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He was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force in 1979 through the Officers Training School, Lackland AFB, Texas. His 20 year Air Force career was in Contract and Acquisition Management. Mr. Pritchard's assignments/positions included having been a Director of Contracts on two major System Program Offices at the National Reconnaissance Office; Commander, Defense Contract Management Office, Buffalo, NY; Deputy Director of Contracts, Secretary of Air Force Special Projects (SAF/SP); Procuring Contracting Officer on the Navstar GPS Program, Los Angeles AFB; Chief of Supply, Los Angeles AFB, CA.

After retiring in 1999, Mr. Pritchard went to private industry. He was Manager, Contracting and Pricing for the Boeing Company supporting the National Missile Defense Program. He then worked for Raytheon as Manager, Business Development for Air Force Space and Special Programs.

Mr. Pritchard came to Defense Acquisition University in 2001. During his time here he has been a Course Manager, Director of A-76 Competitive Sourcing Program, and has taught most of the DAU contracting courses. In April 2005, he joined the School of Program Managers and has been supporting executive level courses since that time. In addition, Mr. Pritchard supports numerous performance support efforts providing buying activities consulting services.

Mr. Pritchard received his Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Oklahoma in 1974 and his Master of Science in Procurement and Acquisition Management from Northrop University, Los Angeles, California in 1987