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Colonel James K. Choung is currently the Joint Project Manager for Guardian at Joint Program Executive Office for Chemical and Biological Defense (JPEO-CBD).

He is married to Ji Choung & they have three daughters Lizzie, Madeline & Christine.

Colonel Choung was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in Field Artillery upon graduation from the US Military Academy at West Point. His military education includes Field Artillery Officer Basic & Advanced Courses, Target Acquisition & Survey Course, Command & General Staff College, and Senior Service College (Korea National Defense University). He has a Master's degree in Biochemistry from Boston University School of Medicine & is a graduate of Defense Acquisition University Program Manager's Course. He is also a graduate of the US Army Airborne, Air Assault & Ranger Schools.

He served in various operational units in both command & staff officer positions before becoming an Army Acquisition Officer. He served as Platoon Leader and Artillery Battery Commander, Battalion Operations and Fire Direction Officer, and Assistant Brigade Fire Support Officer. Also, he served as Assistant Professor in the Department of Chemistry at West Point.

His acquisition assignments include Product Manager for Force Protection Systems; Director for Aviation & Intelligence, Electronic Warfare & Sensors and Deputy Director for Missiles, Ammunition & Chemical and Biological Defense at Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology); Deputy Director for Systems Support, and Assistant Product Manager for Detection for JPEO-CBD; and Army Test & Evaluation Command System Team Chair for Guided Multiple Launch Rocket Systems & High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems. During his tenure under the JPEO-CBD he has led the development, test, procurement & fielding of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear & Force Protection capabilities in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, and Freedom's Sentinel, and Counter Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (C-ISIL).

