

Chris Schmitt recently retired from 30 years of service as a United States Army Special Forces “Green Beret.” He and his wife, Kristina, choose the Pacific Northwest to focus on family, quality of life and gain a connection with the community values found in small town America. During the past three decades, Chris has gained extensive experience facilitating the success of Partner Nation leaders, both General Officers and Government Leaders, in Afghanistan, Europe, Northwest Africa and Canada. He served as mentor, trainer and coach both in combat and uncertain environments at the strategic, operational and tactical level in Afghanistan, the Sahara and the Balkans.

Holding a Master’s Degree in Organizational Development from Central Washington University and Bachelors of Science in International Relations from the United States Military Academy at West Point, Chris is uniquely qualified to conduct cross-cultural mentoring, facilitate self-discovery and assist others to attain success. Inspiring high achievers to achieve heroic aspirations is his purpose as he works to become a corporate “Green Beret.”

Since retirement, Chris has conducted face-to-face executive coaching with Directors from Fortune 500 Companies, facilitated leadership workshops and led non-traditional, adventure-based, outdoor, leadership development. Chris teaches in the MBA Program at City University in Seattle and is embracing his new chapter of life. Mastering his own transition, Chris is passionate about support to the Veteran Community and serves as the Deputy Chapter Chair for the Seattle Chapter of Team Red, White and Blue.

Chris is a certified Birkman Method coach and possess a US Government Top Secret clearance. Regularly, Chris, Kristina, and their two children can be found hiking, biking, skiing and kayaking the mountains, logging roads and rivers near their home in North Bend, Washington.