



DLA Distribution Red River, Texas

Ms. Karla Jolly

Deputy Commander



Karla Jolly, a native of New Orleans, serves as the deputy commander at Defense Logistics Agency Distribution Red River, Texas, a position she assumed in April 2026.

Jolly brings more than two decades of leadership, logistics and supply chain management experience to the role. Before her federal service, she gained private-sector experience as a general manager at B&G Corp.

Jolly began her federal career at DLA Distribution Red River in October 2005 as a distribution process worker. She rapidly advanced through the organization, earning a promotion to supply technician in May 2010 and transitioning to material examiner and identifier later that year. In December 2011, she became a lead supply technician.

She was promoted to supervisory distribution facility specialist in April 2014, managing classified and secure storage. In May 2017, she became a supervisory distribution facility manager, serving as a branch chief overseeing COSIS, security, hazardous materials and total package fielding within support operations. She was promoted to automotive production controller in April 2019, and subsequently to supervisory distribution facilities manager in April 2022. In this role, she directs the management and distribution of more than \$10 billion in major end items and repair parts.

Jolly holds a master's degree in supply chain management, graduating summa cum laude in May 2020. Additionally, she earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from Texas A&M University in May 2013, an associate degree in business administration from Texarkana Community College in May 2008, and a technical certificate in logistics management in June 2014. She completed the Advanced Program in Logistics and Technology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Kenan-Flagler Business School in September 2023.

Jolly completed the DLA Distribution Mentoring Program in December 2021 and the Department of War Acquisition and Sustainment Office of the Secretary of Defense Fellowship Program in July 2024. She is an active member of Beta Gamma Sigma, the National Honor Society and Toastmasters International.

Jolly's awards include the Meritorious Civilian Service Award and various performance awards.