



# *Biography*

## DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY

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### **Thomas C. Owens** **Special Assistant to DeCA Director**

Thomas C. Owens is special assistant to the director of the Defense Commissary Agency, working areas ranging from the agency's business transformation communication to executive briefings for DOD and Congress.

He assumed his position in October 2016 after serving more than three years as director of DeCA's Washington Office. In that position, Mr. Owens served as DeCA's liaison to a wide variety of organizations, including the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the chiefs of the uniformed services, Congress, trade associations and other governmental activities.

Before being selected to the Washington Office, Mr. Owens served as chief of the agency's business requirements division. His selection to that position was part of a series of revisions to DeCA headquarters' organization that became official in October 2012. The activation of the requirements division helped match the business end of the commissary benefit with the information technology systems needed to support it.

Mr. Owens' commissary career began with the Army Troop Support Agency as a merchandising clerk at TSA's Northeast Commissary Region in 1984. Over the breadth of his 33-year commissary career, he has served in a variety of store- and management-level positions.



#### **EDUCATION**

1983, Bachelor's degree in history, Campbell University, N.C.

#### **CAREER CHRONOLOGY**

2016 - present, Special Assistant to the DeCA Director, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Va.

2013 - 2016, Director, DeCA Washington Office, Washington, D.C.

2012 - 2013, Chief, Requirements Division, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Va.

2011- 2012, Supervisory Program Developer, Requirements and Strategic Integration Directorate, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Va.

2006 - 2011, Program Development Chief then Chief of Information Technology Business Requirements Division, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Va.

2001 - 2006, Operations Business Analyst, Operations Directorate, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Va.

1991 - 2001, Base Realignment and Closure Manager, Resource Management Directorate, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Va.

1987 - 1990, Management Analyst, Commissary Operations Directorate, U.S. Army Troop Support Agency Headquarters, Fort Lee, Va.

1986 - 1987, Commissary Management Specialist, U.S. Army Troop Support Agency Northeast Commissary Region, Fort Meade, Md.

1984 - 1986, Merchandising Clerk, Operations Division, U.S. Army Troop Support Agency Southeast Commissary Region, Fort Lee, Va.

1983 -1984, clerk, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Research, Development and Acquisition, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

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