



**Mike Barker, Sr Director of Operations at Stratolaunch.**  
[LinkedIn](#)

Mike Barker is the Sr Director of Operations at Stratolaunch. In this capacity, he is responsible for delivering the company's flight operations, including flight test planning & execution, aircraft maintenance, range coordination and operations engineering for all platforms.

Mike had a full career as an Aerospace Engineering Officer in the Royal Canadian Air Force. During his military career he was the Director of Aircraft Maintenance, the Director of Military Flight Test as well as the Director General Aerospace Equipment Program Management and Chief Engineer of the Royal Canadian Air Force, retiring as a Brigadier General having completed multiple operational deployments and command roles. Following his air force retirement, he worked as a Senior Engineering Manager for Amazon, including leading flight testing for Amazon's drone delivery program, Prime Air.

Mike holds a B.Eng in Mechanical Engineering and a Master of Defence Studies from the Royal Military College of Canada, a M.Sc. in Aviation Systems from the University of Tennessee, an MBA in Aviation Management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, and a M.Sc. in National Security Strategy from the U.S. National Defense University. He is a Distinguished Graduate of the USAF Test Pilot School as an Experimental Flight Test Engineer.