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## CONTACT

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## **EDUCATION**

**MPA**, *Public Administration Specializing in Organizational Leadership*, National University, San Diego, California, **5/2020**.

Graduate Certificate, Foundations of Human Resources Management, University of Maryland University College, Adelphi, Maryland, 8/2007.

**BS**, *Liberal Arts in Business Administration, Management Studies and Communications*, Excelsior College, Albany, New York, **10/2005**.

AA, Business Administration, Coastline Community College, Fountain Valley, California, 5/2005.

## WORK HISTORY

CEO, Us for Warriors Foundation - Chula Vista, CA, 02/2021 - Present.

- Co-founded organization in 2013; served as uncompensated, volunteer CEO/Chairman/President until 1/2021.
- Provides overall executive and operational oversight for the organization in the fulfillment of the direction established by the Board of Directors.
- Executes annual strategic and operating plans, including supervising the day-to-day general management of headquarters and resources and the advancement of programs and supporting operations.
- Responsible for budgetary compliance and reporting.
- Supervises staff recruitment, hiring and supervision, including effective mentoring of interns and work studies.
- Established organization's three target AIMs of service with efforts designed to help military, veterans and families a) live for a stronger life, b) prosper for a brighter future and c) reach self-reliance to aspire for their dreams.
- Created and implemented a suite of successful programs, such as Food4Warriors and Work4Warriors project groups, targeting key stages of needs providing basic assistance and career coaching needed to fill temporary gaps, advance the quality of life and break cycles leading to self-reliance with efforts that have assisted over 35,000 warriors since the organization's founding.
- Developed a Warrior Volunteer Force that has been a force for over 4,000 volunteers in order to engage active-duty military, veterans, families and supporters with community support activities.
- Created and spearheads an annual schedule for targeted grant research and applications as well as key annual fundraising events and campaigns.
- Developed working relationships with elected officials, public agencies, collaborative partners and supporters to engage the community in activities and mission fulfillment supporting active-duty military, veterans and their families.

## Owner/Coach, Core Victus Solutions LLC - Chula Vista, CA, 01/2021 - Present.

• Provides freelance business analysis and consulting, emotional intelligence and mindful resilience counseling, empowering leadership training and dynamic media platforms.

## WORK HISTORY (continued)

## Principal Partner, Aretanium Executive Group, Inc. - Chula Vista, CA, 10/2018 - Present.

• Provides operational input for oversight of national wellness, engagement and training firm with products and services dedicated to helping leaders and professionals through neuroscience-based strategies.

# **Director of Administration**, Naval Special Warfare Basic Training Command – Coronado, CA, **04/2008 - 01/2021**.

- Lead executive for staff of U.S. Navy SEAL leadership team with oversight of BUD/S, SEAL and SWCC Training pipelines. Served as principal adviser of business operations for support services, personnel and pay, technical publications and reports, document controls, casualty assistance, personnel security, knowledge management and regulatory compliance.
- Hired to support establishing a new military command, including administration, staff orientation, policy formation, resource coordination and six months of executive leadership prior to military Executive Officer.
- Continuity for periods of high leadership turnover due to operational, military re-assignments. Led organization for five months of nearly simultaneous gaps of Top 4 military leadership roles.
- Provided training, data collection, risk assessment and mitigation, oversight and coordination of internal business controls. Led through 13 command assessments with up to 120 areas meeting different requirements each year.
- Maintained human resources management of pay and personnel, organizational structure, job analysis, placement and orientation. Led through a government furlough, conversion from NSPS to GS, new technology applications, workforce management boards and supported creation of a Human Resources Office.
- Verified security clearances, researched deficiencies, initiated investigations and appeals, conducted interviews and provided staff education. Managed security for three military commands and one remote detachment during a sixmonth gap of coverage for 2,000+ staff and students. Expedited staff re-orientation and training in wake of national incidents. Record breaking 153 personnel security investigations in one year.
- Navigated workforce through two manpower surveys conducted by external teams. Leveraged talent to train, coordinate and provide data collection for workforce analysis to support production growth.

# Veteran Service Representative, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs - San Diego, CA 10/2007 - 04/2008.

• Served as claims examiner and outreach for claimants while ensuring tracking and reporting of complex, benefit claims supporting homeless veterans within the large regional area of San Diego County, Riverside County, and the Imperial Valley of California.

## Chief Petty Officer (Yeoman Submarines), Active Duty, U.S. Navy, 04/1987 - 04/2007.

- Served in various capacities, such as Administrative Officer, Personnel Officer, Public Affairs Officer, and Navy Drug & Alcohol Counselor.
- 20-year career aboard four attack and ballistic missile submarines, three submarine support squadrons and as a leading staff member and counselor for one substance abuse rehabilitation clinic.
- Completed deployments and strategic deterrent patrols in Pacific and Atlantic Oceans.
- Hand-selected for many leadership positions, including efforts supporting duties for two separate vacancies of senior Commissioned Officers.
- Awarded numerous unit and personal awards, including two Navy Commendation Medals and nine Navy Achievement Medals.

## CERTIFICATIONS

**Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Practitioner**, Achology: The Academy of Modern Applied Psychology, Scotland, **5/2021**.

Master Mindfulness Practitioner, Achology: The Academy of Modern Applied Psychology, Scotland, 12/2020.

Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy Practitioner, Transformation Academy, Clearwater Beach, Florida, 9/2019.

## **CERTIFICATIONS** (continued)

Neurolinguistics Programming Practitioner, The American Board of NLP, Honolulu, Hawaii, 9/2019.

Office Manager/Administrative Services Manager, United States Military Apprenticeship Program, Department of Labor (4000 hours), 7/2006.

Navy Drug and Alcohol Substance Abuse Counselor, Naval School of Health Sciences, San Diego, CA, 9/2000.

• 576 hours to include psychology, abnormal psychology, counseling theory & practice, group process, interviewing, assessment, referrals and outreach

Legal Secretary, United States Military Apprenticeship Program, Department of Labor (2000 hours), 11/1998.

\*A list of training courses is available upon request.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award, Department of the Navy, 1/2021.
Recognition for numerous accomplishments while serving with Naval Special Warfare Basic Training Command

Subject of the Book, Bitcoin and the Future of Fundraising by Anne Connelly, Innoraise Imprints, 1/2020.
Innovative fundraising platform to transform cryptocurrency to donation dollars

Subject of the Book, The 7 Secrets of Neuron Leadership by W. Craig Reed, Wiley Publishing, 10/2017.
Passionate Leader of Chapter 8

San Diego County Veterans Non-Profit of the Year, San Diego Veteran Museum and Memorial Center, 11/2016. *Recognition for organizational accomplishments of Us for Warriors Foundation under leadership tenure*

San Diego County Veterans Non-Profit of the Year, San Diego Veteran Museum and Memorial Center, 11/2015. *Recognition for organizational accomplishments of California American Legion District 22 under leadership tenure*

California Assembly District Veteran of the Year, California State Assembly District 80, 6/2013.

Recognition for veteran support efforts among assembly district

San Diego County Veteran of the Year for 2012, San Diego Veteran Museum and Memorial Center, 11/2012. *Recognition for personal devotion to veteran support initiatives and advocacy*

Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition, U.S. House of Representatives, 51st District, 11/2012.

• Recognition for Veteran of the Year honors

#### Chula Vista Veteran of the Year for 2012, City of Chula Vista, 10/2012.

• Recognition for veteran support leadership and engagement within the city

#### Chula Vista Veteran of the Year for 2011, City of Chula Vista, 8/2011.

• *Recognition for veteran support leadership and engagement within the city* 

\*Additional certificates of recognition from military service, state, county and others provided upon request

## AFFILIATIONS, ACTIVITES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Cancer Policy and Advocacy Team (CPAT), National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship, 9/2021 - Present.

Society for Human Resources Management (member), 5/2021 - Present.

# AFFILIATIONS, ACTIVITES AND MEMBERSHIPS (continued)

San Diego Military & Veterans Advisory Council, Office of Military & Veterans Affairs, 1/2017 - 12/2020.
Served as advisor representing San Diego County Board of Supervisors for Veteran support initiatives for County District 1

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks (member), Elks Lodge 2011, Chula Vista, CA, 4/2016 - Present.

#### Chula Vista Veterans Home Support Foundation, Chula Vista, CA, 12/2012 - Present.

Board Member supporting quality of life initiatives for elderly veteran residents of the California Veterans Home – Chula Vista.

#### Chula Vista Veterans Advisory Commission, City of Chula, 12/2012 - 5/2018.

Served on advisory commission representing City of Chula Vista Mayor and Council for Veteran support initiatives.

Fleet Reserve Association (lifetime member), Branch 61, Chula Vista, CA, 8/2008 - Present.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (lifetime member), VFW Post 2111, Chula Vista, CA, 7/2008 - Present.

The American Legion (lifetime member), American Legion Post 434, Chula Vista, CA, 7/1998 - Present.

- Member, National Legislative Council for Department of California, 2/2015 8/2017.
- Member, National Media & Communications Council, 10/2014 10/2017.
- District 22 Commander (CEO), Department of California, 6/2014 6/2015 (largest district in California).
- Director at Large, California American Legion Veteran Affairs and Rehabilitation Foundation, 7/2014 10/2017.
- President, California American Legion Press Association, 6/2014 6/2015.
- District 22 Vice Commander (Vice Chair), Department of California, 6/2013 6/2014 (largest district in California).
- Department of California Leadership Commissioner for Area 5, 7/2011 6/2014.
- Post Commander (CEO), Chula Vista Post 434, 5/2010 5/2014 (4<sup>th</sup> largest of 493 posts in California).