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Mr. Nelson serves as the Technical Director. His responsibilities include leading a multidisciplinary staff in developing, implementing, maintaining, and assuring the efficient and effective operation of civilian human resources policies, guidance, programs, legislative initiatives, and Executive Orders. Mr. Nelson has been in this position since May 2018 and has over 36 years of Federal Service.

Mr. Nelson has extensive experience in Human Resources with the Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Service and the Department of the Air Force. Past positions include serving as the Director, Employment and Compensation, Chief of the Compensation Division, Chief of the Staffing Division, Chief of the Civilian Assistance and Reemployment Division, Air Force's Civilian Compensation Program Manager, Air Staff career broadening assignment in the Regionalization and Modernization Program Office, Acting Civilian Personnel Officer at Kadena Air Base, Japan, Chief of Labor and Employee Relations at Kadena, Chief of Affirmative Employment at Kadena, and Staffing and Affirmative Employment Specialist at Eglin Air Force Base. While at Eglin, Mr. Nelson was recognized as the Air Force Systems Command Intermediate Program Manager of the Year. In addition, Mr. Nelson has served as a guest instructor at the Air Force Personnel School and as a guest lecturer at the school.

Mr. Nelson began his Federal career as a Respiratory Therapist with the Veterans Administration.

Prior to beginning his Federal career, Mr. Nelson worked for the State of Florida as an Employment Counselor where he was one of the first in the state to complete a Department of Labor and Florida sponsored Counselor Competency Model – a Master's degree equivalency in employment and vocational counseling, and Department of Labor Certification as an Employment Counselor.

Mr. Nelson holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of South Alabama and a Master of Business Administration from the University of West Florida.