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Colonel Robert H. Epstein is commander of the Air Force Agency for Modeling and Simulation (AFAMS), which is the lead agent for centralized management of Air Force cross-functional and shared live, virtual and constructive operational training (LVC-OT) foundational capabilities and resources supporting the Air Force service core functions. As commander, Colonel Epstein is responsible for overseeing Air Force initiatives for enterprise solutions that will help build an efficient foundation to achieve “Readiness Thru LVC,” and allow warfighters to maximize performance and decision-making.

Colonel Epstein received his commission through Air Force ROTC at the University of Cincinnati in 1995. He holds advanced academic degrees from Central Michigan University, Air Command and Staff College, Air War College and is a graduate of the Joint and Combined Warfighting School. He is a Joint Staff Officer who has held various operational, test and staff assignments and is a Navigator and Electronic Warfare Officer (EWO) who has flown operationally in support of Operations NORTHERN WATCH, SOUTHERN WATCH, JOINT GUARDIAN, JOINT ENDEAVOR, and ENDURING FREEDOM. Additionally, Colonel Epstein was the Chief of Joint Fires for the NATO mission in Afghanistan in 2009, responsible for planning, processing and prioritizing all close air support; and Chief EWO for NATO's combat mission in Libya in 2011, where he was directly responsible for all Coalition Electronic Warfare and Suppression of Enemy Air Defenses. Colonel Epstein has commanded at the squadron level and prior to his current assignment, served as the Director of the Commander's Action Group and Section Commander for the Air Force District of Washington (AFDW) and the 320th Air Expeditionary Wing, the air component of Joint Task Force – National Capital Region in direct support of the 58th Presidential Inauguration. As Section Commander, Colonel Epstein was the Uniform Code of Military Justice authority for Airmen located within the NCR, selected Field Operating Agencies, and selected Air Force elements.