



Department of Veterans Affairs

Biography

David Fennell

Director, Veteran and Family Member Programs Office of Integrated Veteran Care, Veterans Health Administration

David Fennell is Director for Veteran and Family Member Programs (VFMP), under the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Integrated Veteran Care (IVC), Integrated External Networks (IEN). He is a lawyer and healthcare administration professional with over 25 years of private sector, government and military experience.



Mr. Fennell leads five statutory programs that provide healthcare and pharmacy services to Veterans and their families around the globe; Civilian Health and Medical Program (CHAMPVA), Foreign Medical, Spina Bifida, Camp Lejeune, and Children of Women Vietnam Veterans. He has overseen a period of incredible programmatic growth whereby the eligible Veteran and family member population has nearly doubled. He has led hundreds of employees, an organizational redesign, a move from commercial to federal facilities, delivery of modern information technology systems, availability of online access and electronic funds payment, and automation of applications, claims, and appeals.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Fennell was an active-duty Marine, associate attorney practicing commercial litigation and corporate law, small business owner focussing on executive recruitment and staffing services, and adjunct professor teaching business management and law courses. As a Marine officer he held command twice and led thousands of U.S. Joint and International forces around the globe including the tactical air operations center in Iraq (2008), civil affairs team in Afghanistan (2009), information operations staff section in Thailand (2016), and combined joint civil-military operations task force in Philippines (2024). He currently serves as a Colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

CAREER CHRONOLOGY:

2019 – Present	Director, VFMP, IVC, VHA
2004 – Present	Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve
2013 – 2019	Exec Assistant/Supervisory Management Analyst, Office of Community Care, VHA
2011 – 2013	Rating Board Representative, Denver Regional Office, VBA
2012 – 2017	Adjunct Professor, Webster University
2006 – 2011	Owner/President, Law Q LLC
2004 – 2006	Associate Attorney, Commercial Litigation and Corporate Law, Denver Colorado
2001 – 2004	Captain, Active-Duty, U.S. Marine Corps

EDUCATION:

J.D. 2000 (*Phi Delta Phi, Top 1/3 of class*), Lewis and Clark Law School; Portland, OR
M.A. National Security and Strategic Studies 2020 (*w/ distinction*), U.S. Naval War College; Newport, RI
M.S.E.L. *magna cum laude* 2000, Vermont Law School; South Royalton, VT
B.S. 1996 (*College of Veterinary Medicine & Biological Sciences Dean's List*), Colorado State University; Fort Collins, CO