



Joining Forces Mentoring Plus Advisory Council

- **Patricia C. Adams**, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Civilian Human Resources
Patricia C. Adams is the Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary of the Navy and Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) on policies and programs impacting the civilian workforce. Ms. Adams has been directly involved in organizing the Secretary's Human Capital Strategy, to inspire, develop, compensate and shape their workforce; streamlining management of the departments senior executive service and ensuring human resources services are responsive to naval priorities and mission accomplishment.

A 2008 Presidential Rank Award Recipient, she is a National Certified Counselor specializing in the area of career transitions and the implications of career transitions for job and life planning.

Before coming to Navy, Ms. Adams enjoyed a 25-year career with Marriott International. Ms. Adams earned her Masters of Science degree in Counseling from Loyola College in Maryland and her Bachelor of Science in Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management from Michigan State University.

- **Emily Allen**, Vice President for Income, AARP Foundation
- **Bonnie Carroll**, President and Founder, Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors
- **Lynda C. Davis, Ph.D.**, Senior Vice President, ICF International; U.S. Army (Ret.)
Dr. Lynda C. Davis is a nationally recognized leader in the development and implementation of successful, significant, and sustainable programs that support the full spectrum of quality of life support and services for military personnel, veterans and their families. A former Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Military Community and Family Policy, Davis was a leader of the Reform of Case/Care Management for Wounded, Ill and Injured Service Members, Veterans and their Families. Her team created the joint DoD/VA Federal Recovery Coordination Programs to ensure comprehensive care is provided from recovery through rehabilitation to community reintegration for the thousands who are affected during wartime. She founded See.Care.Do to support significant, successful, and sustainable service – especially on behalf of our military, veterans and their families.

Dr. Davis, a former Signal Corps Officer in the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve, is the mother of a soldier and volunteers with the USO and TAPS. She served as Co-chair of the Defense Advisory Council on Women in the Military (DACOWITS), and is on the Veterans Rehabilitation Advisory Board (VACOR) of the VA, Virginia's Wounded Warrior Program Advisory Board, and the Women Joining Forces Advisory Council of BPWF.

- **Pamela Stokes Eggleston**, Director of Development, BlueStar Families
Pamela Stokes Eggleston has worked in the public policy, criminology, research and management fields for over 18 years. She has served as a consultant, peer reviewer and grant reviewer for numerous agencies including the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the VA, and the Department of Labor, and as an advisor on Congress-supported publications centering on substance abuse, mental health and criminal justice issues. Since 2004, as caregiver for her husband (combat wounded during Operation Iraqi Freedom), she has been a strong and vocal advocate for service members, military spouses and veteran families. Ms. Eggleston's goal is to raise awareness of the challenges military families and veterans face upon returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. She currently works with Blue Star Families as Development Director, Three Seven Consulting, Inc. (a CVE verified service disabled veteran owned small

business) as Vice President and COO, DOD's Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program as a grant reviewer, and Concepts, Inc. as a subject matter expert for the National Resource Directory. Ms. Eggleston has an MS and MBA in management from the University of Maryland University College and is President Emeritus of its Alumni Association.

➤ **Susan Feland, President, Academy Women**

➤ **Deborah Lee James, Senior Vice President, SAIC**

As the SAIC executive vice president for communications and government affairs, Deborah Lee James is responsible for media relations, marketing communications, congressional affairs, policy analysis, compliance with laws governing engagement with public officials, corporate responsibility, and community relations. James has served in senior homeland and national security management, policy and program positions in government and the private sector for more than 25 years. Most recently at SAIC she was a business unit general manager for a team of 2,900 employees specializing in command, control, communications and computers as well as aviation support services for the U.S. military.

Immediately prior to joining SAIC, James was the executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Business Executives for National Security — a non-profit organization composed of CEOs who focus on advocacy for homeland security programs and on bringing best practices to national security agencies. Earlier in her career, James was the vice president, international operations and marketing, at United Technologies Corporation. James is an expert on the operations of the U.S. Congress, having worked for a decade as a professional staff member on the House Armed Services Committee. She specialized in military personnel and NATO issues.

Following her service in the U.S. House of Representatives, she was nominated by the president and confirmed by the U.S. Senate to serve as assistant secretary of defense for Reserve Affairs. She served in this capacity for more than five years, overseeing budgets in excess of \$10 billion, supervising a 100-plusperson staff and serving as the senior advisor to the secretary of defense on all matters pertaining to the 1.8 million National Guard and Reserve Forces. She has a bachelor's degree in comparative studies from Duke University and a master's degree in international affairs from Columbia University.

➤ **Dr. Kimberly McClain, Lead of Military Interest Group, Accenture**

➤ **Kathleen Moakler, Government Relations Director, National Military Family Association**

Kathleen Moakler has been associated with the National Military Family Association since 1995 as a member of the headquarters staff. She has served as Headquarters Office Manager and several positions in the Government Relations Department, including Deputy Director. As Director, she monitors the range of issues relevant to the quality of life of the families of the seven uniformed services and coordinates a staff of 4 deputy directors. Mrs. Moakler represents the interests of military families on a variety of advisory panels and working groups, including the DoD/VA Survivors Forum, and the State Department Interagency Roundtable. Mrs. Moakler is co-chair of the Survivors Committee for the Military Coalition (TMC), a consortium of 35 military and veteran organizations and serves on the Retiree Committee.

An Army spouse of over 28 years, Mrs. Moakler has served in various volunteer leadership positions in civilian and military community organizations in that time. Through the years, Mrs. Moakler has worked with many military community programs including hospital consumer boards, commanders' advisory boards, family readiness groups, church councils, youth programs and the Army Family Action Plan at all levels. She believes that communication is paramount in the efficient delivery of services and the fostering of a rich community life for military families. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the State University of New York at Albany. Mrs. Moakler has been awarded the Army Commanders Award for Public Service and the President's Volunteer Service Award.

Mrs. Moakler is also a military mom. Her daughter is an Army nurse who has served two tours in Iraq and one son is an Army major stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia. Her oldest son is an aspiring actor in Hollywood, California. Mrs. Moakler and her husband, Colonel Martin W. Moakler Jr. USA (retired), reside in Alexandria, Virginia.

➤ **Robin Portman, Senior Vice President, Booz Allen Hamilton**

- **Lisa Rosser**, President, The Value of a Veteran
- **Kevin Schmiegel**, Vice President, Veteran Employment Program, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- **Dorothy Skube**, Secretary of the Board, Alliant Credit Union Foundation
- **Linda S. Speed**, Deputy Director, Transition Services, Military Officers Association of America (MOAA); Captain U.S. Navy (Ret),
As Deputy Director for Transition Services at MOAA, Linda Speed directs MOAA's 2,300 member nationwide networking program; coordinates MOAA's signature military-focused career fairs; provides transition advice and counseling; and is a sought after facilitator and lecturer.

During her 26-year military career, she served as a line officer and human resources professional, with extensive experience in military personnel policy and manpower planning, recruiting, and joint intelligence. Her last assignment was the Director, Office of Women's Policy, where she was the Navy's principal policy expert, senior advisor and advocate on all policy matters related to 54,000 U.S. Navy women worldwide; and the Navy's military representative to the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services. She holds a BA from the University of New Hampshire, MA in Counseling from the University of Maine, and MA in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval Command and Staff College.

- **Celia Szelwach** DBA, CCEP Program Manager for Women's Health, Atlas Research; Founder/Director, WOVEN (Women Veterans Network); U.S. Army (Ret.)
Dr. Szelwach provides project management for health initiatives focused on rural, women, and minority Veterans for Atlas Research, a consulting firm in Washington, DC. In 2011, she was appointed by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans. From 2006 to 2009, Dr. Szelwach served on the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans. She serves on the Charles George VA Medical Center's Women Veterans Health Committee in Asheville, NC. In 2007, she founded WOVEN Women Veterans Network, an online community committed to helping women Veterans (and their families) transition from military service.

As an officer and senior-rated parachutist in the Army Transportation Corps at Fort Bragg, NC, she coordinated logistics for the 18th Airborne Corps Emergency Operations Center during Desert Storm and managed logistical operations for two humanitarian service deployments in support of Hurricane Andrew disaster relief in Homestead, Fla. and Haitian relief in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. In 1995, she completed five years of service and transitioned as a captain.

Dr. Szelwach holds a B.S. from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and a doctorate in business administration from Argosy University. Her research interests include women's health, leadership, and cultural competence/disparities in health care.

- **Charlotte Tsoucalas**, Senior Advisory, TRIWest
- **Catherine A. Wilson**, Executive Director, Virginia Wounded Warrior Program, Virginia Department of Veterans Services; U.S. Navy (Ret.)
A native Virginian, Catherine Wilson currently serves as the Executive Director of the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program. Established in July 2008, this program is operated by the Virginia Department of Veterans Services in cooperation with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and the Department of Rehabilitative Services.

Serving in the United States Navy for 30 years, she retired in October 2008. At the time of her retirement she was the Commanding Officer (Chief Executive Officer) of Naval Hospital Bremerton. Prior to that assignment she deployed as the Commanding Officer of U.S. Military Hospital Kuwait (a tent hospital) and nine Troop Medical Clinics located throughout Kuwait and in Qatar. Prior to deployment, CAPT Wilson served as the Executive Officer, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton where she also commanded its Fleet Hospital.

Past assignments include Naval Medical Center Portsmouth where she was the Director of Fleet and Family Medicine. Her Directorate was staffed by over 2,600 personnel. CAPT Wilson also served as Deputy Director of the TRICARE Mid-Atlantic Region Lead Agent Office where she had direct impact on health care for over a million beneficiaries in Virginia and North Carolina. She had responsibility for the administration of a \$3.1 billion managed Care Support contract.

Selected as the Congressional Detail to Senator Daniel K. Inouye of Hawaii in 1999, she served as the advisor to the Senator on all health related issues. CAPT Wilson was a staff assistant for the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee for Defense and the Labor, Health, and Human Services and Education Committee.

CAPT Wilson served at the Pentagon on the staff of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs). During this tour, she was Deputy Director for Force Management, Senior Policy Analyst for TRICARE Operations Policy, and ultimately served as Chief of Staff for the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) for Health Services Operations and Readiness.