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LeRoy Acosta, a service-connected disabled veteran of the Marine Corps, was appointed Assistant National Legislative Director of the 1.3 million-member DAV on Aug. 12, 2015. From the DAV National Service and Legislative Headquarters located in Washington, D.C., he works to support and advance federal legislative goals and policies of DAV to assist disabled veterans and their families as well as guard current veterans benefits and services from legislative erosion.



A native of Lincoln, Nebraska, Acosta enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1979. The Gulf War veteran served, among numerous aviation support capacities, as a drill instructor at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. He was discharged in December 1992.

Acosta joined DAV's professional staff as an apprentice and national service officer in 2005 in San Diego. He was promoted to assistant supervisor there in 2007. In 2012, he was transferred to supervise in Oakland, California, where he served until his appointment to the national legislative staff.

In 2010, Acosta was named Outstanding Veteran of the Year for the city of Chula Vista, California. He served as DAV Department of California commander from 2011 to 2012. He is a life member of Chapter 2 in San Diego.

Acosta studied Health Information Management at San Diego Mesa College. He and his wife currently reside in Alexandria, Virginia.