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Major General James David Bryan US Army, Retired joined Northrop Grumman Information Technology (IT) as Vice President, Department of Defense (DoD) Transformation, reporting to Kent R. Schneider, President of Defense Enterprise Solutions. Dave is responsible for thought leadership, strategic planning, coordination and capture of markets related to the operational and business transformation of the defense community in the United States and internationally. The scope of his responsibilities also include DES, Northrop Grumman IT, and other sectors. Dave serves as Kent R. Schneider's deputy.

Dave is one of the leading experts in the information technology aspects of Defense Transformation. Most recently, as Vice Director of the Defense Information Systems Agency and the Commander of the Joint Task Force for Computer Network Operations, he was at the leading edge of planning for future networks and systems to support the DoD and other Government agencies. In this unique, dual-hat assignment, he directed two critically important organizations with global missions to develop, acquire, provide, operate, and defend telecommunications and computer systems and networks for the President of the United States, the Military Services, the Defense Agencies, and defense activities of the DoD. He has the vision to lead our strategic efforts in this critical area.

Dave began his career in 1970 as the Signal Officer for the 3rd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry, 82nd Airborne Division. This assignment was then followed by a succession of command and staff assignments within the airborne and special operations communities, as well as armored units and a stint as an Army Recruiter. He commanded the 112th Special Operations Signal Battalion and the 35th Airborne Signal Brigade, and served on both the Army Staff and the Joint Staff. As a Lieutenant Colonel/Colonel he became Director of Joint C4 Architectures and Integration, Joint Staff J-6. He authored and implemented the "C41 for the Warrior" program that completely revamped the DoD's approach to information system interoperability.

In 1998, as a Brigadier General, he became Director, Command, Control, Communication, and Computer Systems, J-6, United States Pacific Command in Hawaii and in 2000 he became Vice Director, Defense Information Systems Agency/Commander, Joint Task Force for Computer Network Operations in Arlington, Virginia. He was also promoted from Brigadier General to Major General during the last assignment.

Among numerous other accomplishments, Dave has been credited for transforming the Defense Information Systems Agency and re-establishing its credibility as a premier combat support agency. He established numerous people-oriented programs to recruit, train, and retain world-class technical personnel; reduced an inherited operating debt of more than \$250 million to near zero in four years; and oversaw the overhaul of 19 joint programs, which achieved cost schedule and performance goals within three years.

Dave has also been credited for developing and implementing the most innovative overhaul of network operations doctrine in the history of the Department of Defense, which resulted in the ability for the first time to manage and secure the DoD Global Information Grid of more than 3.5 million computers, 17 thousand local enclaves, and more than 150 thousand servers.

Dave earned his Bachelor's degree at Jacksonville State University and his Master's degree at North Carolina State University where he was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi for academic excellence achieving a perfect 4.0 in graduate studies. He is an Honor Graduate of the Signal Officer Advanced Course, and a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College and the Army War College where he earned a distinguished writing award for his major research thesis.

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