

# William J. Butler

Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired)
Acting President, National Veterans Memorial and Museum

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2024-Present Acting President Assistant Instructor, John Glenn College of Public Affairs

2019-2024 Chief of Staff, NVMM Assistant Instructor, John Glenn College of Public Affairs

2017-2019 **Senior Department of the Army, Civilian** U.S. Army, Africa

## U.S. ARMY EXPERIENCE

2015-2017 **Director of Operations** U.S. Army Cadet Command

1990-2015 Various roles in the U.S. Army

#### **EDUCATION**

Harvard Kennedy School Senior Executive Fellow

**U.S. Army War College** MS, Strategic Studies

Troy State University MS. Education

Eastern Kentucky University BA, History

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- \* National Infantry Assoc.
- ★ 75th Ranger Regiment Assoc.
- ★ 173d Airborne Brigade Assoc.
- ★ DAV and American Legion

#### **EXECUTIVE PROFILE**

Bill is a seasoned non-profit leader with a proven track record in strategic planning, operational efficiency, and cross functional leadership. Spearheaded initiatives at the NVMM leading to significant attendance and earned revenue growth, as well as cost savings.

Before returning to Ohio in 2019, he was a senior Department of the Army civilian at U.S. Army Africa in Vicenza, Italy. He was a career Infantry officer and retired from the U.S. Army in 2017, after 27 years of active-duty service all over the world. He's lived in five different countries.

Key assignments included:

- ★ Planned and led leader development exercises and programs at U.S. Army Cadet Command, the U.S. Army Infantry School, the United States Military Academy at West Point, and with key African and European allies and partners.
- ★ Commanded Light Infantry, Ranger, and Airborne units thru battalion level and extensive staff experience at the combined / joint task force and lower levels.
- ★ Three, year-long combat deployments to Iraq (1) and Afghanistan (2).
- ★ Military technical advisor and stuntman for the movie "Black Hawk Down."
- ★ Mentor, trainer, and military leadership panel member for Emory University's, Goizueta Business School.

Raised in Cincinnati, Ohio, he was a Distinguished Military Graduate from Eastern Kentucky University and was commissioned a Regular Army Second Lieutenant in 1990.

Bill and his wife, Mindy, are the proud parents of two adult children, who have both chosen professions in public or military service. Throughout his career, he received numerous awards and honors.