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## Biography

### BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN E. MCCOY

#### Deputy Adjutant General Support to Civil Authority, Wisconsin National Guard

Brig. Gen. John E. McCoy is Wisconsin's Deputy Adjutant General Support to Civil Authority. In this capacity, he serves as the principal advisor to the Adjutant General on complex and sensitive issues in the areas of logistics, command and control, communications, intelligence, manpower and personnel, counter-drug, and other critical functions. Gen. McCoy is dual-hatted as Air National Guard Assistant to the Commander, 24th Air Force, Air Force Space Command. In this role, he represents the Director, Air National Guard in all aspects of cyber operations to the Commander, 24th Air Force and Air Forces Cyber. In addition, Gen. McCoy is a member of the Air National Guard Strategic Planning System Steering Committee, and chairman of the Strategic Planning System Midwest Region.



Gen. McCoy is a graduate of Craig High School, Janesville, Wis., and earned a bachelor's degree in 1984 from the University of Wisconsin–Madison and a master's degree in management from Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, in 1997. His military education includes the Air National Guard Academy of Military Science, the Air Command and Staff College and the Air War College.

Gen. McCoy enlisted in the Wisconsin Army National Guard in 1979 in Janesville and served as a fuels specialist until 1984, when he transferred to the 128th Air Refueling Group, Wisconsin Air National Guard. Two years later, after being commissioned a second lieutenant, he was assigned to full-time military duty as air base operability officer. In the following years he held a series of command and staff assignments in the 128th Air Refueling Wing, culminating in selection as commander of the wing's Mission Support Group in November 2003. In February 2005, he transferred to Wisconsin National Guard headquarters as state director of manpower and personnel. In March 2007, he was assigned as director of the Air Staff. He was appointed to his current position as deputy adjutant general effective March 1, 2008.

Gen. McCoy's military awards include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal, the Air Force Achievement Medal, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 3 oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award, the National Defense Service Medal with 1 bronze service star, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Armed Forces Service Medal with bronze service star, the Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with 1 silver oak leaf cluster and 1 bronze oak leaf cluster, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with gold hourglass device, the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon with bronze service star, the Air Force Training Ribbon, and the Army Service Ribbon.