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Mr. Christopher Clay joined DARPA's Tactical Technology Office as a program manager in January 2016. His interests include hypersonics, fixed- and rotary-wing platform development, munitions and aeropropulsion.

Prior to joining DARPA, Mr. Clay served as staff specialist in aerospace technology at the Department of Defense. In this role, he provided technical expertise on science, technology and acquisition programs across aeropropulsion, fixed-wing and rotary-wing development efforts; led the Joint Technology Office on Hypersonics; and was a member of the Air Platform Community of Interest Steering Group. He has also worked as technical advisor at the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL); director of engineering at the Air Armament Center at Eglin Air Force Base; and held various other technical and managerial positions across the Department of Defense. Additionally, Mr. Clay served as an Air Force officer.

Mr. Clay holds a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from the University of Memphis. He also received Master of Science degrees in mechanical engineering from the University of Dayton, in management of technology from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and in national security resource strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.