

Lt Col Hal Bidlack. Ph.D., USAF (Ret.)

Summary of Experience

Career Military Officer

- Served over 25 years of Active Duty in the United States Air Force.
- Earned doctoral degree in Political Science, with a focus on American National Government and Environmental Security Issues
- Taught all levels of Political Science as an Associate Professor of Political Science at the United States Air Force Academy
- Deputy Director of US Air Force Institute for National Security Studies
- Air Force Security Forces (military police) member
- Director of Global Environmental Affairs, The National Security Council, The White House (twice as temporary summer duty in the Clinton White House)
- Action Officer, the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks, the Pentagon (temporary summer duty)
- Deputy Director of Security Programs and Military Advisor, Office of the Coordinator of US Assistance to the Former Soviet States, US State Department
- Deputy Commander, Commander, and Instructor in Minute-Man III ICBM weapon system
- Retired from Active Duty 1 September 2006

Other

- Professional historic interpreter, Alexander Hamilton (www.HamiltonLives.com)
- Disabled Veteran (40%)
- Taught as civilian professor of Political Science, US Air Force Academy

Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Ph.D. in Political Science

1996

Dissertation: "Swords as Plowshares: The Military's Environmental Role"

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

M.A. in Political Science

1987

Thesis: "The Impact of Congressional Elections on Presidential Behavior"

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

B.A. Political Science

1980

Areas of Concentration: the Presidency

Minor: Economics

AWARDS

- Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
- Combat Readiness Medal
- National Defense Service Medal with 1 Bronze Star
- Humanitarian Service Medal
- Air Force Achievement Medal
- Force Protection Badge
- Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
- (others)

Teaching Experience

U.S. Air Force Academy, Department of Political Science

- **Division Chief, Course Director, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Instructor** 1988-1993, 1996- 2001, 2002-2006
- Developed syllabus and overall course structure, and administered all grades.
- Courses Taught:**
 - American National Government and National Security
 - International Relations and National Security Policy
 - The Politics of the Judiciary and the Supreme Court
 - The American Presidency
 - The American Congress
 - Environmental Politics and Environmental Security
 - Research Methods

Related Experience

- **Deputy Director**, Air Force Institute for National Security Studies, (located at the US Air Force Academy) 2001-2002
- **Deputy Director of Security Programs and Military Advisor** Department of State, Washington DC 2001
- At the United States Air Force Academy Department of Political Science: 1996-2006
 - **Senior Mentor**
 - **Chief, Core Course Division**
 - **Chief, Comparative Politics and Foreign Area Studies Division**
 - **Director of Educational Technology**
 - **Director of Personnel**
 - **Executive Officer to the Dean**
- At The White House, Washington DC
 - Director of Global Environmental Policy, National Security Council Summer 1997 & 1998
 - Assisted Senior Director, drafted speeches and background papers for President and Vice President, conducted research for National Security Advisor

Alexander Hamilton Interpreter

1996- Present

- Appears before audiences around the nation portraying the Founding Father, Alexander Hamilton, in the Chautauqua method. Performances begin with unscripted monologue, followed by audience questions on any subject from any time period, answered in character as Hamilton. Has appeared before numerous and diverse audiences, to include debates with “Thomas Jefferson” televised nationally on C-SPAN. Additional information can be found at www.HamiltonLives.com
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Presentations and papers

- Numerous Hamilton performances around the United States
 - “The Impact of Global Climate Change on National and International Security,” DOD Policy Paper 1998
 - “Interagency Cooperation on Environmental Security: The White House Perspective,” INSS Policy Paper, 1998
 - “The Wakeup Call,” The Windstar Journal, 1989
 - Global Warming and National Security – Presentation to the Colorado/Wyoming Political Science Association, 1997
 - Global Warming and National Security – Presentation to Colorado Council on International Organizations, 1997
 - AF Institute for National Security Studies – Program Chair, Environmental policy panel, 1997
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Memberships

- Life Member – Disabled American Veterans