

56th Comptroller Squadron

Lineage.

Constituted 56th Finance Disbursing Unit,
Fighter, Jet, on 14 June 1948.

Activated on 1 August 1948.

Inactivated on 1 November 1949.

Disbanded on 9 August 1950.

Reconstituted, redesignated 56th
Comptroller Squadron, and
activated, on 15 August 1988.

Inactivated on 4 January 1994.¹

Activated on 1 April 1994.²

Honors.

Decorations.

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

- 1 May 1987-30 April 1989³
- 1 May 1989-30 April 1990⁴
- 1 May 1990-30 April 1991⁵
- 1 July 1994-30 June 1996⁶
- 1 July 1996-30 June 1998⁷
- 1 July 1998-30 June 2000⁸
- 1 July 2001-30 June 2003⁹
- 1 June [July] 2003-30 June 2005¹⁰
- 1 July 2005-30 June 2006¹¹
- 1 July 2006-30 June 2007¹²
- 1 July 2007-30 June 2008¹³
- 1 July 2008-30 June 2009¹⁴



¹ ACC SO GB-18, 30 December 1993

² AETC SO G-34, 25 March 1994

³ TAC SO GA-053, 29 August 1989

⁴ TAC SO GA-048, 16 August 1990

⁵ TAC SO GA-069/1991

⁶ AETC SO GA-18/1996

⁷ AETC SO GA-12/1998

⁸ AETC SO GA-9/2000

⁹ AETC SO GA-55/2004

¹⁰ AETC SO GA-0052/2006

¹¹ AETC SO GA-045/2007

¹² AETC SO G-054/2008

¹³ AETC SO G-071/2009

Decorations. (Continued)

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (Continued)

1 July 2009-30 June 2010¹⁵

1 July 2010-30 June 2011¹⁶

1 July 2011-30 June 2012¹⁷

1 July 2012-30 June 2013¹⁸

1 July 2013-30 June 2014¹⁹

Assignments. 56th Air Base Group 1 August 1948-1 November 1949; 56th Tactical Training (later, 56th Fighter) Wing, 15 August 1988-4 January 1994²⁰; 1 April 1994-.²¹

Stations. Selfridge Air Force Base, Michigan, 1 August 1948-1 November 1949. MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, 15 August 1988-4 January 1994.²² Luke AFB, AZ, 1 April 1994-.²³

Aircraft. None.

Emblem. Approved on 22 June 1989. Changed and approved on 28 August 2001.

Blazon. 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 "" in Yellow letters.

Motto. Coyotes

¹⁴ AETC SO G-025/2010

¹⁵ AETC SO G-086/2011

¹⁶ AETC SO G-171/17 April 2012

¹⁷ AETC SO G-036, 1 March 2013

¹⁸ AETC SO G-017, 1 February 2014

¹⁹ AETC SO G-029, 8 January 2015

²⁰ ACC SO GB-18, 30 December 1993

²¹ AETC SO G-34, 25 March 1994

²² ACC SO GB-18, 30 December 1993

²³ AETC SO G-34, 25 March 1994

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.

Commanders.

56th Finance Disbursing Unit, Fighter, Jet [1 August 1948-1 November 1949]

Unknown

Unknown

56th Comptroller Squadron [15 August 1988-4 January 1994; 1 April 1994-.]

Unknown

15 August 1988

Maj Joseph J. Waters

13 September 1988²⁴

Maj Clinton T. Johnson

4 October 1989

Maj Richard B. Weathers

14 February 1992-4 January 1994

Maj Eugene Dacus

1 April 1994²⁵

Maj Etoya B. Hearon

15 August 1994²⁶

Maj Janet A. Young

25 November 1996²⁷

Lt Col Robert M. Smith

30 July 1998²⁸

Lt Col Michael R. Shaw

11 July 2000²⁹

Maj Roy C. Russell

16 July 2002³⁰

Lt Col Kent I. Meredith

1 July 2004³¹

Lt Col Vernet Smith

20 June 2007³²

Maj (later Lt Col) Quy H. Nguyen

20 July 2009³³

Maj Jessi Rozman (later, Schaefer)

7 July 2011³⁴

Maj Scott E. Smith

12 July 2013³⁵

Maj Joseph E. Nicholas

26 June 2015-Present.³⁶

²⁴ 56 CSG SO G-95, 13 September 1988

²⁵ 58 MSS SO GB-002, 21 January 1993

²⁶ 56 MSS SO GB-002, 31 August 1994

²⁷ 56 CPTS SO G-2, 22 November 1996

²⁸ 56 CPTS SO 001, 30 July 1998

²⁹ 56 CPTS SO G-001, 5 August 2000

³⁰ 56 MSS SO 56 CPTS G-1, 16 July 2002

³¹ 56 MSS SO 56CPTS G-1 2004, 29 July 2004

³² 56 MSG SO MSG-07-06, 5 June 2007

³³ 56 FSS SO G-041, 16 July 2009

³⁴ 56 FSS SO G-021, 7 July 2011

³⁵ 56 FSS SO G-025, 12 July 2013

³⁶ 56 FSS SO GS-15-15, 7 July 2015

Narrative.

The squadron was constituted on 14 June 1948 as the 56th Finance Disbursing Unit, Fighter, Jet. It activated on 1 August 1948 at Selfridge AFB, Michigan, under the 56th Air Base Group. It inactivated on 1 November 1949 and was disbanded on 9 August 1950.

On 15 August 1988, the unit was reconstituted, redesignated as the 56th Comptroller Squadron, and activated at MacDill AFB, Florida. It was assigned to the 56th Tactical Training (later, 56th Fighter) Wing. The squadron inactivated on 4 January 1994.

When the 56th Fighter Wing moved to Luke AFB, Arizona, on 1 April 1994, the squadron reactivated under the wing. Today the 56th Comptroller Squadron delivers world-class decision support on all financial matters while deploying mission-ready Airmen.

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