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MILITARY AFFAIRS COUNCIL SPRING SOCIAL



The Military Affairs Council is proud to host Peter Marksteiner, renowned former Circuit Executive and Clerk of Court for the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit at the Spring Social at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 2 at the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County.

The MAC Social will be a precursor to the President's Speaker Series, which will be held on Friday, May 3 and will feature two sessions led by Marksteiner from 9 to noon. The two sessions are titled "Time-Tested Strategies to Avoid HR-Related Complications and Friction on Your Team" and "Don't Waste Your Organization's Most Valuable Resources By Inefficiently Using Information Technology."

With an illustrious career spanning decades, Marksteiner brings a wealth of experience and expertise in the realms of judiciary administration and legal practice. As the Circuit Executive, he spearheaded the management of all business operations of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, including Human Resources, Information Technology, Physical Plant & Security, Budget, Procurement, the Circuit Library and the Office of General Counsel. Simultaneously, in his role as Clerk of Court, Marksteiner ensured the orderly clearance of cases through the Court's adjudication process.

Prior to his tenure at the Federal Circuit Court, Marksteiner served as a Colonel in the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAG Corps), where he held the position of Director of Civil Law and Litigation. Leading a team of 287 legal professionals across 38 locations nationwide, he oversaw a diverse portfolio of judicial and administrative civil litigation practice areas.

Marksteiner's educational background is equally impressive, holding a B.S. in Criminology, cum laude, from Florida State University, a Master of Aeronautical Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, a J.D. with honors from Florida State University School of Law, and an LL.M. in Labor & Employment Law, with distinction, from the Georgetown University Law Center.

Marksteiner has also been honored with numerous military awards and recognitions, including the Legion of Merit, the ABA's Career Military Service Award, and the Air Force Association's Outstanding Career Military Attorney Award. His dedication to excellence has been further underscored by his contributions to the field, having spoken and written extensively on topics related to human capital management in organizations and Information Overload in knowledge-based environments.

Under Marksteiner's leadership, both the Legal Information Services Directorate of the Air Force JAG Corps and the Clerk's Office of the Court of Appeals were recipients of the esteemed W. Edwards Deming Training Awards, a testament to his commitment to innovation and excellence in professional development.

"We are honored to welcome retired Air Force Colonel Peter Marksteiner as our keynote speaker for the first President's Speaker Series," says CEO Nat Robertson. "His extensive career history is invaluable and guaranteed to educate industry professionals of all kinds."

The President's Speaker Series promises to be an enlightening and enriching experience, offering attendees the opportunity to gain invaluable knowledge and network with peers across various sectors. Pre-registration is required. To learn more about upcoming events and secure your spot, visit [FAYBIZ.COM](https://faybiz.com).

FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER:



**PETER
MARKSTEINER**

Lawyer & Retired Clerk
of Federal Court

MAY 2 6:30PM

LOCATION: THE ARTS COUNCIL OF
FAYETTEVILLE/CUMBERLAND COUNTY
301 Hay Street, Fayetteville NC 28301



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New Members

March 2024

- **Michelle Matthewson-Woodard**,
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- **Linda McAllister**, Up & Coming Weekly
- **Brian Pearce**,
Cape Fear Valley Health System
- **James Frederick**, Elite Care Service Inc.
- **Keith Noble**,
Black's Tire and Auto Service
- **Tim Richardson**, First Citizens Bank
- **Kevin Wester**, Destiny Real Estate
- **James Grimes**,
82nd Airborne Division Association Inc.
- **Matthew Starcher**,
Webster University at Fort Liberty
- **Logan Geddle**,
Coldwell Bank Advantage
- **Geoff McElhattan**, Team E-Z Auto

MAC Leadership Team to Issue Survey



Stay tuned for a membership survey to be sent out including key topics such as networking events, educational programs, community outreach, business development and advocacy and government relations. This survey will be given to current and former MAC members as well as Fort Liberty leadership as we continue to build the Military Affairs Council back post-Covid.

MAC events on the horizon:

- Shooting event at The Range Complex
- Ax throwing social
- MAC Golf Tournament 2025

E.E. Smith High School public meeting on April 15

A public meeting hosted between members of the community and Fort Liberty regarding the proposed move of E.E. Smith High School to a new location at Fort Liberty will take place on April 15 at 5:30 p.m. at Stryker Golf Course. Lt. Gen Donahue will be in attendance.

New FORSCOM Deputy Commanding General

Greater Fayetteville Chamber President/CEO Nat Robertson recently attended the promotion and welcome ceremony in honor of Major General Stephen G. Smith.

Smith was named deputy commander general and chief of staff for the U.S. Army Forces Command alongside Commanding General Andrew Poppas. A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Smith was commissioned as a second lieutenant from the ROTC program at The Citadel in 1991. He holds a master's degree from Mississippi State University and is a graduate of the Field Artillery Basic and Advanced Courses, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, the Senior Service College, and the Joint and Combined Warfighting School.

In September 2023, Smith was nominated for promotion to lieutenant general and assignment as director's advisor for military affairs to the director of national intelligence. He previously served as commanding general of the 7th Infantry Division, deputy commanding general of I Corps, the commandant of the United States Army Field Artillery School and the 18th Field Artillery Brigade.



In Other News

MAC CHAIR PROMOTED AT CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY



MAC Chair **Nicole Winget** was promoted to dean of Campbell University's Adult and Online Education program. She had served as interim dean since August 1.

As dean of Adult & Online Education, she takes over a program that currently ranks in the Top 25 percent of schools in the nation for its online bachelor's programs, according to the most recent rankings by U.S. News & World Report.

AOE also ranks consistently high for "Best Online Bachelor's Programs for Veterans" and "Best Online Bachelor's in Business Programs." The program also serves the military community by operating a campus on both Fort Liberty and Camp Lejeune military posts.

Methodist University was named a Military Friendly university with a gold-level ranking and was also listed as one of the Military Times' "Best for Vets" schools.

Fayetteville State University recently received the Silver Military Friendly School designation for the second consecutive year.

These designations are for the 2024-25 academic year and was awarded by Victory, an independent media organization that connects the military community to civilian employment, educational and entrepreneurial opportunities.

FTCC has consistently been awarded Top 10 Military Friendly status in the large community college category, including earning the No. 1 ranking. FTCC has also earned the designation of Military-Spouse Friendly School for 2023-24.

Methodist University has a Fort Liberty office and is dedicated to serving active-duty military, veterans, and their family members with personal assistance on general inquiries, admission, registration, academic and career advisement and tuition assistance. They also offer more than two dozen 100-percent online degree and certification programs – allowing active-duty military the flexibility they need to take the steps in their education or career.

FSU has offered free tuition to qualifying military-affiliated students through the military tuition scholarship since 2022 to reduce financial barriers for military connect individuals with no access to Department of Defense (DOD) tuition assistance. Active duty, members of the National Guard or Reserves with an honorable discharge, military spouses of active-duty service members or veterans, children or other recognized legal dependents of active-duty service members or veterans qualify for the military tuition scholarship. Approximately 33% of FSU's nearly 7,000 students are military affiliated.



AREA COLLEGES NAMED MILITARY FRIENDLY SCHOOLS

Fayetteville Technical Community College has again been named a Top 10 Military Friendly School, earning the No. 4 spot on the list of large community colleges nationwide.