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*Field Marketing at USMC Aviation East  
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Since August of 2005, John Gumbel has been Integrated Logistics' Public-Private Partnering lead and manager of Boeing's Eastern Regional Support Office located in Havelock, NC. John also became the Field Marketing lead for USMC Aviation East in 2009.

John's mission is to help the programs support the fleet by efficiently sustaining their platforms and to maintain current and grow future business. The support office increases Boeing's presence in the customer's location and creates a regional orientation towards support, customer relationships, and supplier relationships, especially with the Second Marine Aircraft Wing and the Navy's Fleet Readiness Centers.

A native of California, John received his BA in Economics from UCLA in 1977 and his MS in Defense Systems Analysis from the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA in 1987. He is also a 1998 distinguished graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces with an MS in National Resource Strategy and a graduate of the Program Managers Course at Defense Systems Management College, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

Commissioned in the Marine Corps via NROTC, John began his Marine Corps career as an aviation supply officer with Marine Air Groups 12 and 15 in Iwakuni, Japan and as the embarkation officer for the 31st Marine Amphibious Unit afloat in the Western Pacific. After that initial tour, John switched specialties

and was designated a Naval Flight Officer. Following Electronic Warfare training at Mather AFB and NAS Whidbey Island he was designated an Electronic Countermeasures Officer (ECMO) in the EA-6B aircraft. He reported to Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 2 (VMAQ-2) in June 1981 where he served as an ECMO and a maintenance officer. He deployed twice to the Western Pacific and aboard the USS Saratoga in the Mediterranean before transferring to the Naval Postgraduate School in 1985. He served his postgraduate payback tour as the Reserve Enlisted Manpower Analyst at HQMC from 1987 to 1990. Following Aviation Maintenance Officer School and refresher training in the EA-6B, John reported to VMAQ-2 in January 1991 in Shaikh Isa, Bahrain, for service during the Gulf War. He served as the maintenance officer for VMAQ-2 after their return to the U.S. and as the Executive Officer of VMAQ-1, deploying to the Western Pacific with VMAQ-1.

John transferred to the Naval Air Systems Command in June 1994 where he served as the EA-6B Class Desk (systems engineer) until July 1997. He attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces during the 1997-98 class year and reported to the Joint Staff in June 1998. During his two-year joint tour, John worked in J-39, Information Operations, where he focused on Electronic Warfare and special access program issues. From June 2000 to June 2001, John was the Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition.

John became the Executive Officer of Naval Air Depot Cherry Point, NC in July 2001 and the Commanding Officer in July 2003, leading NADEP Cherry Point until June 2005. The depot is responsible for providing maintenance, engineering and logistics support on a variety of military aircraft, engines and components. Employing 4,000 personnel on an annual budget of approximately \$800M, the facility is North Carolina's largest industrial employer east of I-95. John transitioned to civilian life following his tour at NADEP Cherry Point and began working for The Boeing Company in August 2005.