Lieutenant Colonel John R Kirkpatrick Ohio Air National Guard Served March 25, 1965 – August 31, 2005

LtCol John R. Kirkpatrick entered military service on March 25, 1965, enlisting at Fort Hayes, Ohio, in the 37th Administrative Company, 37th Division, Ohio Army National Guard. His first six years of service were with the 37th Admin Co, Co B, 166th Infantry, and Det 1, 38th MPs.

After a two-year break, from 1971-1973, John reenlisted in the 1416th Transportation Company, May 1973, starting his full-time career as the 2d Administrative Supply Technician, in Columbus. He then moved to the 1st Administrative Supply Technician position at Akron Canton Airport, 1416th Transportation Unit.

John has served continuously for the last 28 years in the Human Resource Office, Columbus, starting in October 1976, as a Personnel Assistant. He held numerous positions over the years: Supervisory Personnel Mgmt Spec, Staffing Spec, Military Personnel Mgmt Spec, Active Guard Reserve (AGR) Manager; and, since February 1992, he served as the Technician Manager until his retirement on August 31st, 2005.

In 1979, LtCol Kirkpatrick enlisted in the Ohio Air National Guard and received his commission as 1st Lieutenant in 1980. John has served his entire Air Guard career in the State ANG Hq in Columbus, Ohio.

SCHOOLS: John graduated from Ohio State University in 1971, with a BS in Education. He graduated from the Academy of Military Science, Knoxville, TN, in 1980, where he received his commission. John completed the Air Command Staff College by seminar in 1985.

John was a civilian with the US Post Office in Columbus, Ohio from 1966 to 1968 and a Civilian Technician with the National Guard from 1973 through 1983. He has been on Active Duty since 1983 and will retire effective 31 August 2005.

LtCol Kirkpatrick and his wife, Luaine (CW3 Ret), reside in Columbus, Ohio, and have one daughter, Jennifer. Jennifer and her husband, Scott Rodgers, have two children, Kirk and Zoe and reside in Lebanon, Ohio.

LtCol Kirkpatrick is a life member of the Ohio National Guard Officer Association, Air Force Association (Rickenbacker Chapter), belongs to the American Legion and The Disabled American Veterans Organization.

John has been a member of the Sharon Woods Civic Association (part of Northland Community Council) for the past 28 years and has been a Trustce and Officer the past 10 years. Currently he is the President of the Sharon Woods Civic Association and his wife (a retired Army Warrant Officer) is the Treasurer.

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