

Colonel Jeffrey A. Marquez

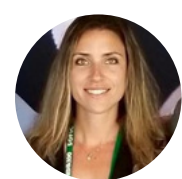
USA, Retired



Jeff Marquez retired after serving 30 years in the United States Army culminating at the National Security Council as Senior Director for Response Policy (Acting) and Director for Continuity Policy. Having served overseas and stateside, from the Pentagon and combat zones to the White House, Jeff now uses his skills and experience to help leaders and organizations be better.

During his 30 years of service, Jeff held leadership and staff assignments in the field artillery and led organizations in Army Major Commands, Army Staff, Joint Commands, and at the White House. While serving in Iraq, he led the team that developed the methodology and program to successfully draw down all United States forces in accordance with the United States-Iraq Security Agreement. At the Pentagon, he and his team were responsible for determining force structure requirements, resourcing, and the accurate accounting and documentation of the Army including the Active force, Army Reserve, and the Army National Guard military and civilian members—over 1.7 million positions. He was present in the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. In Hawaii, he led the transformation of United States Army forces in the Pacific, a plan that reshaped the Army in Hawaii, Alaska, Guam, American Samoa, Japan, and Korea, improving the readiness posture of Army forces not only for war, but humanitarian assistance, disaster response, and military support to civil authorities as well. After retirement, Jeff served as a Chief of Staff and Director at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In 2019, he started Marquez Leadership, Culture & Strategy, LLC.

Jeff hails from Denver, Colorado, and started his Army career in the Field Artillery. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Behavioral Sciences from the Metropolitan State University of Denver, a Master of Arts in Education from the University of Saint Mary, a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College and is a graduate of the National Preparedness Leadership Initiative at Harvard University.



"I always appreciated the trust and confidence you showed in us and the Leadership / Mentorship you provided. You inspire people every day." - Nathalie Winters, Department of Homeland Security



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"Jeff, your leadership...will be greatly missed. You worked in one of our Nation's most demanding environments with impressive skill, and I appreciate your dedication and professionalism." - President Barack Obama

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