

DLA Distribution Susquehanna, Pennsylvania Mr. James Hooper Deputy Commander

James Hooper assumed the position of Deputy Commander, DLA Distribution Susquehanna, Pa., in July 2024. Prior to this assignment, he served as the Naval Sea Systems Command Logistics Center Material Readiness Department Head where he led a warehouse network providing material management support to NAVSEA Surface and Undersea Warfare Centers across the United States. Prior to that, Hooper served as the Division Chief for DLA Distribution Susquehanna's Eastern Distribution Center from 2020 thru 2022.

Prior to his federal civilian service, Hooper was an Outbound Operations Manager and Senior Operations Manager for a legacy non-sort Amazon Fulfillment Center in Carlise, Pa from 2017 to 2020.



Hooper served for more than 25 years in the U.S. Army, retiring at the rank of Colonel. He began his service in uniform as an Ordnance Officer, and subsequently served in a wide variety of command and staff positions at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels.

Command tours in logistics included the 542nd Maintenance Company, Fort Lewis, Washington, the 83rd Ordnance Battalion, Kure, Japan, and Crane Army Ammunition Activity at Naval Support Activity-Crane, Indiana. He served in a Joint capacity as a Staff Action Officer, Maintenance Division, of the Joint Staff J-4 and served several combat tours including: Material Readiness Division Chief, 1st Corps Support Command (Airborne), Balad, Iraq in 2004-2005; Support Operations Officer and Executive Officer, 782nd Brigade Support Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Khost and Paktika Provinces, Afghanistan from 2007-2008; and Chief of Staff of the 1st Theater Sustainment Command in Kuwait from 2014-2015.

Hooper is a Distinguished Military Graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in Engineering from Lafayette College. He also holds a Master of Military Operational Art and Science degree from the Air Command and Staff College and a Master of Strategic Studies degree from the Army War College.

Hooper's uniformed decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, USAF Commendation Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, NATO Medal, the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, the Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge and Air Assault Badge.