

56 COMPTROLLER SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

56 Finance Disbursing Unit, Fighter, Jet constituted, 14 Jun 1948

Activated, 1 Aug 1948

Inactivated, 1 Nov 1949

Disbanded, 9 Aug 1950

Reconstituted, redesignated 56 Comptroller Squadron and activated, 15 Aug 1988

Inactivated, 4 Jan 1994

Activated, 1 Apr 1994

STATIONS

Selfridge AFB, MI, 1 Aug 1948–1 Nov 1949

MacDill AFB, FL, 15 Aug 1988–4 Jan 1994

Luke AFB, AZ, 1 Apr 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

56 Air Base Group 1 Aug 1948-1 Nov 1949

56 Tactical Training (later, 56 Fighter) Wing, 15 Aug 1988-4 Jan 1994; 1 Apr 1994

COMMANDERS

Unknown, 15 Aug 1988

Maj Joseph J. Waters, 13 Sep 1988

Maj Clinton T. Johnson, 4 Oct 1989

Maj Richard B. Weathers, 14 Feb 1992-4 Jan 1994

Maj Eugene Dacus, 1 Apr 1994

Maj Etoya B. Hearon, 15 Aug 1994

Maj Janet A. Young, 25 Nov 1996
Lt Col Robert M. Smith, 30 Jul 1998
Lt Col Michael R. Shaw, 11 Jul 2000
Maj Roy C. Russell, 16 Jul 2002
Lt Col Kent I. Meredith, 1 Jul 2004
Lt Col Vernett Smith, 20 Jun 2007
Lt Col Quy H. Nguyen, 20 Jul 2009
Maj Jessi Schaefer, 7 Jul 2011
Maj Scott E. Smith, 12 Jul 2013

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 May 1987-30 Apr 1989

1 May 1989-30 Apr 1990

1 May 1990-30 Apr 1991

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1996

1 Jul 1996-30 Jun 1998

1 Jul 1998-30 Jun 2000

1 Jul 2001-30 Jun 2003

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1 Jul 2005-30 Jun 2006

1 Jul 2006-30 Jun 2007

1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2008

1 Jul 2008-30 Jun 2009

1 Jul 2009-30 Jun 2010

1 Jul 2010-30 Jun 2011

1 Jul 2011-30 Jun 2012

1 Jul 2012-30 Jun 2013

EMBLEM



56 Comptroller Squadron emblem

56 Comptroller Squadron emblem: On a disc Azure, beneath a moneybag Argent, banded and charged with a dollar sign Sable, emitting two lightning flashes chevronwise Or, a demi-coyote statant Proper, langued Gules, armed and eyed of the second, all within a narrow border Black. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "56TH COMPTROLLER SQ" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "COYOTES" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The coyote signifies the adaptability of the unit to overcome restraints and adverse conditions to accomplish the mission, just as the coyote adapts to its surroundings to survive. The moneybag reflects the fiscal responsibilities of the unit. The lightning flashes stand for the unit's quick and flawless execution of the mission.

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