



Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army

GEORGIA (NORTH)



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Mr. John W. Phillips is the co-founder and Vice President of VETLANTA. He is a former Finance Director at The Coca-Cola Company and a U.S. Army retired Lieutenant Colonel. He is a former member of the board of directors of USO of Georgia, and former Chair for the Audit Committee / Executive Committee. He is a 2020 inductee to the Georgia Military Veteran Hall of Fame.

EDUCATION

University of Central Florida, BS; Syracuse University, MBA

MILITARY SERVICE

Mr. Phillips is a "Mustang". He served on active duty in the US Army Field Artillery as an enlisted soldier from 1975 to 1978 and then became a Commissioned Officer from 1982 to 1999. During his career, he served in the United States, Europe and Middle East. While in the Field Artillery, he served in VII Corps Artillery (twice), 4th Infantry Division, and the 101st Airborne (Air Assault) Division. While serving as a Comptroller, he served in the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), as well as, 3d U.S. Army that included one combat tour in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait during Operations Desert Shield and Storm as well as numerous other countries across the Middle East. Mr. Phillips also served as the Secretary of the General Staff and Aide to the First US Army Commander rank of Lieutenant Colonel and retired in 1999.

MEMBERSHIPS AND OTHER AFFILIATIONS

MILITARY: Honorable Order of Saint Barbara (1984). The Veterans of Foreign Wars (1992). Disabled American Veterans (Lifetime Member). Order of Saint Maurice – Legionnaire (2020). Ancient Order of Saint Barbara (2023).

CIVIC: Board Member, Georgia Veteran Service Foundation (2023); Co-Founder and Vice President, VETLANTA (2014 – Present); Former Managing Director, Boots to Loafers, LLC (2013 – 2022); Member, Board of Directors of USO of Georgia (2017 – 2021); Chair, Audit Committee, USO of Georgia (2017 – 2021).

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Phillips earned numerous awards and decorations to include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (2 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (3 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (2 OLC), Good Conduct Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Air Assault Badge and the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara and the Order of Saint Maurice - Legionnaire. Mr. Phillips was awarded the Ancient Order of St. Barbara (2023).

ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT

July 2020

