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Brigadier-General James Hawthorne, from Shelburne, Ontario, enrolled in the Canadian Forces in June 1994 and graduated from the Royal Military College of Canada (RMC) Kingston, with a Bachelor of Engineering – Civil in 1998. He received his wings in December 1999 and was posted to 443 Maritime Helicopter Squadron. He has commanded from the aircraft to wing level, including 12 Wing Operations and 12 Wing Shearwater. Most recently he served as the Canadian Air Force Advisor to the United Kingdom and Canadian Defence Attaché to Iceland.

His key staff experiences include Special Advisor 2 to the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff, Military Assistant to the Minister of National Defence, Canadian Joint Operations Command Deputy J3, and Canadian Joint Operations Command JX.

His deployment experience includes Op AUGMENTATION aboard HMCS Winnipeg in 2001, Op SEXTANT aboard HMCS Winnipeg in 2009 and Op LASER in 2020.

Brigadier-General Hawthorne assumed the duties of NORAD-USNORTHCOM Deputy Director Strategy, Policy and Plans on 25 July 2022.

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