56 CONTRACTING SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

56 Contracting Squadron constituted, 28 Oct 1991 Activated, 1 Nov 1991 Inactivated, Activated,

STATIONS

MacDill AFB, Florida, 1 Nov 1991 Luke AFB, Arizona, 1 Apr 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

56 Logistics Group, 1 Nov 199156 Mission Support Group, 27 Sep 2002

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Don Drenkhan, 1 Nov 1991 Maj Gerald H. Jacques, 1 Apr 1994 Maj Brenda J. Bobbitt, 10 Jul 1996 Capt Anthony K. McGraw, 24 Nov 1998 Maj Karen L. Bruce, 24 Nov 1998 Lt Col Jose R. Solis, Jr., 12 Jul 2001 Maj Richard E. Wells, 23 Jul 2004 Maj Thomas D. Ficklin, 7 Jul 2006 Lt Col Rick C. Denmann, 22 Nov 2007 Lt Col Thomas D. Ficklin, 30 Jul 2007 Lt Col Tommy M. Gates, III, 1 Jul 2009 Maj Quoc-Nam Nguyen, 18 Jun 2012

HONORS Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1996

1 Jul 1996-30 Jun 1998

1 Jul 1998-30 Jun 2000

1 Jul 2001-30 Jun 2003

1 Jun [Jul] 2003-30 Jun 2005

1 Jul 2005-30 Jun 2006

1 Jul 2006-30 Jun 2007

1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2008

1 Jul 2008-30 Jun 2009

1 Jul 2009-30 Jun 2010

1 Jul 2010-30 Jun 2011

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, a bezant enhanced surmounted by a bald eagle stooping Brown, garnished Argent, eyed and armed Sable, unfurled from its dexter talon a parchment Proper, garnished with a certification ribbon of the fourth, all within a diminished border Black. Attached above the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "56TH CONTRACTING SQ" in Black letters. Attached below the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "WE MAKE IT HAPPEN" in Black 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 eagle symbolizes the Air Force, holding the contract parchment representing the unit's mission of managing the formation of legal agreements in support of the parent wing. (Approved, 22 Jun 2001)

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We Make It Happen

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