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Biographical **INFO**

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Barry A. Jesinoski, a service-connected veteran of the Persian Gulf War era, was appointed executive director for the more than 1 million-member DAV National Headquarters in August 2013. He is the chief financial officer and the chief operating officer of the organization headquartered in Cold Spring, Kentucky. There, he oversees employment initiatives, voluntary services, fundraising, accounting, membership activities, administration, information technology, communications, outreach and logistics of one of America's largest nonprofit organizations.



Jesinoski began his DAV career as a member of Class II at the National Service Officer Training Academy at Denver in 1995. Following graduation from the academy, he worked on the front lines of DAV's largest service initiative and represented veterans in their claims for benefits.

He rose from an apprentice in Seattle to become the supervisor of one of DAV's largest offices in San Diego in two years. In 2001, he was promoted to oversee benefits advocacy for an area encompassing California, Arizona, Oregon, Nevada and Hawaii. Later that same year, he was appointed to the national service staff and assigned to DAV's headquarters in Washington, D.C. The following year, he was promoted to assistant national service director.

In 2007, he was appointed deputy director of human resources and relocated to DAV National Headquarters before taking the lead as director in 2009. Then, in 2011, he returned to Washington, D.C. to lead DAV's service and legislative efforts as executive director, serving in that capacity, until his current appointment in August 2013.

Jesinoski has focused on improving efficiencies and aligning DAV's efforts and collaboration across all of the organization's departments. He was the primary sponsor or an initial creator of several DAV programs and initiatives such as the transition service program, employment department, chapter and department service officer certification training, case management system, results management office and benefit enhancements such as a performance and retention program for national service officers, compressed and flexible work schedule policy, and bereavement and parental leave among others. He is overseeing a major information technology infrastructure project that will consolidate how the organization serves its members, veterans and constituents. At the same time, DAV's outreach efforts have quadrupled in scope, fundraising efforts have been diversified, and every department in his purview has taken on new initiatives aimed at achieving strategic objectives and modernizing the delivery of services.

A native of Ottertail County, Minnesota, Jesinoski was medically discharged from the Marine Corps in 1993. He is certified as a Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR), having earned his initial certification from the Human Resources Certification Institute in 2008. He and his spouse, Jennifer, reside in Union, Kentucky where they are raising their two sons, Weston and Connor.