

# Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army

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Mr. Joe Driskill is a Senior Advisor for the Sustainable Ozarks Partnership at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri where he provides strategic advice and research, especially in the areas of community-installation relationship building and service member and family quality of life initiatives. Before his retirement he was the Governor's Military Advocate for the State of Missouri, leading Missouri's efforts to coordinate state and local actions to preserve and expand Missouri's military installations, missions, and agencies; improve the quality of life and opportunities for service members and their families; and to support and enhance the state's defense industries. Earlier in his career Mr. Driskill was the founding executive director of the Leonard Wood Institute at Fort Leonard Wood; state cabinet director of the Missouri Department of Economic Development; a member of the State Board of Education and the Missouri Development Finance Board; executive director of the Missouri Technology Corporation; and a 6-term member of the Missouri House of Representatives from southern Missouri.

#### **EDUCATION**

Mr. Driskill earned a Master of Science Degree in Public Administration and Finance, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science from the University of Missouri. In addition, Mr. Driskill attended the U.S. Army War College, National Security Seminar, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania (2008) and the U.S. Air Force Air War College, National Security Forum, Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, Alabama (2009).

### **MEMBERSHIPS AND OTHER AFFILIATIONS**

President, Association of Defense Communities (ADC), Washington, D.C. (2018-2020); Board Member, ADC (2012-2021); Member, Association of the U.S. Army, Fort Leonard Wood Mid-MO Chapter (2006-Present); Chair, Major General Leonard Wood Foundation, Fort Leonard Wood (2022-Present); Board Member, National Defense Industrial Association (2016-2023); Member, Society of American of Professional Military Engineers (2006-2016); Member, Missouri Economic Development Council (1993-2006); and Member, Jefferson City, Missouri Rotary Club (2007-Present)

#### AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Driskill earned numerous awards and recognitions during his professional career, including the Charles Dick Medal of Merit from the National Guard Association of the United States; the Colonel Edward A. Owsley Superior Service Award, Fort Leonard Wood Mid-MO Chapter, AUSA; Meritorious Service Award, National Association of State Workforce Administrators; the Missouri Chamber of Commerce, Spirit of Enterprise Award; and the National Federation of Independent Business, Meritorious Service Award

### **ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT**

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