

## **THOMAS MINER JR. - *Class of 1990***

Miner is a former Colonel in the United States Air Force (USAF), a position he held until his retirement in 2020. While in the USAF he served as the commander of five organizations. He had the honor and privilege of leading the air forces' premier global airborne contingency response unit, nuclear security for the nation's largest bomber wing, and protection for Joint Base Langley-Eustis and NASA, Virginia.

In 2016 as a Commanding Colonel, he was honored to lead Intelligence, Law Enforcement, Anti-Terrorism, Security, and Logistics for Joint Base San Antonio, the largest military installation in the Department of Defense, while also serving as the Garrison Commander for Joint Base San Antonio's – Randolph Air Force Base.

Before his retirement, Colonel Miner was the Chief of Security Forces, Anti-Terrorism, and Force Protection for Air Education and Training Command responsible for protecting the people, assets, and missions of 12 major military installations. Memorable assignments Col Miner experienced in his earlier career include serving two years as a foreign exchange officer in one of the United Kingdom's special operations squadrons, three combat tours in Iraq, and later serving as the senior law enforcement advisor to the Prime Minister of Iraq, and critical infrastructure advisor to Iraq's Minister of Interior.