# AFA nominees 2017-2018

## Candidates for national office and the Board of Directors.

The Air Force Association Nominating Committee met on May 6 and May 9 and selected candidates to send forward for National Officer positions and National Director positions on the Board of Directors. The Committee consists of three past Chairmen of the Board, one person selected by each of the two Vice Chairmen of the Board, two persons representing each geographic area, and one person each representing the Total Air Force, Air Force veterans, and aerospace industry constituencies. The slate of candidates will be presented to the delegates at the AFA National Convention in National Harbor, Md., in September.

#### **CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**



F. Whitten
Peters, Washington, D.C.,
nominated for
Chairman of
the Board for a
second oneyear term. A Life
Member, Peters
joined AFA after

becoming Undersecretary of the Air Force, a position he held from 1997 until 1999. He was subsequently confirmed as the 19th Secretary of the Air Force in 1999 and served in that position until 2001. Before then, he was the DOD Principal Deputy General Counsel. Peters was appointed an AFA National Director five times beginning in October 2008. He served on AFA's national-level Executive Committee and Development Committee and received the AFA Chairman's Citation in 2016.

Peters received the W. Stuart Symington Award in 1999 and the DOD Distinguished Public Service medal three times. He is the first Secretary of the Air Force to hold the Order of the Sword. Peters earned a bachelor's degree from Harvard University in government, a master's degree in economics from the London School of Economics, and a juris doctor degree from Harvard Law School. He served in the Navy Reserve as a Computer Systems Division Officer and Company Commander. Peters has been a member of several advisory organizations, including the National Commission on the Structure of the Air Force, the Defense Science Board, and the presidential advisory Commission on the Future of the United States Aerospace Industry. He has been on the Board of Trustees for the Air Force Aid Society, the Air Force Academy's Falcon Foundation, and the Air Force Enlisted Village. Peters is a Lawyer.

### VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, FIELD OPERATIONS



F. Gavin Mac-Aloon, Tyndall AFB, Fla., nominated for Vice Chairman of the Board for Field Operations for a second one-year term. A Life Member,

MacAloon joined AFA in 1984. He has been the Central East Region President and served on the Field Council as Chairman of the e-Business and the Emerging Leader Program Subcommittees. He is a Founding Member of AFA's Wounded Airman Program. He served on the national-level Nominating Committee, as Supervisor of Elections, and in several State and Chapter offices, including Vice President for Fund-raising for the Virginia state AFA and President of the Donald W. Steele Sr. Memorial Chapter. He has received an AFA

#### VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, AEROSPACE EDUCATION



Richard B. Bundy, Spotsylvania, Va., nominated for Vice Chairman of the Board for Aerospace Education for a third one-year term. An AFA

member since 1971, he is on the Executive Committee of the Richmond Chapter and previously served as Delaware State President for nine years. At the national level, he has been on the Nominating Committee and the Aerospace Education Council. AFA awards include the Presidential Citation, Exceptional

Chairman's Citation, an Exceptional Service Award, a Medal of Merit, and numerous awards from the region and chapter, most notably the 2012 Virginia Member of the Year. Mac-Aloon earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Southeast Missouri State University and a master's degree in administration from Central Michigan University. He served in the Air Force for 22 years primarily as a Master Air Battle Manager on AWACS and Airborne Battlefield Command and Control Center aircraft. MacAloon also served on the Air Staff, gaining leadership, management, and acquisition experience. Along with extensive AFA involvement, he is a member of the Association of Old Crows, the National Defense Industrial Association, Military Officers Association of America, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. MacAloon retired after a second career with an aerospace and manufacturing corporation and is now a business development and acquisition Consultant.

Service Award, and Medal of Merit. Bundy served in the Air Force for 33 years as an Airlift Pilot and as a Staff Officer at major command, Air Staff, Joint Staff, and DOD levels. He commanded a squadron, group, and wing. He later served as the Executive Director of the Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings for 10 years as the direct liaison with senior officers and the staff of AFA and AFROTC. During this period, he convinced the Silver Wings members to join their Arnold Air counterparts as full members of AFA. Due to his efforts, all members of Arnold Air and Silver Wings are AFA members. He earned a bachelor's degree in transportation and logistics management from San Francisco State University and a master's degree in personnel management from Webster University.

#### **NATIONAL SECRETARY**



Ross B.
Lampert,
Hereford, Ariz.,
nominated for
a first one-year
term as National Secretary.
A Life Member, Lampert
joined AFA in

1975 through the Arnold Air Society. He was the Southwest Region President from 2013 to 2015 and has been Arizona State President and president of the Central Oklahoma (Gerrity) Chapter and the Cochise Chapter in Arizona. Lampert serves on the Field Council, is now Chairman of the Field Council Training

Subcommittee, and is a CyberPatriot Advocate. In addition to state-level AFA awards, he received the national-level Chairman's Citation in 2010 and in 2015, two Exceptional Service awards, and a Medal of Merit. Lampert earned a bachelor's degree in physics from the University of Colorado, Boulder, and master's degrees in systems management from the University of Southern California and in English from the University of Central Oklahoma. Today an Author and Publisher, Lampert served in the Air Force for 22 years, primarily in airborne command and control. His community work includes organizations ranging from the STEM in Action Partnership and two writers'

#### NATIONAL TREASURER



Steven R.
Lundgren, Fairbanks, Alaska,
nominated for a
second one-year
term as National
Treasurer. An
AFA member for
more than 30
years, Lundgren

was AFA National Treasurer from 2005 to 2010. He serves as AFA Alaska State Treasurer. Lundgren has been a Northwest Region President and served on the national-level Finance, Audit, and Executive Committees. He received AFA's Member of the Year Award in 2011 and was awarded a Presidential Citation in 2003.

His volunteer and civic organization work includes the Alaskan Command Civilian Advisory Board, the American Bankers Association (ABA) Community Bankers Council, the Fairbanks **Economic Development Corporation** Board, and the Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce Board. He is Vice Chairman of the Alaska Committee for the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve program. Lundgren, who was President of the Alaska Bankers Association 2015-16, earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Oregon State University and has attended ABA professional-school courses. Lundgren began his career in banking in 1978 and is President and CEO of a community bank in Fairbanks.

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#### **NATIONAL DIRECTOR AT LARGE**

The Nominating Committee submits four names for National Director at Large. Two will be elected for a threeyear term.



Mark R.
"Buster"
Douglas,
Williamsburg,
Va. A Life Member, Douglas
joined AFA in
1990. He is the
Langley Chapter

President and was an AFA Emerging Leader in 2016. Douglas has been a member of the national-level Strategic Planning Committee and has served as State Aerospace Education VP and Chapter Executive Vice President and Secretary. He received an AFA Medal of Merit in 2016. Douglas earned a bachelor's degree in military history at the Air Force Academy and a master's degree in airline operations from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. Douglas retired from the Air Force after a 22-year career. Now a Program Manager for an aerospace and defense company, he is a member of the company's Veteran's Employee Resource Group.



Richard W.
"Rick" Hartle,
Layton, Utah.
An AFA member since 1998, Hartle has served
AFA on the national level as a National Di-

rector at Large from 2011 to 2014 and on three committees: Strategic Plan-

ning, Transition Constitution, and Development. Life Member Hartle has also been the Utah State President, Utah Aerospace Education Foundation President and Board Chairman, and Ute-Rocky Mountain Chapter President. He has received a national-level Medal of Merit, the AFA Utah State Presidential Citation, and the Utah AEF Exceptional Service Award. His community involvement includes board positions with the Utah Defense Alliance, Strategic Deterrent Coalition, and the Top of Utah Military Affairs Committee. Hartle earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from New Mexico State University and completed National Defense University and Boeing Leadership Center courses in management, business development, finance, and leadership. Hartle is retired from a 35-year career with a defense contractor.



Blaine
D. Holt, League
City, Texas.
Holt joined
AFA through
the Arnold Air
Society in 1984
and became a
Life Member in

2010. He earned a bachelor's degree in management information systems from the University of Georgia and master's degrees from the Air War College, in strategic studies, and from George Washington University in education technology. He served in the Air Force for 27 years, including assignments as an Airlift and Tanker Pilot and as a Military Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations. His last assignment before retiring in 2015

was as the Deputy Military Representative to NATO. He has previously worked with AFA's national leaders, from 2011 to 2012, as Director of the Secretary of the Air Force's and Chief of Staff's Executive Action Group. Holt's community involvement encompasses the Wings Club of New York and the STEM Garden Institute. He is Executive Vice President of Operations for a privately held aerospace and automotive manufacturing company.



Mark L. Tarpley, Oklahoma City. AFA Life Member Tarpley joined the association in 1989 and is Oklahoma State President

and Field Council Chairman of the Advocacy Subcommittee. Previously, he held office as the Central Oklahoma (Gerrity) Chapter's President, Vice President, and Aerospace Education VP. Tarpley served on the national level on the Credentials Committee in 2013 and in 2014. He has received a national-level Exceptional Service Award and Medal of Merit and was AFA Oklahoma's Person of the Year. Tarpley earned a bachelor's degree in business and computer science from Texas A&M Commerce and a master's degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. His Air Force career spanned 27 years, including time as an Expeditionary Operations Group Commander. Now a retired Consultant, he is a Rose State College Foundation Board Member and belongs to several military associations.

#### NATIONAL DIRECTOR, CENTRAL EAST AREA

The Nominating Committee submits one name for National Director, Central East Area, for a three-year term.

**Tyler Johnson,** Hampton, Va. Johnson joined AFA through AFROTC and the Arnold Air Society. He is a Life Member and the Central East Region President. Before that, he was the Langley Chapter President and Executive Vice President. Johnson has served on three AFA national



committees:
Development,
Membership,
and the Field
Council. He
has received a
national-level
Exceptional Service Award and

a Medal of Merit. Johnson earned a bachelor's degree in economics and history from Vanderbilt University and a master's degree in communications from Johns Hopkins University. He served for eight years on Active Duty as a Program Manager before transitioning to the Reserves, where he worked as an Operations Research Analyst in the Air Operations Center weapon system. He is now an Air National Guard Tactical Air Control Party/Air Liaison Officer in the 116th Air Support Operations Squadron, Camp Murray, Wash. Johnson is an Arnold Air Society-Silver Wings National Administrative Consultant and a Senior Account Executive for a software company.