



Thomas T. Gordy

President, Armed Forces Marketing Council



Tom Gordy serves as the President of the Armed Forces Marketing Council, a position he has held since March 2008. In this role, he works to support and enhance the military resale benefit for military families by engaging with congressional and military resale industry leaders to address issues of concern to the members of the Council.

Prior to being appointed to his position at AFMC, Tom worked as a Senior Strategic Communications Consultant for The Wexford Group/CACI supporting the congressional and public affairs directorates of the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization.

In January 2001, Tom began a six-year career on Capitol Hill, serving as a Communications Director, Defense Policy Advisor, and Chief of Staff to two successive Members of Congress representing Virginia's Second Congressional District, which includes Virginia Beach, Norfolk(part), Hampton(part) and the Eastern Shore.

Tom is a native of Monroe, Louisiana, and alumni of the University of Louisiana at Monroe, graduating in May 1995 with a Bachelors of Business Administration.

While in college, Tom served as a minister of youth and pastor at various churches in northeast Louisiana. Following graduation, he and his wife Theresa moved to Juneau, Alaska where he served as Associate Pastor at Glacier Valley Baptist Church. Living in Juneau, the state capitol, Tom became involved in politics, which led to a career change in 1998.

In June 1998, Tom and his family moved to Virginia Beach, Virginia where he enrolled in the Masters of Arts in Political Management program at Regent University. He completed his degree in December 2003.

In November 2002, Tom was commissioned as a U.S. Navy Reserve Public Affairs Officer. From March 2009 to February 2010, Tom was mobilized to active duty and served in Iraq as the Legislative Affairs Officer and Deputy Public Affairs Officer to U.S. Army Gen. Ray Odierno, Commander, Multi-National Forces-Iraq.

Tom's awards include Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terror Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" Device, and Navy Expert Pistol Marksmanship Medal.

Since October 2008, Tom has successfully owned and managed River Woods Retreat, a mountain-side log cabin vacation rental in Virginia's Shenandoah River Valley.

Tom is married to the former Theresa Mayo of New Iberia, LA. He and Theresa have one daughter, Sarah, and live in Northern Virginia.