



Governor's Military Council Member Biographies

Chair:

Honorable Ellen Tauscher

Ellen O. Tauscher represented California's 10th Congressional District for more than 12 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, where she chaired the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Strategic Forces. Following her appointment by President Obama and confirmation by the U.S. Senate, she left Congress to serve as Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs, and later as Special Envoy for Strategic Stability and Missile Defense at the State Department. Before winning a seat in Congress, Tauscher spent 14 years working on Wall Street and was one of the first women to hold a seat on the New York Stock Exchange.

Council Members:

Military Leadership

Major General Alice Astafan, United States Air Force (Retired)

Major General Alice Astafan was a member of the 2005 California's Council on Military Base Support and Retention, has been a member and chair of the California Veterans Board, and has been a member of the Southwest Defense Alliance, a group working to preserve and enhance critical defense missions and assets in the southwest United States. Prior to her retirement from the U.S. Air Force, General Astafan was the highest ranking woman military officer in the United States. She has also served as the CEO for the Federal Technology Center, a non-profit dedicated to federal technology transfer and economic development in the Sacramento region and the state. She currently serves on the board of directors for the Oak Ridge Association of Research Universities (ORAU), Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Vice Admiral Jody A. Breckenridge, United States Coast Guard (Retired)

Vice Admiral Jody A. Breckenridge served as Commander, Coast Guard Pacific Area until her retirement from the Coast Guard in 2010. Prior to this assignment, she served as the Director, Strategic Transformation Team where she was responsible for aligning and synchronizing the

efforts to transform and modernize the Coast Guard. She has also served as the Commander of the 11th Coast Guard District, overseeing Coast Guard operations in the Southwest and the Eastern Pacific. During this time, the District stepped up its interagency collaboration, leading to record drug seizures including the largest maritime interdiction in US history and the arrest of the head of the Arellano Felix Drug Cartel.

Rear Admiral James Johnson, United States Navy, (Retired), M.D.

Rear Admiral Johnson was the 2012 President of the San Diego Military Advisory Council (SDMAC). He retired from the Navy in 2005 as the Director of TRICARE Regional Operations West, where he oversaw five-year, \$10 billion health care contracts and integrated health care delivery system for more than 2 million beneficiaries in 21 states in the Western United States. During his career, Dr. Johnson also served as Chief Executive Officer of Naval Medical Center, San Diego, Medical Officer of the Marine Corps, and Principal Deputy for Clinical and Program Policy in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs.

Major General Dennis Kenneally, United States Army (Retired)

Major General Kenneally currently serves as executive director of the Southwest Defense Alliance, a group working to preserve and enhance critical defense missions and assets in the southwest United States. A decorated combat veteran, he served in numerous assignments including Commanding General of the California Army National Guard, as well as its assistant Adjutant General and Director of the Office of Homeland Security. He has also served as Chairman of the Board of the San Diego Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association, Associate Administrator of the Veterans Administration, and Deputy Assistant Secretary for the United States Department of the Air Force.

Admiral Henry Mauz, United States Navy (Retired)

Following his retirement from 35 years of service, Admiral Mauz became involved with the Naval Postgraduate School and its supporting Foundation. Before his retirement, he served as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet, and prior to that as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations. He has also held command of the Seventh Fleet in the Far East, Naval Forces Central Command during Operation Desert Shield, and the carrier battle force that conducted operations against Libya in 1986. During his career, he was commanding officer of a minesweeper, a guided missile destroyer, and a cruiser, as well as ten river patrol boats operating in the South Vietnam delta area. His professional education has included the Naval Postgraduate School, the Air Force Command and Staff College, and the Naval War College.

Rear Admiral Benjamin Montoya, United States Navy (Retired)

Rear Admiral Montoya served as a Presidential Appointee on the 1995 Base Realignment and Closure Commission. During his military career, he served as the Chief of the Navy Civil Engineer Corps and Commander of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command. Following his retirement from the Navy in 1989, he held senior leadership positions in the utility industry in California and New Mexico. Admiral Montoya holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the U.S. Naval Academy, a degree in Civil Engineering from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a Juris

Doctorate from Georgetown Law School, and an Advanced Degree in Environmental Sciences from Georgia Tech.

Major General James M. ('Mike') Myatt, United State Marine Corps (Retired)

Major General Myatt was a member of the 2005 California's Council on Military Base Support and Retention, and has served as President and CEO of the Marines' Memorial Association in San Francisco since 2001. He has also worked for Bechtel Corporation, where he managed the \$22 billion construction project to build the Korean High Speed Rail. His military career included two combat tours in the Republic of Vietnam and command of the 1st Marine Division during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Major General Myatt holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics from Sam Houston State University, as well as a Master's Degree in Engineering Electronics from the Naval Post Graduate School.

Lieutenant General Eugene L. Tattini, United States Air Force (Retired)

General Tattini has served since 2001 as the deputy director of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. During his active duty service, he served as commander of the Space and Missile Systems Center at Los Angeles Air Force Base, where he was responsible for managing the research, design, development and acquisition of space launch, command and control, and satellite systems. His 36-year military career also included assignments ranging from Minuteman II missile combat crew member to an air staff acquisition policy staff officer in the Pentagon, as well as five tours in California.

Civic Leadership

Thomas R. Berard

Thomas Berard retired in 2011 as the Executive Director of the Air Force Flight Test Center at Edwards Air Force Base, California. Prior to this assignment, he was the Executive Director and Deputy to the Commanding General of the White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, where he was the first civilian to hold the position of Director. He has over thirty years of civil service experience in Developmental Test and Evaluation, including work on the B-1B and B-2 bombers and the F-15, T-38, F-22, and F-35 aircraft. Mr. Berard holds a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from California State University, Stanislaus, and a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from California State University, Northridge.

Philip E. Coyle

Mr. Coyle serves as a Senior Science Fellow at the Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation, and is a recognized expert on national security policy, military research and development, and defense spending. In 2005, Mr. Coyle served on the nine-member Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC), appointed by President George W. Bush. He has also served in the Obama Administration as the Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. Mr. Coyle also spent seven years as the Assistant Secretary of Defense and Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, in the Department of Defense.

Joseph A. Czyzyk

Joseph Czyzyk currently serves as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Los Angeles-based Mercury Air Group. He was the 2011 Chairman of the Board of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, and has served as a member of the Board of Governors of the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC). He is a decorated U.S. Veteran, having volunteered for two tours of duty (1966-1969) with the U.S. Navy Mobile Construction Battalion (Seabees) in the U.S. and Republic of Vietnam. Mr. Czyzyk is a Board Member of the CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation, and is on the Board of Directors of U.S. VETS.

Mr. Charles A. Giacchi

Charles Giacchi retired in 2007 as Technical Director of the Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) where he was the recipient of the Distinguished Executive Presidential Rank Award, the highest award given to members of the Senior Executive Service. Prior to this role, Mr. Giacchi served as Executive Director of NSWC's Port Hueneme Division, where he managed Port Hueneme Division's 2,200 employees and operating budget of \$600 million. Mr. Giacchi holds a Master of Science in Systems Engineering from the University of Southern California, and a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology from Chapman University.

Dr. Mary D. Lyons

Dr. Lyons has served as the President of the University of San Diego since 2003. She previously served as the President of the California Maritime Academy, an appointment with which she was commissioned as a Rear Admiral in the U.S. Maritime Service. During her twenty-five year career as a U.S. Naval Reserve Officer, her assignments included an active duty position teaching at the Naval Training Center and two appointments as Commanding Officer of Naval Reserve units. She retired in 1996 as a Captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve. Dr. Lyons sits on a number of boards including the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation.

State Leadership**Major General David S. Baldwin, Adjutant General, California Military Department**

Major General Baldwin serves as the 46th Adjutant General of California, leading the largest, most frequently deployed National Guard force in the United States, with an authorized strength of more than 23,000 personnel. He is responsible for the operation of the state Military Department, consisting of the California Army and Air National Guard, State Military Reserve, and California Youth and Community Programs. He has twice deployed to Afghanistan, where his assignments included Executive Officer of the Combined Forces Command, Deputy Commander of the 101st Airborne Division Tactical Command Post, and Senior Mentor to the Commanding General of the 201st Afghan Army Corps.

Assemblymember Rocky Chávez, Colonel, United States Marine Corps (Retired)

Assemblymember Chávez currently represents the 76th Assembly District, which includes Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, and serves as Vice Chair of the Assembly Veterans Affairs Committee. Prior to his election, he served as Undersecretary of the California Department of

Veterans Affairs, and later as Acting Secretary. Following his 2001 retirement from the United States Marine Corps as a Colonel and Chief of Staff for the 4th Marine Division, he also served for seven years on the Oceanside City Council.

Major General Anthony L. Jackson, United States Marine Corps (Retired)

Major General Jackson currently serves as the Director of the California Department of Parks and Recreation. Prior to his retirement, he served as the Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations West, with which he also served as co-chair of the Western Regional Council, tasked with coordinating renewable energy development within the Department of Defense and with other stakeholders. Previous assignments include Director of Operations and Logistics, U.S. Africa Command and Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Marine Forces Central Command. He has also served as a military advisor on national security and renewable energy to the Rockefeller Family Fund and Pew Charitable Trusts.

State Senator Steve Knight

Senator Knight currently represents the 21st District in the California State Senate, where he is the Chair of the Senate Select Committee on Defense and Aerospace, and the Vice Chair of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee. He previously served four years in the State Assembly, and before that on the Palmdale City Council. Before running for elected office, he spent 18 years in the Los Angeles Police Department, and is a U.S. Army veteran. Senator Knight resides in the Antelope Valley with his wife Lily and their two sons Christopher and Michael.

Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi

Assemblymember Muratsuchi currently represents the 66th District in the California Assembly, where he is the Chair of the Veterans Affairs Committee and the Select Committee on Aerospace. Prior to his election to the Assembly, he served as a prosecutor and Deputy Attorney General with the California Department of Justice for over eleven years, and before that with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office and the Santa Ana City Attorney's Office. He also served as a Torrance Unified School Board member for over seven years, and has served as Chairman of the Torrance Planning Commission and a member of the Torrance Environmental Quality and Energy Conservation Commission.

State Senator Richard Roth, Major General, United States Air Force (Retired)

Senator Roth currently represents the 31st District in the California State Senate, which includes March Air Reserve Base. He retired in 2007 from 32 years of military service in the United States Air Force Judge Advocate General's Corps, where he served as Mobilization Assistant to The Judge Advocate General of the U.S. Air Force, overseeing more than 900 Reserve judge advocates and paralegals assigned to more than 200 offices at every level of command. He also has over 30 years of experience in the practice of labor and employment law, having worked as an attorney with the National Labor Relations Board and various Riverside-based firms.