

SERVICE ACADEMIES GLOBAL SUMMIT



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Welcome by Ray Jefferson

June 11, 2017

Dear Attendees at the 2017 Service Academies Global Summit,

On behalf of the Organizing Team, it gives us great pleasure to welcome you and your spouses, partners and guests to the 2017 Service Academies Global Summit (SAGS) this June 14-16, 2017, at the beautiful Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center!

Now in its third year, this endeavor started in 2015 with the vision of a historic and seminal gathering that would bring graduates of all five U.S. service academies together as a “Super-Community” for professional and leadership development, networking and engagement, learning from peers and renowned global leaders, sharing experiences and advocating service to society throughout one’s lifetime. Over time, this vision crystallized into the Purpose of the Service Academies Global Summit (SAGS) being “to develop, inspire and promote Fellowship, Leadership/Professional Development and Service for the “super-community” of graduates worldwide from the five U.S. Service Academies.”

The Summit is not a conference. It is a gathering of the service academy Super-Community as a community of mutual support - a gathering that provides an annual professional refresher, reunion, opportunity to form friendships with graduates from one’s sister academies, and a respite from our busy lives wherein we can pause, reflect, recharge and be inspired. The 5 trademark qualities that we seek to embody for SAGS Summits are informality, curiosity, fun, respect, and content that is relevant and actionable. The Summit gathering seeks to strengthen our shared bonds and to help each of us, and each other, to become better leaders and members of society.

The Summit is a nonprofit endeavor organized by volunteers and made possible by our sponsors. While you’re here, please take a moment to thank them and to share your impressions and suggestions with them. I would especially like to recognize the extraordinary contributions made to organizing this year’s event by the following individuals: Rob Gordon (USMA ’79, Senior Advisor), Jackie Stennett (USMA ’90, Advisor & VP of AcademyWomen), “T” Thompson (USAFA ’73, Advisor) and the USAFA AOG team (registration & finances), ADM (Ret.) Tom Fargo (USNA ’70, Advisor), Herman Bulls (USMA ’78, Advisor), Henry Stoeber (USNA ’88), Clay Petty (USNA ’15, website), Jane Whitfield (Sponsorship), Molly Dey (event management), and Kathryn Lively (website).

Welcome to the 2017 Service Academies Global Summit!

Sincerely,

The Organizing Team:

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Agenda Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Time	Location	Event
<i>Throughout the Summit</i>	<i>Gaylord</i>	<i>For Spouses, Partners and Guests - Information will be available at the Registration Desk for Sightseeing, Shopping and Area Attractions</i>
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Gaylord	Opening Reception
7:00pm	Gaylord	<p>Welcome & Summit Overview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome & Overview from SAGS Organizing Team Remarks by Mr. William "T" Thompson (USAFA '73), President and CEO, Association of Graduates, U.S. Air Force Academy Recognition of Sponsors & Partner Organizations Recognition of Presidents of DC-based Alumni Organizations <p>A Fireside Chat with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: The Honorable David H. McCormick (USMA '87), Co-CEO, Bridgewater Associates Moderator: Mr. Robert L. Gordon III (USMA '79), President, Be The Change <p>Dinner</p> <p>A Fireside Chat with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: The Honorable Charlie Bolden (USNA '68), 12th Administrator of NASA; Retired U.S. Marine Corps Major General; Former NASA Astronaut Moderator: CDR Kate Higgins-Bloom (USCGA '00), Response Officer and Cutterman, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads

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Thursday, June 15, 2017

Time		Event
9:00am - 1:00pm	Gaylord	<p><u>Deal Huddles</u> Host: Mr. Kelly Perdew (USMA '89), Managing Partner, Moonshots Capital; Winner of TV Show "The Apprentice: Season 2" Moderator: Mr. Oliver Tim-Rott, CEO, STS Capital M&A Advisory Inc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitated event for purposeful business networking and deal facilitation focusing on participants' "needs and leads." There will be a max of 20 participants per Deal Huddle.
8:30am - 1:30pm	Gaylord	<p><u>Career Workshop</u> 08:30am - 9:15am: Welcome & Updates from AOGs/AAs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome & Workshop Overview - Summit Organizing Team Sponsor's Introduction & Remarks - MajGen (Ret.) Chris Cortez (USMC), Vice President of Military Affairs, Microsoft Brief Updates from AOGs & Alumni Associations on Career Services for Alumni <ol style="list-style-type: none"> COL (Ret.) Todd Browne (USMA '85), President and CEO, West Point Association of Graduates CAPT (Ret.) Andrea Marcille (USCGA '89), President, U.S. Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association Mr. William "T" Thompson (USAFA '73), President and CEO, Association of Graduates, U.S. Air Force Academy Info on the SACC (Service Academies Career Conference) - CDR (Ret.) Dave Church (USNA '67), Director, Joint Service Academy Career Programs; and Ms. Michelle Mazanec, Director, SACC Career Conference Info on AcademyWomen's programs and resources - Ms. Jacqueline Stennett (USMA '90), Vice President, Academy Women Info on Joint Service Academy Business Mixer (JSABM) - Mr. Jess Posey (USNA '83), Head, JSABM Career Transition Resources in the DC area for Service Academy Grads - Mr. Carl Savino (USMA '78), President, Corporate Gray; Chair, Career Advisory Services, West Point Society of DC <p>9:15am - 10:30am: Best Practices for Navigating Transitions in Our Professional & Personal Lives Moderator: Dr. Al Chase, Founder, White Rhino Partners (executive coaching and executive recruiting) Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Dave Gowel (USMA '02), CEO, RallyPoint Ms. Kate Kohler (USMA '96), Principal, Korn Ferry Ms. Alaina Love, Creator of The Passion Profiler; Former Global Executive Director of Human Resources for Merck Ms. Lauren Murphy, Director, Career & Professional Development, Harvard Business School <p>10:45am - 12:00pm: Grads' Personal Stories of Career Navigation, Transition & Opportunities - Advice & Lessons Learned Moderator: LtCol (Ret.) Joe Wallis (USNA '86), Senior Military Engagement Manager, Microsoft Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Trier Bryant (USAFA '06), Head of University Recruiting, Twitter BG Cindy R. Jebb (USMA '82), 14th Dean of the Academic Board, U.S. Military Academy Mr. Joel "Thor" Neeb (USAFA '99), President, Afterburner Mr. John Tien (USMA '87), Managing Director, Citi; First Asian-American Cadet First Captain in West Point's history

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		<p>12:15pm - 1:30pm Professional Development Programs, Fellowships & Opportunities Moderator: Dr. Joseph McCarthy, Former Senior Associate Dean and Director of Degree Programs at Harvard Kennedy School Programs & Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Olmsted Scholars Program - MG (Ret.) Bruce Scott (USMA '72), President, The Olmsted Foundation • The White House Fellowship - Mr. Carlos Del Toro (USNA '83), President Elect, The White House Fellows Foundation and Association; President and CEO, SBG Technology Solutions • Harvard Business School - Mr. Chad Losee, Managing Director of MBA Admissions and Financial Aid, Harvard Business School • NASPAA (Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration) - Ms. Laurel McFarland, Executive Director, NASPAA (the global standard in public service education)
9:00am - 12:45pm	Gaylord	<p>Workshop - "All About Corporate Boards" 9:00am - 9:05am: Introductory Remarks & Setting the Stage Workshop Host & Convener: Mr. Herman E. Bulls (USMA '78), International Director & Vice-Chairman, Americas, Jones Lang LaSalle; Board Director for Tyco, USAA and West Point Association of Graduates</p> <p>9:05am - 9:50am: Roles and Responsibilities of Corporate Boards Moderator: Mr. Herman E. Bulls (USMA '78), International Director & Vice-Chairman, Americas, Jones Lang LaSalle; Board Director for Tyco, USAA and West Point Association of Graduates Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Joseph B. Anderson (USMA '65), Chairman and CEO, TAG Holdings LLC; Board Director for ArvinMeritor, Quaker Chemical, Rite Aid, Sierra Pacific Resources and Valassis; 2016 recipient of USMA Distinguished Graduate Award • General (Ret.) Lester L. Lyles (USAF), Chairman, USAA; Board Director for General Dynamics and KBR <p>9:50am - 10:30am: Stakeholder Expectations Discussion of the role and motivation of various groups - including regulators, institutional investors, and proxy advisors - and how and why they impact boardroom operations. Moderator: Mr. Henry Stoeber (USNA '88), Chief Marketing Officer, NACD (National Association of Corporate Directors); Board Director for Boulder Crest Retreat; Trustee for USNA A&SP Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Roel Campos (USAFA '71), Partner, Hughes Hubbard & Reed • Mr. John J. Gorman, Partner, Luse Gorman • Maj Gen (Ret.) Suzanne M. Vautrinot (USAFA '82), President, Kilovolt Consulting; Board Director for Ecolab, Symantec, and Wells Fargo <p>10:30am - 11:15am: Strategy and Risk Overseeing strategy and monitoring risk are the key components of a board's responsibility, but <u>what</u> does that mean as a practical matter and <u>how</u> can your board function as a strategic asset to the company? Directors and experts share both their thoughts and their war stories. Moderator: Mr. Henry Stoeber (USNA '88), Chief Marketing Officer, NACD (National Association of Corporate Directors); Board Director for Boulder Crest Retreat; Trustee for USNA A&SP Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Patricia "Tosh" Barron, Board Director for Teleflex; Former Board Director for USAA and others • The Honorable Louis Caldera (USMA '78), Former U.S. Secretary of the Army; Board Director for Belo Corporation

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		<p>11:15am - 12:00pm: Positioning Yourself for Boardroom Service & Polishing Your Pitch Learn how to frame and describe your skill sets in the context of adding value to the boardroom. Learn from sitting directors how they made their transition into directorship. Moderator: Mr. Herman E. Bulls (USMA '78), International Director & Vice-Chairman, Americas, Jones Lang LaSalle; Board Director for Tyco, USAA and West Point Association of Graduates Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Julian Ha - Partner and Practice Leader, Government Affairs and Association Practices, Heidrick & Struggles Mr. Patrick Prout (USNA '64), Managing Director for Financial Services, Diversified Search <p>12:00pm - 12:45pm: Peer Exchange Discussions Discuss what's on your mind with the experienced executives and board members in the room</p>
1:30pm - 3:00pm	Gaylord	Networking Buffet Lunch
3:00pm - 4:30pm	Gaylord	<p>Plenary Session #1: How the Academies are Developing Leaders Today to Meet the Global Challenges and Opportunities of Tomorrow</p> <p>Firestarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: Ms. Marene Allison (USMA '80), Chief Information Security Officer, Johnson & Johnson; President, West Point Women <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAPT Wes Huey (USNA '87), Permanent Military Professor & Former Director, Division of Leadership Education and Development, U.S. Naval Academy <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LTG Robert Caslen (USMA '75), 57th Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy VADM Walter E. Carter (USNA '81), 62nd Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy Lt. Gen. Michelle Johnson (USFA '81), 19th Superintendent of the U.S. Air Force Academy RADM James E. Rendon (USCGA '83), 41st Superintendent of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy
4:30pm - 5:30pm	Gaylord	Networking Social
5:30pm	<p>Gaylord</p> <p>To Be Announced</p>	<p>AOG/AA/Alumni Receptions & Dinner "On Your Own"</p> <p><u>West Point AOG Reception (5:30pm - 7:30pm)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host: COL (Ret.) Todd Browne (USMA '85), President and CEO, West Point Association of Graduates Guest of Honor: LTG Robert Caslen (USMA '75), 57th Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy <p><u>U.S. Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association Reception (5:30pm - 7:30pm)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host: CAPT (Ret.) Andrea Marcille (USCGA '89), President, U.S. Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association

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	Public House 199 Fleet St. National Harbor, MD Phone: 240-439-6120	<p><u>U.S. Air Force Academy AOG Reception (5:30pm - 7:30pm)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host: Mr. William “T” Thompson (USAFA ’73), President and CEO, Association of Graduates, U.S. Air Force Academy • Venue: http://www.publichousenationalharbor.com
	Gaylor National Pastime Sports Bar & Grill	<p><u>USNA Alumni Reception (5:30pm - 7:30pm)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosts: Mr. Jess Posey (USNA ’83), Head, JSABM; • Mr. Carlos Del Toro (USNA ’83), President Elect, The White House Fellows Foundation and Association; President and CEO, SBG Technology Solutions
	To Be Determined	<p><u>TBD - USMMA Alumni Reception (5:30 - 7:30pm)</u></p>

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Time	Location	Event
9:00am - 10:15am	Gaylord	<p>Plenary Session #2: What Are Today’s Top Geostrategic Challenges & Opportunities, and How Do We Address Them?</p> <p>Moderator: BG (Ret.) Mike Meese (USMA ’81), COO, AAFMAA; Visiting Distinguished Research Fellow, Institute for National Strategic Studies, NDU; Adjunct Professor, Security Studies Program, Georgetown University; Former Head, Department of Social Sciences, USMA</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General (Ret.) John F. Campbell (USMA ’79), Former Commander of the Resolute Support Mission and United States Forces – Afghanistan • The Honorable Michele Flournoy, CEO and Co-Founder, Center for a New American Security (CNAS); Former Under Secretary of Defense for Policy • Vice Admiral James G. Foggo III (USNA ’81) Director, Navy Staff • Admiral Charles D. Michel (USCGA ’85), 30th Vice Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard
10:15am - 10:45am		Break
10:45am - 12:00pm	Gaylord	<p>Plenary Session #3: What are the Secrets to How Academy Grads are Succeeding as Entrepreneurs in Today’s World?</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Doug Doan (USMA ’79), Founder, Hivers and Strivers</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Kimberly Jung (USMA ’08), CEO and Co-Founder, Rumi • Mr. Andrew Kemendo (USAFA ’08), Founder and CEO, Pair • Mr. Charley Moore (USNA ’87), Founder and CEO, Rocket Lawyer • Mr. Ronald Steptoe (USMA ’87), Founder and CEO, Warrior Centric Health

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Time	Location	Event
12:15pm - 2:15pm	Gaylord	<p>SAGS - AcademyWomen Luncheon with Keynote Speakers</p> <p>Opening Remarks: Ms. Jacqueline Stennett (USMA '90), Vice President, AcademyWomen</p> <p>Firestarter: Speaker: Ms. Sharon Hanley Disher (USNA '80), Author of First Class: Women Join the Ranks at the Naval Academy</p> <p>A Fireside Chat with Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GEN (Ret.) Janet Wolfenbarger (USAFA '80), Chairperson, Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS); First woman to achieve the rank of four-star general in the Air Force • LTG Nadja Y. West (USMA '82), 44th Surgeon General of the United States Army and Commanding General, US Army Medical Command; First African American woman to achieve the rank of three-star general in the U.S. Army and highest-ranking woman to graduate from West Point <p>Moderator: BG (Ret.) Dana Born (USAFA '83), Faculty Chair, Senior Executive Fellows Program, Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Former Dean of the Faculty, U.S. Air Force Academy</p>
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Gaylord	Break
2:30pm - 3:45pm	Gaylord	<p>Plenary Session #4: Social Impact: Positively Affecting Humanity</p> <p>Firestarter: Mr. David Y. Kim (USMA '88), Co-Founder & CEO, Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Robert L. Gordon III (USMA '79), President, Be The Change</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Anshul Arora (India), Founder and CEO, Edvance Group; Global Expert on Early Childhood and K-12 Education • Mr. Jake Harriman (USNA '98), Founder & CEO, Nuru International • Mr. Bill Rausch (USMA '02), Executive Director, Got Your 6 • BG (Ret.) Dana Born (USAFA '83), Faculty Chair, Senior Executive Fellows Program, Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Former Dean of the Faculty, U.S. Air Force Academy
3:45pm - 4:15pm	Gaylord	Break

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Time	Location	Event
4:15pm - 5:30pm	Gaylord	<p>Plenary Session #5: Lifelong Service and Principled Leadership - Living Our Academies' Missions</p> <p>Moderator: BG (Ret.) Timothy Trainor (USMA '83), President, Mount St. Mary's University; 13th Dean of the Academic Board, West Point</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. William "Bill" Murdy (USMA '64), Chairman, Thayer Leader Development Group; Former Chairman and CEO, Comfort Systems • GEN (Ret.) Norton A. Schwartz (USFA '73), President and CEO, BENS (Business Executives for National Security); 19th Chief of Staff of the Air Force • Vice Admiral Sandra L. Stosz (USCGA '82), Deputy Commandant for Mission Support, U.S. Coast Guard; Former Superintendent of the United States Coast Guard Academy; First woman to command a U.S. military or service academy; First female graduate of the Coast Guard Academy to achieve flag rank • Ms. Lani Hay (USNA '97), Founder, President and CEO, LMT Inc.; Named one of Fortune Magazine's Most Powerful Women Entrepreneurs
5:30pm - 6:30pm		Free Time
6:30pm - 7:30pm	Gaylord	<p>Closing Reception</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Recognitions
7:30pm	Gaylord	<p>Closing Summit Dinner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Remarks <p>Performance - The West Point Alumni Glee Club</p> <p>Dinner</p> <p>A Fireside Chat with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker: The Honorable Robert A. McDonald (USMA '75), 8th U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs; Retired Chairman, President and CEO of Procter & Gamble • Moderator: Dr. Chris Howard (USFA '91), President, Robert Morris University <p>Close of SAGS 2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A "Very Short" Summit Wrap-Up with Recognitions & Summit Thank You's • Picture-Taking (all welcome)

Speaker Information

Biographies



VADM Walter E. Carter, Jr. (USNA '81)
62nd Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy

Vice Admiral Walter E. “Ted” Carter Jr. became the 62nd superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy on July 23, 2014. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1981, was designated a Naval Flight Officer in 1982, and graduated from the Navy Fighter Weapons School, “Top Gun”, in 1985. He completed the Air Command and Staff College course and the Armed Forces Staff College. In 2001, he completed the Navy’s Nuclear Power Program. Admiral Carter’s career as an aviator includes extensive time at sea, deploying around the globe in the F-4 Phantom and the F-14 Tomcat. He has landed on 19 different aircraft carriers, to include all 10 of the Nimitz-Class carriers. He commanded the VF-14 “Tophatters,” as well as both USS Camden and USS Carl Vinson. His most recent Fleet command assignment was as Commander, Enterprise Carrier Strike Group, during “Big E’s” final combat deployment as a 51-year-old aircraft carrier in 2012. Prior to Annapolis, he served as the 54th President of the U.S. Naval War College. Admiral Carter has flown 125 combat missions in support of joint operations in Bosnia, Kosovo, Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan. He accumulated 6,150 flight hours in F-4, F-14, and F-18 aircraft during his career, and safely completed 2,016 carrier-arrested landings, the record among all active and retired U.S. Naval Aviation designators.



LTG Robert L. Caslen, Jr. (USMA '75)
57th Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy, West Point

Lieutenant General Robert L. Caslen, Jr. became the 59th Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point on July 17, 2013. LTG Caslen graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1975. He earned master’s degrees from Long Island University and Kansas State University. Previous to this assignment, LTG Caslen served as the Chief of the Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq. LTG Caslen’s prior deployments and assignments include serving as the commander of the Combined Arms Center at Fort Leavenworth, KS., the command that oversees the Command and General Staff College and 17 other schools, centers, and training programs located throughout the United States; commanding general of the 25th Infantry Division (Light) and commanding general of the Multi-National Division-North during Operation Iraqi Freedom; Commandant of Cadets for the U.S. Military Academy; Assistant Division Commander (maneuver), 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized); Chief of Staff, 10th Mountain Division (Light); Chief of Staff, Combined Joint Task Force Mountain during Operation Enduring Freedom; Chief of Staff, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).

LTG Caslen’s awards and decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Distinguished Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Defense Superior Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Legion of Merit with four Oak Leaf Clusters, the Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and the Meritorious Service Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters. He has earned the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, and is Airborne, Air Assault, and Ranger qualified.

Lt. Gen. Michelle Johnson (USAFA '81) *19th Superintendent of the U.S. Air Force Academy*

Lt. Gen. Michelle D. *Johnson* is Superintendent, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado. A distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1981, General Johnson completed graduate studies as a Rhodes Scholar before earning her pilot wings in 1984. She has served in various assignments in air mobility, airlift and tanker flying operations and training, academic instruction and personnel. She has commanded the 9th Air Refueling Squadron, the 97th Operations Group and the 22nd Air Refueling Wing. She has served as the Air Force aide to the President, an Assistant Professor of Political Science, and Associate Air Officer Commanding at the U.S. Air Force Academy. She was also the Director of Personnel for Air Mobility Command and Director of Air Force Public Affairs. General Johnson served as the Deputy Director for Information and Cyberspace Policy on the Joint Staff and as the Director, Strategy, Policy, Programs and Logistics, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. Prior to assuming her current position, she was the Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Intelligence, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Casteau, Belgium. General Johnson is a command pilot with more than 3,600 flying hours in C-141, T-41, KC-10, C-17, C-5 and KC-135 aircraft.



RADM James Rendon (USCGA '83) *41st Superintendent of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy*

Rear Admiral Rendón assumed the duties of the 41st Superintendent of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, June 1, 2015, after serving as Director, Joint Interagency Task Force West (JI-ATF West), the U.S. Pacific Command's executive agent for planning and conducting counter-drug strategy. Rear Admiral Rendón is a surface operations specialist with a diverse list of assignments over his 34 year career. He also served as a SECTOR Commander, a District Chief of Response, and as a Cutterman with afloat tours aboard *Durable*, *Ocracoke*, and the *Petrel*. Other operational ashore assignments consist of the Seventh Coast Guard District Intelligence and Law Enforcement Branch, Operations Officer for Group Key West, and Commander, Group Mayport.

Rear Admiral Rendón served as Aide de Camp to the 20th Commandant of the Coast Guard. He also completed a Congressional Fellowship, working for the House of Representatives, Government Reform Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, followed by a two-year assignment as Drug Policy Advisor to the Speaker of the House. A 1983 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy, Rear Admiral Rendón holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering and a Master of Science degree from the University of Illinois. He also completed study at the National War College, Class of 2005, where he earned a Master of Science degree in National Security Strategy.



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The Honorable Robert A. McDonald (USMA '75) **8th U.S. Secretary of Veteran Affairs**

Robert A. McDonald was the eighth Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Procter & Gamble (P&G). In 2014 as VA Secretary, McDonald launched VA's ambitious transformational journey to be the No. 1 customer-service agency in Federal government. The Harvard Business School's November 2016 study of VA's transformation judged that, thanks to Secretary McDonald's leadership, VA "had made impressive progress." By the end of his tenure in January 2017, all VA Medical Centers were providing Veterans access to same day services in primary and mental health care. At P&G, McDonald significantly recalibrated the company's product portfolio, adding nearly one billion people to its global customer base and growing the firm's organic sales by an average of three percent per year, growth reflected in a 2009 to 2013 P&G stock increase of 60 percent. A United States Military Academy Distinguished Military Graduate and Distinguished Alumnus, Secretary McDonald graduated in 1975 in the top 2 percent of his class. In 1978, he earned his MBA from the University of Utah. Secretary McDonald served in the Army with the 82nd Airborne Division.



The Honorable Charles F. Bolden, Jr. (USNA '68) **12th Administrator of NASA**

Bolden graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1968 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps. After completing flight training in 1970, he became a Naval Aviator. Bolden earned a Master of Science degree in systems management from the University of Southern California in 1977. Bolden's many military decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame in May 2006. Prior to Bolden's nomination as NASA Administrator, he was employed as the Chief Executive Officer of JACKandPANTHER LLC, a small business enterprise providing leadership, military and aerospace consulting. Nominated by President Barack Obama and confirmed by the U.S. Senate, Bolden began his duties as the twelfth Administrator of NASA on July 17, 2009. Bolden oversaw the safe transition from 30 years of space shuttle missions to a new era of exploration focused on full utilization of the International Space Station. He led the agency in developing a Space Launch System rocket and Orion spacecraft that will carry astronauts to missions in lunar orbit and enable the journey to Mars. He established the Space Technology Mission Directorate to develop cutting-edge technologies for the missions of tomorrow.



LTG Nadja Y. West (USMA '82)

44th Surgeon General of the United States Army and Commanding General, US Army Medical Command; Highest-ranking woman to graduate from West Point

LTG Nadja Y. West is the 44th Surgeon General of the United States Army and Commanding General, US Army Medical Command and is a graduate of the United States Military Academy with a BS in Engineering. She earned a Doctorate of Medicine Degree from George Washington University School of Medicine in Washington, DC. LTG West served as Deputy Chief of Staff, G1/4/6, Office of the Surgeon General, Falls Church, VA. Her most recent assignment was Joint Staff Surgeon at the Pentagon. As Joint Staff Surgeon she served as chief medical advisor to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. She completed the Army Medical Department Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, and also graduated from the Army Command and General Staff College and the National War College. Her awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, NATO Medal, Combat Medical Badge, Flight Surgeon Badge, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, and Gold German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge.



GEN (Ret.) Janet C. Wolfenbarger (USAFA '80)

Chairperson, Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS); First woman to achieve the rank of four-star general in U.S. Air Force

General Janet C. Wolfenbarger retired from the Air Force in July 2015. In her last assignment before retirement she served as Commander, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The command employs some 80,000 people and manages \$60 billion annually, executing the critical mission of warfighter support through leading-edge science and technology, cradle-to-grave life cycle weapon systems management, world-class developmental test and evaluation, and world-class depot maintenance and supply chain management. She was commissioned in 1980 as a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, where she earned a degree in Engineering Sciences. She earned a Master of Science degree in Aeronautics and Astronautics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1985 and a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in 1994. In 2013, General Wolfenbarger was awarded an Honorary Doctorate, Doctor of Humane Letters, from Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. After her retirement from the Air Force, in addition to serving as the Chair of the Defense Advisory Committee On Women In The Services (DACOWITS), General Wolfenbarger was elected to serve on the AECOM board of directors and as a trustee for the Falcon Foundation.

The Honorable David H. McCormick

Co-CEO, Bridgewater Associates

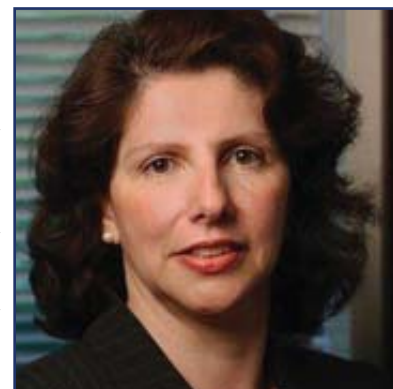
David is President and a member of the Management Committee for Bridgewater Associates, a global macro investment firm with over \$150 billion in assets under management, and the world's largest hedge fund. Before joining Bridgewater, he was U.S. Treasury Under-Secretary for International Affairs in the Bush Administration and prior to that Deputy National Security Advisor for International Economic Policy and Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration. From 1999-2005 David was an entrepreneur, serving as CEO of Freemarkets and President of Ariba, two publicly traded software companies, and earlier in his career he was a consultant at McKinsey & Company. David is a graduate of the US Military Academy at West Point and has a Ph.D. from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University. He is a former Army officer and a veteran of the first Gulf War.



Marene Allison (USMA '80)

Chief Information Security Officer, Johnson & Johnson; President, West Point Women

Allison is Vice President and Chief Information Security Officer for Johnson & Johnson, protecting the Information Technology (IT) systems and data worldwide through elimination and mitigation of IT risk. Prior to joining Johnson & Johnson, she was Chief Security Officer and Vice President for Medco, the largest pharmacy benefit manager in the United States. Before joining the corporate world she served as a Special Agent in the FBI working on undercover drug operations in Newark, NJ and also working on terrorist bombings in San Diego, CA. She developed and participated in the nuclear terrorism exercise, Compass Rose '88, the largest mock terrorism incident exercise by the federal government. Marene has a BS from The United States Military Academy, in the first class to include women. She has served in the US Army in the Military Police, at Ft Hood, TX, Ft Chaffee, AR and Ft McClellan, AL. She has served on the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services appointed by the Secretary of Defense and the Overseas Security Advisory Committee appointed by the Secretary of State. She is a founding member of West Point Women and currently serves on their Board of Directors.



Mr. Joseph B. Anderson (USMA '65)

Chairman and CEO, TAG Holdings LLC; 2016 recipient of USMA Distinguished Graduate Award

Anderson graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1965 with a BS in math and engineering. He earned masters degrees from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1972 and 1973. Mr. Anderson attended the Army's Command and General Staff College in 1977 and is a 1984 graduate of the Harvard Advanced Management Program. In June 2007 he received an honorary doctor of management degree from Kettering University and in December 2013 an honorary doctor of commercial science degree from Central Michigan University. In May 2016 he received the distinguished Graduate Award from West Point Military Academy for his lifetime of achievement. His military awards include two silver stars, five bronze stars, three Army Commendation Medals, and eleven Air Medals. He resigned in 1978 after 13 years of service and early selection for promotion to lieutenant colonel. In 1977, Anderson was selected to be a White House Fellow and was special assistant to Secretary of Commerce. Anderson began his business career with General Motors in 1979 and serves on the board of directors of Rite Aid Corporation, Business Leaders for Michigan, Wynnchurch Capital, the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago-Detroit Branch, and on the board of trustees for Central Michigan University.



Mr. Anshul Arora (India)

Founder and CEO of Edvance Group; Global Expert on Early Childhood and K-12 Education

Anshul Arora is the Founder and CEO of Edvance Group, an organization setup in 2008 to draw on global best practice and provide solutions to educational problems facing India. The group's first initiative Edvance Pre-Schools is a joint venture with EtonHouse International based in Singapore. The organization delivers joyful, holistic, child centric and experiential learning across 50 preschools in major cities in India under the brands Vivero and Serra International. The group is now extending this philosophy through the setup of quality primary and secondary schools. Prior to founding Edvance, Anshul worked with McKinsey & Company on projects across Asia, Europe and the United States focused on international development work with government and not for profit clients. He has a B.A. in Economics from Amherst College and an M.B.A from Harvard Business School. Anshul is an advocate of educational reform and believes that every child has the right to a high quality education and that human capital development is the cornerstone to international development and poverty reduction.



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Ms. Patricia "Tosh" Barron

Board Director for Aramark Corporation, Global Crossing North America, Reynolds Metals Company, Teleflex and USAA

Barron served on seven corporate boards, most recently as Lead Director of Teleflex Corporation, Lead Director of Quaker Chemical Corporation and Vice Chair of USAA. Her earlier corporate boards were Aramark; Frontier; Ultralife; and Reynolds Metals. She is an Advisor to Trewstar, which places women on boards. Barron was recognized as one of the Top 100 Board Directors by NACD in 2014, and is on the board of Business Executives for National Security and the Advisory Board of Veterans Trans Atlantic Partnership. Her past nonprofits include Edna McConnell Clark Foundation; Hurricane Island Outward Bound School; International Trachoma Initiative; National Committee for Education and the Economy; Research Corporation for Scientific Advancement; and St. Joseph's College. She served as a member of the Visiting Committee of Harvard Business School. Memberships include Committee of 200; Economic Club of New York; Paradigm for Parity; Women Corporate Directors. Barron worked as a Consultant at McKinsey and Company and then joined Xerox Corporation, rising to Corporate Officer. She was Chief Information Officer; President of the Office Products Division; and President of the Engineering Systems Division. Barron has an MBA from Harvard Business School and a Diploma from Bedford College of Physical Education.



BG (Ret.) Dana H. Born, Ph.D. (USAFA '83)

Faculty Chair, Senior Executive Fellows Program, Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Former Dean of the Faculty, U.S. Air Force Academy

Dr. Dana Born is the Faculty Chair of the Senior Executive Fellows Program and a Lecturer in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. She is a 1983 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy - serving two terms as the Dean of the Faculty and previously as Department Chair for the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership. Earlier she served as Exchange Officer with the Royal Australian Air Force, Aide and Speechwriter for the Secretary of the Air Force, 11th Mission Support Squadron Commander and in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Dr. Born received her B.S. in Behavioral Sciences from USAFA, M.S. in Experimental Psychology from Trinity University, TX, M.A. in Research Psychology from University of Melbourne and Ph.D. in Industrial and Organizational Psychology from Penn State University. She received Penn State's Alumni Fellow Award and an Honorary Doctorate from Simmons College. Dr. Born is a Senior Consultant for the Authentic Leadership Institute, President of the Massachusetts Women's Forum and has served as a Director or Trustee on various public, private and non-profit Boards. She is married to a career Marine officer and has two daughters, one currently a cadet at the USAF Academy.



Col (Ret.) Todd Browne (USMA '85)

President & CEO, West Point Association of Graduates

Army Col. Todd Browne, USMA Class of 1985, is WPAOG's President and CEO. Browne has served as the Association's Chief Operating Officer since 2014. He has extensive experience at West Point, having served as the Admissions Executive Officer, an instructor in the Department of Social Sciences, and as the Director of Academy Advancement, a position on the Superintendent's staff responsible for alumni support, private giving programs, gift fund management and privately funded construction. Browne's professional career and volunteer service span nearly 20 years of experience engaging West Point graduates, friends, parents and Academy staff and faculty. Browne graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1985 with a BS in Economics, and holds an MBA from Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management. Prior to joining WPAOG in 2014, Browne served 29 years in the Army, retiring as a colonel. He was commissioned in the Field Artillery and later became a comptroller, serving in a number of financial management positions in the United States and Europe.



Mrs. Trier-Lynn Bryant (USAFA '06)

Head of University Recruiting, Twitter

Most recently, Trier was Vice President, Americas Diversity Recruiting at Goldman Sachs in New York City. Prior to Goldman Sachs, Trier was a Captain in the United States Air Force for seven years. She began her military career leading diversity efforts for the Air Force Academy Admissions Office. She then transferred to Illinois as a Network Engineer leading teams responsible for the audit, compliance management, configuration, and network security of Air Force networks globally. The team deployed every 6 months to secure networks supporting Operation Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Trier also deployed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba as the Computer Network Defense Chief responsible for analyzing unauthorized cyber activity supporting the detainee mission. In 2012, she deployed as the Chief Watch Officer for the 24x7 Network Operations Center for the Middle East. Afterward, she returned to the Air Force Academy to assist with diversity and inclusion efforts working directly for the Commandant of Cadets. Trier earned a B.S. in Systems Engineering with a minor in Spanish from the United States Air Force Academy where she played Division I volleyball.

Mr. Herman E. Bulls (USMA '78)

International Director & Vice-Chairman, Americas, Jones Lang LaSalle; Director, West Point Association of Graduates
Herman Bulls is President of Bulls Advisory Group, LLC, a real estate advisory firm serving the needs of corporations, governments and College & Universities. Prior to forming the Bulls Advisory Group, LLC in September, 2001 he served as the Chief Operating Officer of one of the nation's largest and most active Fannie Mae Delegated Underwriting and Servicing (DUS) apartment lenders. Mr. Bulls completed almost 12 years of active duty service with the United States Army. His duty assignments included working in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Social Sciences at West Point. He has completed the Army's Airborne, Ranger and Command and General Staff College courses and served overseas in the Republic of Korea. He is currently a Colonel in the Army Reserves. Mr. Bulls received a BS in engineering from the United States Military Academy and a MBA in finance from Harvard Business School. He is a member of the Executive Leadership Council, an organization of senior African American business executives from Fortune 500 companies, and currently serves as Chairman of the Executive Leadership Foundation.



The Honorable Louis E. Caldera (USMA '78)

Former Secretary of the U.S. Army

Louis E. Caldera is a professor of leadership at The George Washington University and a senior fellow at the GW Cisneros Hispanic Leadership Institute. The former Secretary of the Army, Caldera has served in numerous leadership roles, including as an Army officer, university president and in two presidential administrations. Following graduation from West Point and service as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army, Caldera earned law and business degrees from Harvard University. In September 1997, Caldera received a presidential appointment as a Managing Director of the Corporation for National and Community Service, and in July 1998 was appointed by President Clinton to serve as the nation's 17th Secretary of the Army, a position he held until January 2001. He served on President-elect Obama's Department of Defense Transition Team and his White House staff, serving as an Assistant to the President and Director of the White House Military Office. A member of the Council on Foreign Relations, Caldera has served on numerous boards, including Southwest Airlines Co., Iomega Corporation, Career Education Corporation, IndyMac Bancorp., Inc., and Belo Corp. He currently serves on the board of A.H. Belo Corp., the parent company of The Dallas Morning News.



Gen (Ret.) John Campbell (USMA '79)

Former Commander of the Resolute Support Mission and United States Forces - Afghanistan

Gen. Campbell assumed duties as the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army, March 8, 2013. He graduated with a BS from the United States Military Academy in 1979 with a commission in the Infantry. Campbell holds a master's degree in Public Administration from Golden Gate University. He is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the Army War College. During more than 33 years of service, he has commanded units at every echelon from platoon to division, with duty in Germany, Haiti, Iraq, Afghanistan and the United States. Most recently, he served as the Commanding General, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, KY, and led the division as Combined Joint Task Force 101 during OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM. Campbell's awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, two Legions of Merit, three Bronze Star Medals, two Defense Meritorious Service Medals, six Meritorious Service Medals, the Air Medal, the Joint Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Combat Action Badge, the Master Parachutist Badge, the Pathfinder Badge, the Ranger Tab, and the Special Forces Tab.



Mr. Roel Campos (USAFA '71)

Partner, Hughes Hubbard & Reed

Roel Campos is a partner in the firm's Washington, DC, office and is chair of the Securities Enforcement practice. Beginning in 2002, Campos was appointed twice by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the US Senate as a commissioner of the SEC, and served until 2007. During his tenure, Campos presided over hundreds of complex enforcement cases, applying the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Company Act of 1940 and the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. From 2008 - 2013, Campos served with US Department of Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel and other national security experts on the President's Intelligence Advisory Board (PIAB), the oldest and one of the most prestigious of the presidential citizens' advisory boards. Prior to being appointed to the SEC, he was one of two principal owner-executives of El Dorado Communications, a radio broadcasting company headquartered in Houston. He began his career after graduating from the US Air Force Academy and served as an officer in the US Air Force. After attending law school, he worked in Los Angeles for major law firms as a corporate transactions/securities lawyer and litigator. Campos serves on several corporate boards.



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Dr. Al Chase

Founder, White Rhino Partners (executive coaching and recruiting)

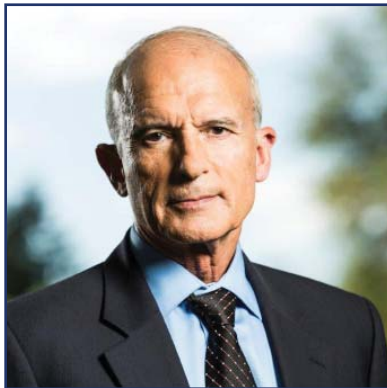
Chase earned his BA in Sociology from Wheaton College in 1970, and a Master of Divinity (summa cum laude) from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in South Hamilton, MA in 1978. He is founder of White Rhino Partners, an Executive Coaching and Executive Search firm specializing in working with senior executives who are Service Academy graduates with top-tier graduate degrees. They partner with a variety of industries while mentoring transitioning military personnel, especially Service Academy graduates, Special Forces - SEALS, Delta Force. Client companies include Fortune 100 as well as MIT spin-off start-up companies and other early stage companies. He was mentor and advisor to military veterans attending Harvard Business School, and an advisor to Dr. Nate Zinsser, Director for the United States Military Academy Center for Enhanced Performance. Clients are spread around the globe - with concentrations in Boston, New York, Washington, D.C., Texas, California, Australia, and Singapore.



CDR (Ret.) Dave Church (USNA '67)

Director, Joint Service Academy Career Programs

Church served five years as Deputy Director of Athletics at the US Naval Academy. He is in his 25th year at the USNA Alumni Assn in a range of positions including editor-in-chief of Shipmate, CIO, and Director of Alumni Services where in 1993 he co-founded the current Joint Service Academy Career Programs (SACC, iSABRD and JSAJE) with West Point, Air Force Academy, Coast Guard Academy and Merchant Marine Academy alumni organizations. Currently Director of Career Programs (23rd year) and Director of Special Projects, he has increased opportunities for service academy alumni as they transition to civilian careers. He facilitates alumni desiring advanced education (MBA or technical degrees), meeting prestigious university admissions personnel which offer veteran friendly programs. Church works with the USNA Foundation in executing class and individual philanthropic projects at the Naval Academy. He is serving his 35th year as USNA Class of 1967 class president.



MG (Ret.) Chris Cortez (USMC)

Vice President of Military Affairs, Microsoft

As vice president of Military Affairs at Microsoft, Cortez leads the company's engagement with veterans and military families. His responsibilities touch STEM education, veteran community engagement, high tech training and employment of veterans. Cortez is an advocate for Microsoft employees who have served in the military and is executive sponsor of the Military Veterans at Microsoft Employee Resource Group. With more than 33 years in the U.S. Marine Corps, he served in multiple locations, retiring as a major general. When he retired in 2004, Cortez was leading the Marine Corps Recruiting Command in Quantico, Va., recruiting more than 75,000 men and women. Before that, he was director of operations for the U.S. Pacific Command – overseeing operations for 300,000 military personnel – and he previously commanded Marines at the platoon, company, battalion and regimental levels, including during Operation Desert Storm. Chris not only advocates for education, he also mentors others. It's something he did in the Marine Corps and has continued to do at Microsoft. He earned a bachelor's degree in Spanish from Marietta College in Ohio and a master's degree in business management from Azusa Pacific University.



Mr. Carlos Del Toro (USNA '83)

President Elect, The White House Fellows Foundation and Association

As the founder, president, and chief executive officer of SBG Technology Solutions, Carlos Del Toro brings a formidable array of knowledge as a "hands-on" executive with experience in program management, joint and service specific military operations, systems engineering, telecommunications, information technology and legislative affairs. He is President (Elect) of the White House Fellows Alumni Association and Foundation, and a Director on the US Chamber of Commerce's Council on Small Business. He serves on the Board of Visitors of the University of Mary Washington and has served on numerous gubernatorial boards in Virginia. Carlos has been recognized through numerous awards including the Ellis Island Medal of Freedom, Hispanic Business Magazine recognition as one of the 100 Most Influential Hispanics in the United States, listing in Empire's "Who's Who" in America, the Hispanic National Achievement Engineer of the Year Award, and other military campaign and personal awards. Carlos holds Master of Arts and Master of Science degrees in space systems engineering, national security and strategic studies, and legislative affairs from the Naval Postgraduate School, the Naval War College, and George Washington University, respectively. He also holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Naval Academy, Class of 1983.

Sharon Handly Disher (USNA '80)

Author of book: First Class: Women Join the Ranks at the Naval Academy

Sharon Hanley Disher graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1980 in the first class with women and men and was the first woman to graduate from the Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Systems Engineering. Mrs. Disher served in the Navy Civil Engineer Corps for ten years including her last tour of duty as the Officer in Charge of Construction Battalion Unit 414 in New London, Connecticut, where she was the second woman in the navy to ever hold such a position. In 1998, Mrs. Disher published her book entitled *First Class - Women Join the Ranks at the Naval Academy*, a story about the first class with both women and men at the Naval Academy. She currently is the owner of Annapolis Redesigns, LLC and founder and director of Y.E.S. - Young Engineers and Scientists of Maryland, LLC. Today, Mrs. Disher teaches STEM at Annapolis Elementary School and other Title I schools where she is achieving her goal of growing our nation's next engineers and scientists. The Disher family is the first family whose members all attended the Naval Academy.



Mr. Douglas C. Doan (USMA '79)

Founder, Hivers and Strivers

Doan founded Hivers and Strivers, an angel investment group which invests exclusively in military veterans and particular graduates of the US Military Academies (West Point, Annapolis, Air Force and Coast Guard Academies). All of the H&S portfolio companies were launched by military veterans over the past four years and are now growing rapidly. The Hivers and Strivers portfolio consists of 10 different vet led companies. Doan also serves as the General Partner for the \$10m Hivers and Strivers Co-Investment Fund. He is a 1979 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He also attended the Defense Language Institute and holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School at Harvard University and a Master's Degree in Strategic intelligence from the Defense Intelligence College. Doan currently serves on the Board of Visitors for the National Defense University which provides oversight and review for the National War College, Joint Forces Staff College and Eisenhower School for National Security. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Distributed Energy Management Inc, lettrs, Fliptu and on the Board of the West Point Association of Graduates Development Committee. Doan is a member of the Angel



The Honorable Michele Flournoy

Co-Founder and CEO, Center for a New American Security (CNAS)

Michèle Flournoy is Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Center for a New American Security (CNAS). She served as the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy from February 2009 to February 2012 and was the principal adviser to the Secretary of Defense in the formulation of national security and defense policy, oversight of military plans and operations, and in National Security Council deliberations. She co-led President Obama's transition team at DoD. In 2007, she co-founded CNAS, a non-partisan think tank dedicated to developing strong, pragmatic and principled national security policies and served as its President until 2009. Previously, she worked at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and at the National Defense University, and in the mid-1990s she served as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Threat Reduction and Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy. She is a graduate of Harvard University and Balliol College, Oxford University, where she was a Newton-Tatum scholar.



Vice Admiral James G. Foggo, III

Director, Navy Staff

Vice Adm. James Foggo is a 1981 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and a native of Virginia. He is also an Olmsted Scholar and Moreau Scholar, earning a master's degree in public administration at Harvard University and a Diplome d'Etudes Approfondies in Defense and Strategic Studies from the University of Strasbourg, France. His sea duties include tours aboard USS Sea Devil (SSN 664), USS Mariano G. Vallejo (SSBN 658) and USS Narwhal (SSN 671). He commanded the attack submarine, USS Oklahoma City (SSN 723) in 1998, which was awarded the Submarine Squadron (SUBRON) 8 Battle Efficiency award and the Commander Fleet Forces Command Adm. Arleigh Burke Fleet Trophy for being the most improved ship in the Atlantic Fleet. Additionally, Foggo was a NATO Commander Task Force commander in Joint Task Force Unified Protector (Libya). In most recent assignment, Foggo commanded the U.S. 6th Fleet, Naval Striking and Support Forces NATO; deputy commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe; deputy commander, U.S. Naval Forces Africa; and Joint Force Maritime Component Commander Europe. Foggo assumed duties as director, Navy Staff in November 2016.



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Mr. Robert Gordon III (USMA '79)

President, Be the Change

Rob Gordon is President of Be the Change, Inc. and a member of the organization's executive board. Be the Change, Inc. is a social impact organization that creates and manages national issue-based campaigns. Previously, Rob was a senior executive at APX Labs, a high tech software smart glasses company. In 2010 Rob was appointed in the Obama Administration as the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Military Community and Family Policy, and spearheaded the creation of the Military Spouse Employment Partnership, an online employment initiative with more than 200 "Fortune 500+" employment partners. He was awarded the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service. Gordon is a Colonel US Army, retired, and completed a 26 year career in the U.S. Army, serving as an artillery officer, aide-de-camp to General Colin Powell, and head of American Politics at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, where he earned his BS. He earned a master's degree in public affairs from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University. He is the recipient of the Bernard Gill Urban Service-Learning Leadership Award from the National Youth Leadership Council; and Princeton University's Edward P. Bullard Distinguished Alumnus Award.



Mr. John J. Gorman

Partner, Luse Gorman

John J. Gorman is a partner in the Washington, D.C.-based law firm of Luse Gorman PC. He is a former special counsel to the chief counsel for the Corporation Finance Division of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Since leaving the SEC in 1984, Gorman has specialized in advising public companies on both transactional and general corporate and securities law. Gorman is a director of Assure Holding Corp., where he serves on the audit committee and chairs the compensation committee. Previously, he was a director of SmartPros Ltd., where he was a member of its audit committee and chair of its compensation committee. In 2016, Gorman served on the NACD Blue Ribbon Commission on building the Strategic-Asset Board. He also served as a commissioner on the 2004 NACD Blue Ribbon Commission on Board Leadership. Mr. Gorman received his BS from Brown University, and his law degree from Vanderbilt University School of Law.



Mr. Dave Gowel (USMA '02)

CEO, RallyPoint

Dave Gowel is the CEO of RallyPoint. He graduated from West Point ('02) with a BS in economics and a computer science engineering track. He then graduated from the U.S. Army Ranger school and began his military career during Operation Iraqi Freedom as an Armor platoon leader. He completed his six years of active duty service after teaching leadership at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) ROTC program, working daily with students at MIT and six other Boston area schools which led to his civilian career leveraging online social technology. Supporting 1.2 million military members and adding 1,000 members each day, Dave leads RallyPoint to bring economic, educational and health-related benefits to the service-members, veterans, and families of the military community.



Mr. Julian Ha

Partner and Practice Leader, Government Affairs & Association Practices, Heidrick & Struggles

Julian Ha is a Partner and Practice Leader with Heidrick & Struggles based in Washington, D.C. Julian leads the firm's Government Affairs and Association Practices and places Board members, CEOs and senior executives into public and private firms. Prior to executive search, Julian practiced as a corporate lawyer in Washington, D.C., New York, Singapore and London. Julian has also served as a Director in the Corporate Finance group of Evolution Securities China Limited, an investment bank based in London, UK. He has served on the Board of China Recycling Energy Corporation (CREG). Julian is currently a board member of the Public Affairs Council and National Association of Corporate Directors - Capital Area Chapter. Julian received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Cornell University, his Masters' degrees from the London School of Economics and Harvard University and his JD from The NYU School of Law. He attained a Certificate in Corporate Finance from The London Business School and holds a NACD Certificate of Director Education. He has also been published and quoted in CEO Update, Politico.com, The Hill, CQ Roll Call, USA Today and The New York Times on topics such as diversity, leadership and the search industry.

Mr. Jake Harriman (USNA '98)

Founder and CEO, Nuru International

Jake Harriman graduated with distinction from the U.S. Naval Academy (Class of 1998) and served seven and a half years as an Infantry and Special Operations Platoon Commander in the Marine Corps. He led four operational deployments, including two tours in Iraq and disaster relief operations in Indonesia and Sri Lanka after the Asian tsunami. Jake was awarded the Bronze Star for actions in combat during his second tour in Iraq. Jake's experiences convinced him that the "War on Terror" wouldn't be won on the battlefield alone: the contributing causes of terrorism - disenfranchisement, lack of education, and extreme poverty - must also be eradicated. Jake left his career in the Marine Corps and enrolled at Stanford Graduate School of Business to build Nuru International an organization focused on ending extreme poverty in remote, rural areas. Jake graduated with an MBA in 2008, and led a team to launch Nuru later that year. Since then, Nuru Kenya and Nuru Ethiopia have enabled over 100,000 people to lift themselves out of extreme poverty. Jake is a graduate of the Presidential Leadership Scholars Class of 2015.



Ms. Lani Hay (USNA '97)

Founder, President and CEO, LMT Inc.

Lani Hay sees the numbers and patterns present in the world, and has since her days as mathematics major at the U.S. Naval Academy. She leads LMT, a mathematic optimization company she launched in 2002 that allows business and government to transform otherwise ambiguous data into clear and actionable insight. Hay holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the College of William and Mary's Mason School of Business, and a Master's Certificate in Government Contracting from George Washington University. She applied her skills first as a U.S. Naval Intelligence Officer. At LMT she built a team of military veterans, mathematicians and economists who study the narratives from the frontlines of military operations, which enables LMT to predict and prevent troops and communities from getting hurt. She was named one of Fortune Magazine's Most Powerful Women Entrepreneurs and listed as #29 on the 2013 Fortune Magazine 40 Under 40 list. She serves on the Leadership Committee for Business Executives for National Security (BENS), and has taken leadership roles in Young Presidents' Organization (YPO), Women Presidents' Organization (WPO), and the Committee of 200 (C200). She is a graduate of Lead Virginia and the University of Virginia Sorensen Institute's Political Leaders Program.



CDR Kate Higgins-Bloom (USCGA '00)

Response Officer and Cutterman, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads

Commander Kate Higgins-Bloom graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in 2000 with a BS in Civil Engineering and earned a Master in Public Administration from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government in 2011. She is a member of the 2014-2015 class of White House Fellows. Most recently, she served as Chief of the Sector Hampton Roads Command Center, which coordinates "all hazards" maritime response, including Search and Rescue, for coastal Virginia. This summer, she will start at the Brookings Institution as a Federal Executive Fellow. She has held a variety of operational leadership roles afloat and ashore. Ashore, she served as Incident Management Chief and acting Response Department Head at Sector Boston. Afloat, she commanded USCGC BARANOF in the Arabian Gulf, and served as executive officer of USCGC TYBEE out of San Diego. Her staff assignments include Acting Chief of Staff for Legislative Affairs at the Department of Homeland Security, and membership on the transition team for the 25th Commandant of the Coast Guard. She is the recipient of the Presidential Service Badge, two Meritorious Service Medals, five Commendation Medals and assorted other personal, team, and unit awards.



Dr. Christopher B. Howard (USAFA '91)

President, Robert Morris University

Dr. Christopher B. Howard is the eighth president of Robert Morris University near Pittsburgh. Dr. Howard is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, where he earned a B.S. in political science in 1991. A Rhodes scholar, he earned his doctorate in politics at the University of Oxford and an M.B.A. with distinction from the Harvard Business School. Dr. Howard received the Campbell Trophy, the highest academic award in the country presented to a senior college football player, and is a member of the Verizon Academic All-America Hall of Fame. He is a member of the College Football Playoff Selection Committee, the Knight Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics, and the NCAA Honors Committee. A retired Air Force reserve lieutenant colonel, Dr. Howard served as a helicopter pilot after earning his doctorate, and then became an intelligence officer for the Joint Special Operations Command. Defense Secretary William Cohen asked Dr. Howard to accompany a 1999 U.S. delegation to South Africa as a political-military advisor. He was called back to active duty during 2003 in Afghanistan, and was awarded the Bronze Star. Dr. Howard also served as the Reserve Air Attaché to Liberia.



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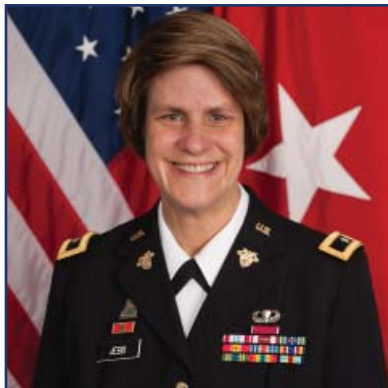
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CAPT (Ret.) Wes Huey (USNA '87)

Former Permanent Military Professor & Director, Division of Leadership Education and Development, U.S. Naval Academy

Captain Huey graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1987. He attended flight training in Beeville, Texas, earning his wings as a Naval Aviator in November 1989. Huey served as the Naval Aide to the President from June 1997 until April 1999. He completed his Department Head tour with the Knighthawks of VFA-136 in July 2001, and reported to the staff of Commander, US Naval Forces Europe, in London, UK, serving as the Strike Warfare Officer until March 2003. Captain Huey was selected in June 2006 as a Permanent Military Professor. He completed graduate training in Military Sociology and Social Psychology and received his Ph.D. from the University of Maryland College Park. He reported in June 2010 to the faculty of the U.S. Naval Academy, serving as Director, Division of Leadership Education and Development. He is now leading the effort to define and operationalize the integration of the moral, mental, and physical domains of development at the Naval Academy. His decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), the Strike/Flight Air Medal (three awards), the Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and various unit and campaign awards.



BG Cindy R. Jebb (USMA '82)

14th Dean of Academic Board, U.S. Military Academy

Brigadier General Cindy R. Jebb serves as the 14th Dean of the Academic Board. She received a Ph.D. in Political Science from Duke University in 1997, a MA in Political Science from Duke in 1992, an MA in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in 2000, and a BS from the United States Military Academy in 1982. She has taught courses in Comparative Politics, International Security, Cultural Anthropology, Terrorism and Counterterrorism, and Officership. Commissioned as a military intelligence officer, she served in the 1st AD, III Corps, Department of Social Sciences at West Point, and the National Security Agency (NSA). She has authored or co-authored three books, conducted human security research in Africa, completed study projects in Iraq and Afghanistan, and served as a senior advisor to the Chief of the Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq during the summer of 2015. A member of the Council on Foreign Relations, BG Jebb served as the Professor and Head of the Department of Social Sciences before assuming the duties as Dean. She is married to her USMA classmate, Dr. Joel Jebb, and they have three children.



Ms. Kimberly Jung (USMA '08)

CEO & Co-Founder, Rumi

Kimberly Jung is the CEO of Rumi, a company that sources the best saffron directly from Afghan farmers and is the largest private employer of Afghan women. After earning her mechanical engineering degree and graduating from the US Military Academy in 2008, she became an engineer officer. Kim deployed to Afghanistan in 2010 as a route clearance platoon leader. She is a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of CA and earned her MBA from Harvard Business School in 2015.



Mr. Andrew Kemendo (USAFA '08)

Founder & CEO, Pair

Andrew Kemendo is CEO and Chairman of Pair Inc., the largest Augmented Reality mobile commerce platform with thousands of active users worldwide. Prior to founding Pair, Andrew was an Air Force Intelligence Officer with the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington D.C. He managed the worldwide counterintelligence software portfolio servicing over 40,000 special agents, and served as a Human Intelligence officer for East Asia. He served in Iraq with Joint Special Operations Command assisting with the transition from Military to Civilian control of Iraq in 2010. Andrew is a recognized expert in Augmented and Virtual Reality and Machine Learning and has spoken on AR & ML topics to professional organizations and universities around the world. He has served as adviser to numerous Ambassadors in the Asia Pacific Region as well as the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Secretary of Defense on technology applications for strategic deterrence. Andrew received his BS in Economics from The United States Air Force Academy in 2008, and attended the National Intelligence University for a MS in Artificial Intelligence. While in the Air Force he received numerous individual and unit awards including multiple Air Force level awards, the Iraq campaign medal and the Defense Meritorious Service Medal.

Mr. David Y. Kim (USMA '88)

Co-Founder & CEO, Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation

David is a 1988 honors graduate of West Point and currently serves as the global co-head of investor relations for Apax Partners, a leading global private equity investment firm operating across the United States, Europe, Asia, India and Latin America. Founded in 1983, Apax is one of the largest private equity firms in the world having raised over \$40 billion in capital to provide long-term equity financing to growth companies around the world. David has been with Apax since 2000 and is responsible for fund raising and investor services in North and South America as the firm invests its latest pool of investment capital which is \$7.5 billion in size. David is a graduate of the Harvard Business School and has been in the private equity industry since 1994. David also served as an Airborne and Ranger qualified artillery officer in the U.S. Army where he participated in Operation Just Cause in Panama in 1989 with the 7th Infantry Division. He is married and has four children. His wife, and Fallen Patriots co-founder, Cynthia serves as the volunteer Programs Director for Fallen Patriots.



Ms. Kate Kohler (USMA '96)

Principal, Korn Ferry

Ms. Kohler is a U.S. Army veteran, with command experience in Kuwait, Bosnia and South Korea. She serves as a member of the West Point Association of Graduates Advisory Council. Ms. Kohler holds a master's degree in business administration from Harvard Business School and a master's degree in public administration from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. She earned a BS degree from The United States Military Academy at West Point. She is an Ironman finisher. Kohler co-leads the firm's Impact Investing Practice, serving as a specialist in the Financial Services Sector and leads the firm's relationship with the World Bank Group. Her clients have included the World Bank, the Vanguard Group, Union Bank, the Carlyle Group, Ford Foundation, USAA, WaterCapital, the Global Impact Investing Network, and Capricorn Investment Group. She has served military and veterans organizations in leadership succession projects including Wounded Warrior Project, Student Veterans of America and ThanksUSA. Prior to entering the talent management profession, Ms. Kohler was an executive in the financial services industry, most recently at the PenFed Foundation. As Chief Operations Officer and Corporate Senior Vice President, Ms. Kohler led the executive management in partnership with a global financial institution, Pentagon Federal Credit Union.

Mr. Chad Losee

Managing Director, MBA Admissions and Financial Aid, Harvard Business School

Chad joined the MBA Admissions and Financial Aid Office as Managing Director in May 2016. After graduating from HBS as a Baker Scholar in 2013, Losee worked for a year as an HBS Fellow in the Dean's Office. In that role, he collaborated with the School's senior leadership on a range of strategic projects. One such effort was at HBX, where Losee helped to launch and set strategy for this unique digital learning platform. In 2014, Losee returned to Bain & Company's Dallas office, where he had worked from 2008 to 2011. As a manager at Bain, Losee led consulting teams in client engagements across multiple industries. He graduated in 2008 from the Honors Program at Brigham Young University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in international relations summa cum laude.



Ms. Alaina Love

Creator of The Passion Profiler; Former Global Executive Director of Human Resources for Merck

Alaina Love is President and Co-founder of Purpose Linked Consulting and a recognized expert in leadership purpose and passion. She is co-author of the bestselling book, *The Purpose Linked Organization: How Passionate Leaders Inspire Winning Teams and Great Results*. Alaina has spent the last 18 years creating programs to support leadership and team development, with a focus on employee purpose, passion and well-being. With a research team from University of Michigan, Purpose Linked Consulting developed the Passion Profiler™ online tool that identifies and measures passions and reveals how they are used in the work environment. Today, Purpose Linked Consulting clients include Fortune 500 firms, government and military organizations such as NASA, the Department of Defense, the US Army and the EPA. Alaina is a graduate of the University of Michigan Ross School of Business Change Leadership Program, and has served as a leadership columnist for Bloomberg Business Week, The Washington Post, and Harvard Business Review online. She writes a popular monthly blog for SmartBrief on Leadership, which was among the most widely read columns in 2016. Her upcoming book, *Passionality*, explores the art and science of well-being, and provides tools for bringing purpose and passion into our daily lives.



Speaker Information Biographies



GEN (Ret.) Lester Lyles (USAF) *Chairman, USAA*

General Lyles received his B.S. in mechanical engineering from Howard University in 1968, his M.S. in mechanical/nuclear engineering from New Mexico State University in 1969, and Honorary Doctorate of Laws degrees from New Mexico State University in 2002, and Urbana University in 2009. He is a graduate of the Defense Systems Management College (1980), the Armed Forces Staff College (1981), the National War College (1985), and the National and International Security Management Course at Harvard University (1991). He entered the United States Air Force in 1968 as a graduate of the Air Force ROTC program. General Lyles became the Director of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization in 1996 and April 2000 he became the Commander, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB. He retired in October 2003. His many awards and decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, and the Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster. General Lyles received the "General Thomas D. White Award" for distinguished service in national security, from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 2012. In 2013, he was appointed to the Secretary of State's International Security Advisory Board.



CAPT (Ret.) Andrea Marcille (USGA '89) *President, U.S. Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association*

Andrea Marcille is the President of the United States Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association. CAPT Marcille retired from active duty in 2014 after serving more than 25 years in the Coast Guard. Her most recent assignments (Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard Leadership Development Center and Cadet Training Officer) saw her stationed at the Academy for the last nine years of her service. During her Coast Guard career she split her time with assignments at sea, including serving as Commanding Officer of USCGC PEA ISLAND and Executive Officer on the Barque EAGLE, and assignments within the Coast Guard Training System. In preparing for her transition to lead the Alumni Association she served on the Alumni Association Board of Directors from 2009-2012, where she was involved in the execution of the Association's greatest fundraising campaign to date—the L44 Project. She was also involved in the creation of the USCG Women's Leadership Initiative, a very successful endeavor that supports mentorship, networking and professional development opportunities for Coast Guard women and alumni. In 2015 CAPT Marcille completed a Certificate in Nonprofit Executive Leadership from the Lily School of Philanthropy at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.



Ms. Michelle Mazanac *Director, Service Academy Career Conference* *Asst Director, USNA Alumni Association Career Programs*

Mazanec began her career with USNA Alumni Association in the Membership Department, which is the foundation of the Naval Academy Alumni Association. She worked in Career Programs assisting alumni with career transitions to the civilian sector or transitioning within the civilian sector. She worked closely with the AOG/Alumni Associations of the federal service academies to ensure messaging to the alumni was consistent, and with alumni from all academies educating them on all facets of joint service academy career programs - SACC, iSABRD (internet Service Academy Business Resource Directory) and JSAJE (Joint Service Academy Jobs Electronically) and the differences/advantages to each in their career transition. As the computer teacher at the Naval Academy Primary School from 1996 to 2004 she established a curriculum for pre-k through 5th grade students. She trained staff and teachers on the uses of technology and how it could be integrated into the classroom, and was responsible for the maintenance and upgrade of all computer software and hardware located on the premises.



Dr. Joseph J. McCarthy *Former Senior Associate Dean and Director of Degree Programs, Harvard Kennedy School*

Joseph J. McCarthy holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in English Language and Literature from Boston College and an Ed.D. in Administration, Planning, and Social Policy from Harvard University. Dr. McCarthy retired from Harvard as Senior Associate Dean and Director of Degree Programs at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. In this position he had oversight responsibility for the administration of the school's several masters and Ph.D. programs, which annually enrolled 1000 students (half international from over ninety countries). He supervised a staff of sixty and oversaw admissions, recruiting and student services including Career Advising. In addition, he served as faculty co-chair of an annual Kennedy School executive program, designed to increase understanding among cross-sectarian and cross-sector leaders from both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. While at Harvard Dean McCarthy served on numerous standing and search committees and still serves, or has served, on a number of outside non-profit and college boards. He is recipient of numerous awards including the Harvard Kennedy School Dean's Award for Academic Excellence and a special citation for his work at the Kennedy School by Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick.

Ms. Laurel McFarland

Executive Director, NASPAA (the global standard in public service education)

Laurel McFarland has served as Executive Director of NASPAA since 2005. She brings a wide portfolio of previous experience: management of accreditation and quality assurance; professional experience in the economics of higher education and the strategic positioning of institutions in higher education; academic work in economic policy history; and active involvement in local government and nonprofit ventures. She holds degrees in public policy from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University and in graduate economics from Oxford University. At NASPAA, she has advanced public service through partnerships with other organizations, including projects to reform the Presidential Management Fellowship and contributing to the annual Public Service Recognition Week.



BG (Ret.) Mr. Mike Meese (USMA '88)

COO, AAFMAA

Mike joined American Armed Forces Mutual Aid Association (AAFMAA) as Chief Operating Officer in 2013. He retired from the United States Army as a Brigadier General having concluded his 32 year career as the Professor and Head of the Department of Social Sciences at the U.S. Military Academy. At West Point, he taught economics and national security courses and was the Director of the Economics program. He has written numerous articles and two books: the Armed Forces Guide to Personal Financial Planning and American National Security. He has served in a variety of strategic political-military positions including deployments to Afghanistan, Iraq, and Bosnia for a total of 31 months and was the Executive Director of the Secretary of the Army's Transition Team in 2005 and the co-director of the Department of Defense Panel on Commercialization. He is a graduate of the National War College, U.S. Military Academy, and earned his Ph.D., MPA and an M.A. from Princeton University. Specialties: National security policy, defense economics, civil-military relations, higher education, financial planning, financial management, leadership.



VADM Charles D. Michel (USCGA '85)

30th Vice Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard

Admiral Charles Michel assumed the duties as the 30th Vice Commandant on August 6, 2015. Prior to this appointment, Admiral Michel served as the Deputy Commandant for Operations. His previous flag officer assignments include Deputy Commander, U. S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area; Director, Joint Interagency Task Force South; Military Advisor to the Secretary of Homeland Security; and Director for Governmental and Public Affairs, U. S. Coast Guard. He graduated from the U. S. Coast Guard Academy with a degree in Marine Engineering in 1985. In 1992, he graduated summa cum laude from the University of Miami School of Law as the salutatorian. Admiral Michel has been awarded the Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal and also the Distinguished Service Medal of the Colombian Navy. Admiral Michel was the American Bar Association Young Lawyer of the Year for the Coast Guard in 1995, and the Judge Advocate's Association Career Armed Services Attorney of the Year for the Coast Guard in 2000. On May 24, 2016, he became the first four-star Vice Commandant in Coast Guard history and also the first career judge advocate in any of the Armed Forces to achieve four-star rank.



Mr. Charley Moore (USNA '87)

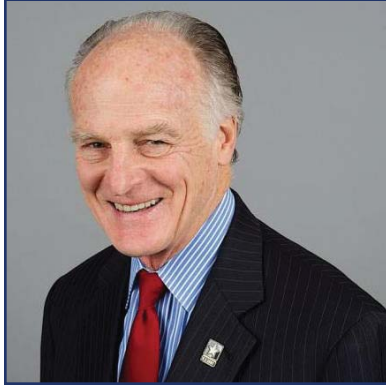
Founder and CEO, Rocket Lawyer

Moore is the Founder and CEO of Rocket Lawyer Incorporated. His experience as a startup company attorney taught him that something was missing—an affordable and simple way to handle any legal situation. So, he started Rocket Lawyer. Today, Rocket Lawyer is one of the most widely used legal services in the world, with operations in the United States and the United Kingdom. Moore has been engaged in Internet law and business, since beginning his career as an attorney at Venture Law Group in Menlo Park, California in 1996. He represented Yahoo! (IPO), WebTV Networks (acquired by Microsoft) and Cerent Corporation (acquired by Cisco Systems) at critical early stages and was the founder of Onstation Corporation (acquired by The Cobalt Group). Charley graduated from the United States Naval Academy (BS), San Francisco State University (MS) and the University of California at Berkeley (Juris Doctorate). He served as a U.S. Naval officer and is a Gulf War veteran. He currently serves on the board of directors of the Northern California Public Broadcasting Corporation (KQED) and Grace Cathedral, in San Francisco, California.



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Biographies



Mr. William "Bill" Murdy (USMA '64)

Chairman, Thayer Leader Development Group

William F (Bill) Murdy is currently Chairman of the Hotel Thayer and the Thayer Leader Development Group at West Point. He is a member the West Point Class of 1964 and in 2015 was designated a Distinguished Graduate. He spent 10 active years in the Army, including two tours in Vietnam, leaving the Army as a Major finishing his active service as an Asst Professor of Economics at West Point. He is the former Chairman and CEO of Comfort Systems (NYSE: FIX) and in a 40 year business career served in five CEO or COO positions. He is a Vice Chairman of Business Executives for National Security and member of the Board of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.



Ms. Lauren C. Murphy

Director, Career and Professional Development, Harvard Business School

Murphy is Director of Career and Professional Development at the Harvard Business School. She leads a team of 50 Career Coaches and develops over 150 career education programs for MBA students and alumni. She serves as the career liaison to the HBS Armed Forces Alumni Association and has coached veteran students and alumni for 15 years. Lauren's dedication to help veterans stems from her father's 30-year USAF career. Ms. Murphy began her business career in retail as an Assistant Buyer and Department Manager for Dillard's of Houston. She spent 8 years with the Procter and Gamble Company where she held various marketing brand positions. She followed her passion for career coaching and joined Wellesley College in 2001 as the Program Director of Management Basics, introducing liberal arts majors to careers in management. She held various career development roles at Wellesley College before joining HBS in 2003. In addition to her work with HBS students and alumni, she has coached HBS Executive Education participants and Harvard Divinity School students. Murphy holds a BBA from Southern Methodist University and an MBA from Columbia University.



Mr. Joel "Thor" Neeb (USAFA '99)

President, Afterburner Inc.

Joel "Thor" Neeb graduated from the Air Force academy in 1999. He served as a fighter pilot and trainer pilot for 15 years on active duty and has logged more than 2500 Missions. He has an MBA from the University of Texas and he is currently the President of Afterburner Inc. - a 21-year-old consultancy comprised exclusively of former fighter pilots, Navy SEALs, and Army Rangers that helps corporations leverage the competencies of elite military teams. Afterburner has worked with 85% of the Fortune 100 companies and was named one of Forbes' Top 25 Small Businesses in 2016. Thor leads the team of more than 70 former servicemen and women from around the globe."



Mr. Kelly Pedrew (USMA '89)

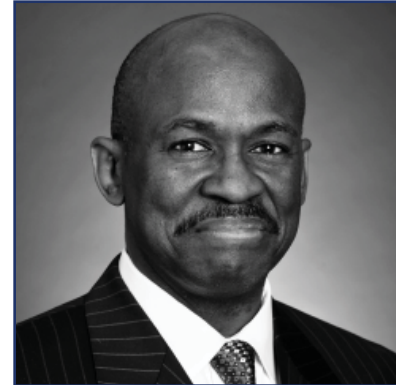
Managing Partner, Moonshots Capital; Winner of TV Show "The Apprentice: Season 2"

Pedrew is the Managing General Partner of Moonshots Capital - an early stage angel syndicate that invests in early stage technology companies and leans in heavily in veteran founded companies. He is a co-founder & Managing Partner at DuMont Project - a consultative agency that helps accelerate the growth of direct to consumer brands. After winning the Season 2 of the NBC hit show, The Apprentice, he served as an Executive Vice President in the Trump Organization in New York, where he managed several real estate projects and worked directly for Donald Trump for the year following the show. Pedrew is a nationally recognized speaker on leadership, technology, career development and entrepreneurship. He earned a BS from the US Military Academy, West Point, a JD from the UCLA School of Law, and an MBA from the Anderson School at UCLA. He served in the US Army as a Military Intelligence Officer and completed Airborne and Ranger training. He has also served as a national celebrity spokesperson for Big Brothers/Sisters and The National Guard Youth Challenge Program. Kelly received a Presidential Appointment from President Bush to the President's Council on Civic Participation and Service in 2006 and was re-appointed in 2008.

Mr. Jess Posey (USNA '83)

Head, Joint Service Academy Business Mixer (JSABM)

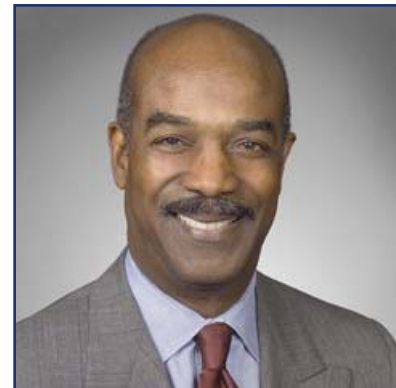
Posey is the CEO of TelePulse Technologies Corp, a broadband telecommunications R&D company. Additionally, Jess manages the Joint Service Academy Business Mixer DC (JSABMDC) which is a networking group for service academy grads that do business in the DC metro area. Posey has over 20 years in project management and strategy consulting prior to starting TelePulse Technologies. He blends a strong strategic business management background with high-level scientific training and expertise in the areas of telecommunications, sonar, and large-scale management of weapons systems, marine propulsion systems, and shipbuilding. This is complemented by experience in large-scale military weapons and communications systems as a Naval Officer, and a consulting client list that includes high tech start-ups, Fortune 500 companies, and public sector entities. Posey has worked in the US, Asia, Africa, Europe, and the Middle East. His client list includes high tech start-ups, Fortune 500 companies, and public sector entities. He holds an MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, an MS in Systems Engineering and Management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a B.S. in physics and political science from the United States Naval Academy.



Mr. Patrick Prout (USNA '64)

Managing Director, Financial Services of Diversified Search

Patrick Prout graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy with a BS in engineering, and earned his M.B.A. from the Harvard Graduate School of Business. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and rose to the rank of Captain, serving two tours of duty in combat and was awarded the Bronze Star medal with combat "v". He is Managing Director for Financial Services of Diversified Search. Prior to joining Diversified Search he launched an executive search organization, The Prout Group. Prout also served as a partner in the Cleveland office of Heidrick & Struggles. Prout was president and chief operating officer, then vice chairman of Bank One, Cleveland, NA, a \$2.5 billion assets affiliate of Banc One Corporation. His career in financial services also included positions with Bank of America in Los Angeles, Rainier Bank in Seattle and Chase Manhattan Bank in New York City. He is a charter member of the board of Ideastream, a member of the Americas Council of the Association of Executive Search Consultants (AESC), the National Society of Hispanic MBAs (NSHMBA), the Executive Leadership Council (ELC), as well as an Advisory Board member of the Women in the Boardroom.



Mr. Bill Rausch (USMA '02)

Executive Director, Got Your 6

Bill Rausch is Executive Director at Got Your 6. He received his BS in Geospatial Information Science from the United States Military Academy. He is a former Army Major with over ten years of service including 17 months in Iraq serving under Generals Casey and Petraeus while assigned to the Information Operations Task Force. Prior to joining GY6, Bill was Political Director at Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America where he oversaw policy and advocacy campaigns. Prior to his veteran advocacy work, he was a Senior Consultant providing products and services to the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense while assigned to the Pentagon. Bill regularly testifies in front of Congress and has appeared on NBC Nightly News, C-SPAN's Washington Journal and MSNBC's coverage of Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Bill is also an active community leader and volunteer serving as Chapter Captain for Team Red, White & Blue (Team RWB) in his local community in Alexandria, VA. He also serves on the Board of Directors at Volunteer Alexandria, an organization promoting volunteerism across all charity sectors. He lives in Alexandria, VA with his wife and son.



Mr. Carl Savino (USMA '78)

Founder & President, "Corporate Gray"; Chair, Career Advisory Services, West Point Society of DC

Carl Savino, USMA 1978, is founder and president of "Corporate Gray," a veteran-owned company that connects transitioning service members and veterans with employers -- in print through The Military-to-Civilian Transition Guide, in person through the Corporate Gray Military-Friendly Job Fairs, and online through Corporate Gray Online. Since 1997, Carl has led over 150 military-focused job fairs at various locations across the country; provided over 4 million copies of the Transition Guide to separating and retiring active duty service members; and managed Corporate Gray Online, a military-niche employment website. He holds advanced degrees from the University of Pennsylvania and George Washington University.



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GEN (Ret.) Norton Schwartz (USAF '73)

President & CEO, Business Executives for National Security

Serving as President & CEO of BENS since 2013, General Schwartz continues a prestigious career of service that spans over four decades. General Schwartz served as the 19th Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force (CSAF). He retired from military service in October 2012 after serving over 39 years. He began his AF service as a pilot with the 1975 airlift evacuation of Saigon, and piloted special ops fixed-wing planes and helicopters as a primary discipline. Among other things, he helped lead a joint special ops task force during the Gulf War in 1991; served as the strategic planner for the Air Force; and was the Commander of Special Operations Command-Pacific, Alaskan Command, 11th Air Force, and was the Commander of U.S. Transportation Command prior to being appointed CSAF in 2008. General Schwartz graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1973 with a Bachelor's degree in political science and international affairs, and Central Michigan University with a Master's degree in Business Administration. He is an alumnus of the Armed Forces Staff College; the National War College, and a 1994 Fellow of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Seminar XXI.



MG (Ret.) Bruce Scott (USMA '72)

President, The Olmsted Foundation

General Scott is a 1972 graduate of the United States Military Academy. He served in Infantry and Armored Divisions in the United States and in Germany. He has commanded at the company, battalion, and brigade levels and as the Commanding General of the South Pacific Division, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Army Chief of Congressional Legislative Liaison. Other assignments include serving as a White House Fellow in the Reagan Administration; Service on the Army Staff as the Deputy Director of Strategy; Aide/Executive Assistant to the Commanding General, V Corps, General Colin Powell; and Executive Assistant to the Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff. He is an Olmsted Scholar and received a Master of International Relations equivalent from the Universitaet Freiburg, FRG, and holds a MPA from Harvard University. His military education includes the Engineer Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Command and General Staff College, and the Army War College. His military decorations include the Army Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Parachutist Badge and Ranger Tab. After serving as Vice President, ITT Defense, and President, ITT Defense International General Scott was appointed as President/CEO of The George and Carol Olmsted Foundation.



Ms. Jacqueline Stennett (USMA '90)

Vice President, Academy Women

Jackie is the Vice President and serves on the Board of Directors of AcademyWomen, a nonprofit leadership and professional development organization providing award-winning mentoring programs and career development opportunities for military women and the military community. In this capacity, she is instrumental in the design strategy, partnership development and growth of all mission critical programs. Jackie garnered over twenty years of leadership and management experience within the corporate, government and nonprofit sectors. In the U.S. Army, Jackie held various leadership roles as a logistics officer and also served as an Admissions Outreach Officer for the United States Military Academy (USMA) and as the Assistant Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the USMA. Subsequent to military service, Jackie was accepted into GE Capital's Financial Management Leadership Program, later serving as a Strategic Management Consultant with Accenture, and as the Director of Boarding Programs for the SEED School of Washington, DC; the nation's premier public college-preparatory boarding school for underserved youth. Currently, Jackie advises organizations with socially responsible missions in designing effective strategies to improve individual and organizational performance. Jackie holds a BS in Chinese Studies from the United States Military Academy at West Point and an MBA from Harvard Business School.



Mr. Ronald J. Steptoe (USMA '87)

CEO & Co-Founder, Warrior Centric Health, LLC

Ronald is an Adjunct Instructor in the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. Prior to joining Pfizer 26 years ago, Ron served as an officer in the United States Army. Ron's firm created and developed the Warrior Centric Health (WCH)[®] platform and ecosystem. (WCH)[®] consists of disruptive proprietary E-learning, credentialing and data science platform solutions for the healthcare industry. The (WCH)[®] solutions integrate best practices in technology transfer from the fields of health, science, education and technology to maximize population health outcomes for high-risk professional communities disproportionately impacted by environmental and occupational hazards (i.e., veteran and military communities). Ron is credentialed as a Certified Medical Representative. He is a Board Certified Diplomate by the American Board of Disability Analyst (DABDA). Ron's activities and honors include serving on the Board of Directors of USA Cares, Inc. (a national veterans service organization); WCH, LLC was named Member of the Year by the American Hospital Association-Institute for Diversity; and WCH, LLC was named by FORBES as one of the Top 25 Veteran-Founded Start-ups in America in 2016.

Mr. Henry Stoever (USNA '88)

Chief Marketing Officer, NACD (National Association of Corporate Directors)

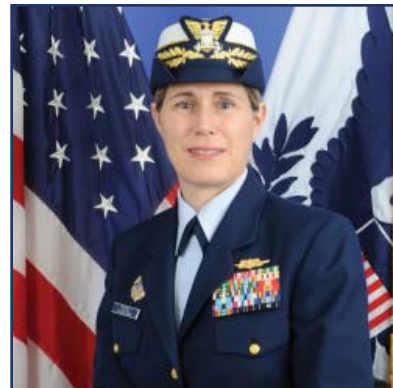
Henry Stoever is NACD's Chief Marketing Officer. As a customer-centric marketing professional, he has 20-plus years of leadership experience in public, private and nonprofit companies, as well as in the U.S. Military. Prior to joining NACD, he was a leader in brand management at Kraft Foods, vertical marketing at Nextel Communications, global information services with LexisNexis and the CoStar Group, and SVP Marketing at StudentLoans.com. Stoever has an MBA in Marketing from Northwestern University's Kellogg Graduate School of Management, and a BS in Economics from the U.S. Naval Academy. After graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1988, Henry spent five years in the U.S. Marine Corps as an infantry officer, served as an infantry platoon commander and company executive officer, and was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V" for leading Marines in action during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Henry currently serves as a director on the board of Boulder Crest Retreat. He also holds the NACD Certificate of Director Education.



VADM Sandra Stosz (USCGA '82)

Deputy Commandant for Mission Support, U.S. Coast Guard

Vice Admiral Sandra L. Stosz assumed the duties of Deputy Commandant for Mission Support at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C. on June 3rd, 2015. Previously, Vice Admiral Stosz served as Superintendent of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and as Director of Reserve and Leadership at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C. She is a surface operations officer with 12 years at sea and served tours of duty as Chief of Officer Assignments and Program Reviewer and Acquisition Funds Coordinator for Coast Guard major systems acquisitions. She graduated from the Coast Guard Academy in 1982 with a BS in Government, and was awarded a Master of Business Administration degree from Northwestern University's J. L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management in 1994. In 2000, she completed an executive fellowship in national security through the MIT Seminar XXI program, and earned a Master of National Security Strategy from the National War College in 2004. In 2009 she attended the Navy's Executive Business Course at the University of North Carolina's Kenan-Flagler business school. Her awards include the Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal, three Legion of Merit Medals, four Meritorious Service Medals, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals, and two Coast Guard Achievement Medals.



Mr. William Thompson (USAFA '73)

President & CEO, USAFA Association of Graduates

William 'T' Thompson, is the USAF Academy Association of Graduates' President and CEO. The first African-American from South Carolina to attend USAFA, he served on the Cadet Wing Staff. 'T' graduated in 1973, and spent a year recruiting at the Academy before serving as an Air Force Instructor Pilot. He has increased the number of Association chapters from 31 to 86, and assets from \$35 million to \$55 million over the past 5 years. He was selected as one of 2015's Most Innovative Business Leaders. He received his Juris Doctorate from UOP's McGeorge School of Law in 1982 and practiced as a tax and finance attorney. He founded the Summit Group Companies, which owned fast food franchises, an engineering services firm, a systems integration company and a real estate development firm. The longest serving Commissioner of Aeronautics in Massachusetts' history, he served three governors in both Democratic and Republican administrations. He was appointed by Gov. John Hickenlopper to the Colorado Aeronautics Board in 2013 and was reappointed in 2016. He also served on numerous local, state and national boards, including the 100 Black Men, the Boy Scouts of America and the American Cancer Society.



Col (Ret.) John Tien (USMA '87)

Managing Director, Citigroup

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