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Biography

Ms. Cam Chinh Donohue, born December 1977 in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, grew up with non-English speaking parents in a low-income inner city and was the first of her family to obtain a college education. She earned an Aeronautical Engineering BS from California Polytechnic University with affiliation to the National Aerospace Engineering Honor Society, Sigma Gamma Tau. She was competitively selected to attend the United States Naval Test Pilot School (USNTPS), graduating through the Airborne Systems curriculum in 2007. She is currently enrolled in the US Naval War College Fleet Seminar program and participating in the prestigious Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) Leadership Development Program.

She began her career with the Department of Defense in 2000, supporting design, development, and testing of advanced propulsion technology, quickly rising to a number of leadership positions including: Future Naval capabilities air-breathing rocket motor technology demonstrator propulsion lead; System Integrator and Flight Test Engineer (FTE) for the Anti-Radiation Missile program; H-1 legacy and upgrades platforms Lead FTE; CH-53K Rotors Technical Lead; and F-35 JSF Mission Systems Lead. Her technical expertise spans across air-breathing and solid motor design, manufacturing, and certification; weapon system integration and developmental test; and mission systems test and evaluation across fixed/rotary wing platforms. Her contributions directly led to the deployment of aircraft and mission systems with improved capability, lethality, and survivability to fulfill critical United States Navy and United States Marine Corps (USMC) Fleet needs.

Ms. Donohue was named 2010 National Defense Industrial Association USMC FTE of the Year. She was awarded the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award in 2010, and awarded the 2012 Women of Color, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Professional Achievement Special Recognition award. In addition to her professional commitments, Ms. Donohue has immersed herself with improving her civic community through educational outreach to underrepresented youth and community support to provide basic needs to low-income families. Ms. Donohue's self driven obligation to technical excellence and community service makes her a superior role model in her professional and civic communities.