

Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office

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DoD Announces Joe Larson as Deputy Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office, Algorithmic Warfare

Arlington, VA – The Department of Defense (DoD) announces Mr. Joe Larson to join the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office (CDAO) as Deputy CDAO, Algorithmic Warfare. Larson brings an extensive background in artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning from both industry and within the Department.

As Deputy CDAO, Algorithmic Warfare, Larson’s primary role will be identifying, delivering, and scaling digital and algorithmic technology solutions to warfighting challenges. He will lead the application of data, analytics, and AI to warfighting problems, including leading the AI and Data Acceleration (ADA) initiative teams at the Combatant Commands.

Ms. Margaret Palmieri, Deputy CDAO notes, “Joe is a big get for the newly formed CDAO. He is no stranger to the digital, analytics and AI world. As the current chief of Project Maven, he is one of a handful of senior executives in DoD who has applied AI to current military operational problems. We are excited about Joe’s expertise and commitment to the warfighter, which is essential as we build off the successes of the JAIC and take DoD adoption of AI to the next level.”

Larson most recently served as the Chief of the Algorithmic Warfare Cross-Functional Team (Project Maven) within the Office of the Undersecretary of Intelligence & Security, which he helped co-found in 2016. Joe led the technical execution and strategy to bring algorithm-based technology to warfighters. He is also a Marine Corps intelligence reservist who has served multiple deployments in support of contingency operations.