Balthazor worked in private industry for Chrysler, where he held a plethora of positions ranging from first line supervisor in various manufacturing plants to buyer for vehicle transportation lanes and car and minivan instrument panels.

Mr. Balthazor earned his Master's of Business Administration from Lawrence Technological University (2014), and a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management Information Systems from Michigan Technological University (2002). In 2012, he also completed a certification in supply chain management from the Michigan State University Eli Broad Graduate School of Management. He is Level III certified in Contracting, Level I certified in Program Management, and a member of the Army Acquisition Corps.

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