



# Steve Eggensperger

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Colonel (Retired), USAF  
Vice President,  
Peregrine Integrated Management, Inc.



## Key Positions:

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**Veteran and Military  
Affairs Liaison to the  
Office of Arkansas  
Lieutenant Governor**

**Examiner on Arkansas  
Governor's Quality Award  
Board of Examiners**

**Veteran Support  
Coordinator, Tim Griffin  
for Arkansas Lieutenant  
Governor Campaign**

**Wing Commander (CEO)  
of 189<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing,  
Arkansas Air National  
Guard**

## Education

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**MS in Operations  
Management, University  
of Arkansas**

**BS in Electrical  
Engineering, United  
States Air Force  
Academy, Colorado**

## Certifications

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**Six Sigma Black Belt  
Kaizen Facilitator  
Airline Transport Pilot**

## Professional Summary

Steve is a retired Colonel with over 31 years of experience in the United States Air Force and the Air National Guard. As Vice President of Peregrine Integrated Management he manages daily operations for government and corporate contracts involving project management, quality management, and professional development training. He manages Peregrine's network of professional associate consultants and support staff and coordinates with strategic business partners to exceed contract expectations and create value for customers. He also serves as the Veteran and Military Affairs Liaison to the Office of Arkansas Lieutenant Governor Tim Griffin. Steve was selected to serve on the 2015 Arkansas Governor's Quality Award Board of Examiners, a Baldrige Organization, and he serves on the Board of Directors for both the Arkansas National Guard Youth Challenge Foundation and the Arkansas Veterans' Cemetery Foundation.

Steve's military career culminated with an assignment as Commander of the 189<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing of the Arkansas Air National Guard where the wing operated 20 large military transport aircraft and was comprised of multi-functional organizations including operations, logistics, aerospace maintenance, medical support and support services. In this position he exercised operational control over all personnel (active duty, guard, reserve) assigned to this DoD formal training unit. Operating on a budget of \$35M, the wing had a three-part mission: 1) train student aircrew members in all phases of aerial combat delivery operations, 2) prepare forces for worldwide expeditionary combat support deployments, and 3) maintain a state natural disaster response capability. The wing earned an "Excellent" rating by the AF Inspector General during the December 2012 Consolidated Unit Inspection and the wing was awarded the AF Outstanding Unit Award in 2013.

During his tenure as Wing Commander, the Arkansas National Guard pioneered the Rapid Augmentation Team concept to facilitate rapid response following domestic emergencies and natural disasters. Using established process improvement methodology, the wing reduced average emergency response time by over 60% while increasing the spectrum of available domestic emergency response options. This concept was recognized by the Air Force Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award Panel as a "Best Practice" that can and should be replicated in other states. Arkansas' Rapid Augmentation Teams have rapidly and safely responded during winter weather events, flooding, and tornado recovery operations to assist local authorities in saving lives, mitigating property damage, and restoring calm to adversely affected communities.

Steve is a Certified Six Sigma Lean Black Belt Professional and a Certified Kaizen Facilitator and he seeks to use his leadership and process improvement experience to help Arkansas businesses compete and win in the global marketplace.