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Gregg Orto is the Deputy Director, National Veterans Service, in the Washington, D.C., Office. Prior to his promotion, he served as Assistant Director Field Operations for the VFW, and as a Pre-Discharge Claims representative in the Military District of Washington, Washington, D.C.

Gregg is responsible for VFW's Field Operations and Dept of War and VA Health Care Policy initiatives. He and his Field Operations team assist service members and their families with the benefits they are eligible for as they transition from active-duty military into veteran status. Gregg evaluates the effectiveness of benefits programs and collaborates with the Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Labor and Department of War, to ensure their programs meet the needs of the military population as they transition from active duty.

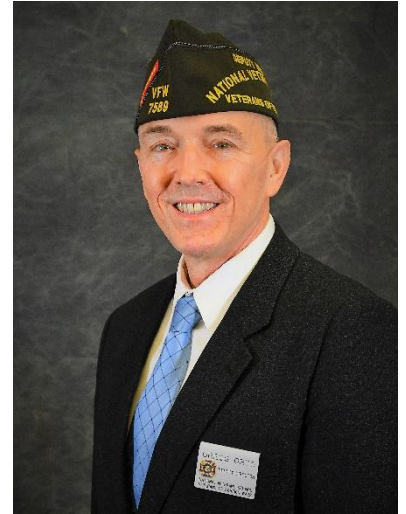
Gregg's responsibilities include implementing the VFW's Pre-Discharge Claims Assistance program on military installations across the United States and overseas military population, overseeing the VFW's National health care policy initiatives, engaging with Department of War, Veterans Health Administration, Tricare, Congress, and other federal agencies, providing input to shape current and future policies affecting service members and veterans.

Gregg is an Army veteran with 32 years active-duty service. He began his career in field artillery as a forward observer and later transitioned to Army Public Affairs. During his military career, he served in every enlisted leadership position from squad leader to command sergeant major. He was selected as one of the first five command sergeants major in Army Public Affairs.

His duty stations include Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Fort Gordon, Georgia, Fort Meade, Maryland, Pentagon/Crystal City, Virginia, and overseas tours in Germany, the Republic of Korea, and deployments to Somalia and Iraq. During a tour in Germany with 11D, he earned a National Registry of Emergency Medical Technician certification and volunteered after duty hours with the local military clinic's ambulance system.

Gregg served on the Secretary of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans, providing advice on policies, organizational structures, and the provision and coordination of services to address veterans' post-war readjustment to civilian life with particular emphasis on readjustment counseling services and Vet Centers.

Gregg's civilian education includes an associate's degree, bachelor's degree, and a Master's of Business Administration.



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