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Jeremy Villanueva, a disabled Marine combat veteran, was appointed assistant national legislative director in August 2019. He works at DAV's National Service and Legislative Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

In his position, Villanueva works to support and advance a broad range of federal legislative goals and policies to assist injured veterans and their families.

Villanueva served in the Marine Corps from 2000 to 2004 as an infantryman assigned to Raider company, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. While serving in combat during the initial invasion of Iraq in March 2003, he earned the Combat Action Ribbon, Presidential Unit Citation and Naval Unit Citation.

In 2013, Villanueva earned his B.A. in political science from California State University, Bakersfield, and was selected to participate in the Panetta Institute for Public Policy Congressional Internship Program in 2012 and interned for California Congressman Jeff Denham. There, Villanueva assisted with the Veterans Jobs Caucus.

In 2014, he began his DAV career as a national service officer apprentice in Los Angeles. He served as a national appeals officer in Washington, D.C., before joining DAV's legislative staff in 2017. He is a member of Chapter 20 in Bakersfield, California, and is active with Chapter 10 in Fairfax, Virginia. He and his wife, Michelle, reside in Chantilly, Virginia, and have two children, Daniel and Amber.

