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**Robert M. "Bo" Dyess**

Major General, U.S. Army (Retired)

Major General (Retired) Robert ("Bo") Dyess retired in 2018 from the United States Army after 36 years of distinguished service and served worldwide in various command and staff positions. He served in storied units including the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division, where he participated in combat operations in Operation Urgent Fury in Grenada, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division both in Germany and Fort Stewart, Georgia. In Korea, he served along side the First Republic of Korea Army in the Combat Support Coordination Team #1.

He served as the Chief of Force Integration in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan in the Combined Security Transition Command to grow and mature the Afghan National Army. His last U.S. Army assignment was the acting Director of the Army Capabilities Integration Center (ARCIC). During that time, he was responsible for the U.S. Army's future concept development, requirements integration, and experimentation.

Prior to that, Dyess served as the Director of Force Development (FD) in the Pentagon's Army Staff (G8), responsible for developing the Army's equipment modernization strategy and recommending the resource allocation to support equipment procurement, research, development, test, and evaluation.

Following Army retirement, Bo served as Vice President, Government Relations (Army and Missile Defense) at Northrop Grumman's Corporate Headquarters for nearly five years. In this role, he maintained effective customer relations and understood the priorities of the military services and defense agencies.

Dyess was recently selected as Senior Vice President, Business Development, Munitions and Government, Day & Zimmermann in 2024. He is responsible for the company's munitions business development for the US Government and International partners. Day & Zimmermann is ranked by Forbes as one of the largest privately held companies in the United States and is one of America's leading producers of ammunition.

In 2022, Bo was selected as the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Marshall Legacy Institute (MLI) a humanitarian organization founded by General Gordon R. Sullivan in 1997 to extend the vision & legacy of Nobel Peace Laureate George C. Marshall. MLI's mission is to locate, secure, and apply skills and resources to alleviate suffering, restore hope, and create conditions that nurture stability in countries affected by conflict. He is a graduate of the United States Military Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering and holds two Masters of Science degrees: Systems Engineering from Virginia Tech and Strategic Studies from the Air War College.

MG (R) Dyess was inducted into the Army's Force Management Hall of Fame in August 2021 for his significant and lasting contributions that enhanced the practice of Army force management. Dyess is a committee member of the Army Science Board, and a member of the Virginia War Memorial Foundation Board.

His military decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal (with oak leaf), Legion of Merit (with oak leaf), Bronze Star (with oak leaf), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with four oak leaves), the French National Order of Merit, The Combat Infantryman's badge, the Ranger Tab, and the Senior Parachutist Badge.

Bo and his wife, Sharon, reside in Northern Virginia and have one daughter, Marilyn.