50 CONTRACTING SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

50 Contracting Squadron Activated, 14 Aug 1995

STATIONS

Schriever AFB, CO

ASSIGNMENTS

50 Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Gary L. Henry Lt Col Jennifer J. Thorpe-Lewis, 16 Jun 2006 Captain Bryan A. Lamb, 23 Jul 2007 Lt Col Bradford N. Lewis, 5 Sep 2007

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a disc per bend sinister Azure and Gules a bend sinister Argent overall in base a human form Or fimbriated Sable below in dexter an opinicus passant of the third and in sinister a globe of the first, land masses of the third, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "WORLDWIDE WING SUPPORT" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "50TH CONTRACTING SQ" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The disc, divided into the colors of the U.S. flag, denotes the patriotism of unit personnel. The opinicus reflects the contracting support provided to the Squadron's parent organization. The globe symbolizes the contracting functions that support the Air Force mission.

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

The years 2002 to 2005 represented a period of historical significance for the contracting arm of the 50th Space Wing. From humble beginnings as temporary tenants in the West Entry Control Facility in 1992, to its existence today with more than 80 assigned personnel, 50th CONS has been the catalyst for the changing face of Schriever AFB. By increasing annual dollars obligated from \$154 million in fiscal year 2002 to the present value of \$220 million, 50th CONS' growth has mirrored that of the wing.

50th CONS has received numerous Air Force-level unit and individual accolades to include the 2005 AFSPC Outstanding Contracting Unit Award; Secretary of the Air Force Outstanding Acquisition Professional for 2004; 2002 and 2004 Air Force Small Business Specialist of the year, and unit designation as winners of the 2002 and 2004 Air Force Small Business Special Achievement Award. Contract awards in excess of \$220 million for FY 2005 ranked 50th CONS as ninth largest in total dollars obligated among 83 operational contracting squadrons across the Air Force, posturing the unit with a strong business base for future growth as they continue to execute the critical needs of our space warfighters.

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