

628 CONTRACTING SQUADRON



MISSION

Directly supports over 7,300 DoD personnel in one air base wing, two air mobility wings and six geographically-separated associate units. Provides operational support for assigned C-17A aircraft. Prepares, awards, and administers contracts for construction, supplies, and services with an annual value exceeding \$100 million. Trains, equips, and deploys contracting officers to execute contingency contracting support to operations worldwide.

The 628th Contracting Squadron has the only authorized agents on the base to obligate appropriated funds for the Government to pay for supplies or services from a commercial source for obligations over \$2,500, as well as coordinate on-base product demonstrations by vendors.

The Commodities/Services Flight is responsible for procurement, lease, and administration of all supplies, equipment, and services over \$2,500.

The Construction Flight is responsible for the procurement and administration of base construction projects, architectural and engineering (A&E) contracts, and related specialized projects.

The Plans and Programs Flight handles interfaces with our automated customers, receives and loads all Automated Business Services System (ABSS) customers, and maintains the integrity of the contracting standard procurement system (SPS) data base and all electronic paperless interfaces.

The 628th Contracting Squadron is the U.S. Air Force's representative in the local business community and serves as advisor to the 628th Air Base Wing commander on procurement matters such as availability of sources, small business opportunities, and the impact of our local purchase program in nearby communities, as well as being the custodians of the Government Purchase Card (GPC) credit card program.

LINEAGE

628 Contracting Squadron constituted, 30 Oct 2009.
Activated, 8 Jan 2010

STATIONS

Joint Base Charleston, SC, 8 Jan 2010

ASSIGNMENTS

628 Mission Support Group, 8 Jan 2010

COMMANDERS

LTC Edward R. Culbreth 8 Jan
Maj Tyr R. Brenner 12 Jul 2010
LTC Dale B. Skinner 16 Jul 2012

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Oct 2010-30 Sep 2012

EMBLEM

On a disc as a stylized globe tilted on its axis Azure, gridlined Argent, overall a winged scroll (contract) Tenné, detailed Sable, wings Or, surmounted by a quill pen bend sinisterwise Brün, detailed of the fourth, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "FROM POSSIBILITY TO ACTUALITY" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "628TH CONTRACTING SQUADRON" 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 globe signifies the world-wide area of responsibility supported by the Squadron and the global operations that are carried out by contracting professionals. The quill denotes the earthly quality of labor and stability established through contracts. The lines on the contract reflect the result of cooperation and determination between the United States Air Force and the contractors who help make the mission succeed. (Approved, 13 March 2014)

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OPERATIONS

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