

97 CONTRACTING FLIGHT



MISSION

Responsible for managing the acquisition and contracting support program. Plans, develops, and awards contracts for the construction, service, and commodity needs of the wing and attached units. Provides business advice to the wing commander and staff on acquisition strategy, contract methods, procedures and law. monitors contract performance to ensure contract requirements are met. Responsible for training and providing worldwide contingency contracting support.

The squadron, comprised of 19 civilians and 14 military, serves as the key business adviser to the wing commander and staff for acquisition and contracting. It contracts for all supplies and equipment not stocked by the supply squadron. It negotiates architect-engineer design contracts as well as purchases and administers construction contracts for alterations, maintenance, and repair of real property. It carries on negotiations and administers all service contracts and contract repair of equipment, receives and processes purchase requests, provides administrative support and generates various listings and reports using the standard procurement system. The squadron manages and oversees the small business program, the quality assurance program and the government purchase card program for the base. Total annual contracting program is about \$30 million. The squadron consists of 14 military and 19 civilians.

The squadron, comprised 35 Mission-Focused Business Leaders, serves as the key business leader to the Wing Commander and staff for acquisitions and contracting. Additionally, the Squadron manages and oversees the small business program, the quality assurance program, and the Government Purchase Card Program for the base. Total annual contracting obligations is about \$31 million, with a service and construction contract portfolio of \$139M.

Base Support Flight

This flight provides for the acquisition of supplies and equipment for Base support requirements to include the Base Telecommunications Service, IT equipment, Medical service contract support, and other training, maintenance, and mission support requirements. It negotiates and administers all non-infrastructure service contracts for a \$36M portfolio.

Infrastructure Flight

This flight provides for the acquisition of supplies, equipment, and a service infrastructure requirements to include, Grounds Maintenance, Custodial Services, and Integrated Solid Waste Management. The total services infrastructure portfolio is valued at \$24M.

Construction Flight

This flight negotiates architect-engineer design contracts as well as purchases and administers construction contracts for alterations, maintenance, and repair of real property. This flight utilizes the Simplified Acquisition of Base Engineer Requirements and Multiple Award Construction Contract for a total contract portfolio value of \$79M

LINEAGE

97 Contracting Squadron constituted, 21 Aug 1992

Activated, 1 Oct 1992

Redesignated 97 Contracting Flight, 25 Jun 2014

STATIONS

Altus AFB, OK, 1 Oct 1992

ASSIGNMENTS

97 Logistics Group, 1 Oct 1992

97 Mission Support Group, 30 Aug 2002

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Oct 1992-30 Jun 1993

1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1994

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1995

1 Jul 1995-30 Jun 1996

1 Jul 1996-30 Jun 1998

1 Jul 1998-30 Jun 1999
1 Jul 2000-30 Jun 2002
1 Jul 2004-30 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
1 Jul 2011-30 Jun 2012
1 Jul 2013-30 Jun 2014
1 Jul 2014-30 Jun 2016
1 Jul 2016-30 Jun 2017
1 Jul 2017-30 Jun 2019
1 Jul 2019-30 Jun 2021



EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, an eagle volant Sable, head and tail feathers Argent perched on a spear bendwise sinister point to dexter of the third flamant to base Proper, below in chief, a parchment scroll open palewise inscribed Black entoured by two electrons Or in separate orbital rings saltirewise of the like, all within a diminished border of the fourth. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "97TH CONTRACTING SQUADRON" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "CALAMO ET GLADIO" 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 American eagle, holding a flaming spear, signifies the Squadron's consistency, determination and regality in service to the 97th Air Mobility Wing and the United States Air Force. Above the eagle, a scroll symbolizes the perfection, truth and wisdom sought in the mission, encircled by electrons

representing the use of computer technology to perform the mission. (Approved, 23 Sep 1999)

MOTTO

CALAMO ET GLADIO--Pen And Sword

OPERATIONS

USAF UNIT HISTORIES

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Sources

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