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Board Member

Devon Cross is Director of The Policy Forum on International Affairs and has extensive experience in funding research on foreign policy issues having served as Director of Research at Smith Richardson Foundation, President of The Donner Canadian Foundation, and Director of The Gilder Foundation. Ms. Cross serves on the boards of The Peter Munk Charitable Foundation, Intelligence Squared/US, and the Advisory Board for Johns Hopkins SAIS National Security Studies Program, and served on the Pentagon's Defense Policy Board from 2001-2009. Her Washington experience included stints at The Center for Strategic and International Studies, Carnegie Endowment, and the International Security Studies Program at the Woodrow Wilson Center. She studied at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies and received her BA from Bryn Mawr College. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Vic H. Fazio

Board Member

Vic H. Fazio is Senior Advisor at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP. Mr. Fazio represented California's 3rd District in the US Congress for twenty years, where he served on the House Appropriations Committee as a subcommittee chairman or ranking member for eighteen years. He was also a member of the Armed Services, Budget, Ethics and House Administration committees. Mr. Fazio was active in the Democratic leadership, serving as vice chair and, later, chair of the Democratic Caucus, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, majority whip-at-large and regional representative on the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee. Before his election to Congress, Mr. Fazio served in the California State Assembly. After his retirement from Congress in 1998, Mr. Fazio joined strategic communications consulting firm Clark & Weinstock. Mr. Fazio is a graduate of Union College in Schenectady (NY). He is a co-founder of the California Journal, a periodical covering state government and politics. Mr. Fazio serves on boards of the UC Davis Foundation, California Institute, the US Capitol Historical Society, the Campaign Finance Institute, Northrop Grumman Corporation, Ice Energy Corporation and the National Parks Second Century Commission and Committee for a Responsible Budget.

J. Randy Forbes

Board Member

Former U.S. Representative J. Randy Forbes is the Naval War College Foundation Senior Distinguished Fellow at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island.

As a Senior Distinguished Fellow, Forbes shares with students and faculty his perspective on topics such as maritime strategy, naval policy, civil-military relations, and the role of Congress in national security affairs. Forbes joined the Naval War College faculty in January 2017 after representing the Hampton Roads region for 16 years in the U.S. House of Representatives.

While in Congress, Forbes served as a senior member of the House Armed Services Committee. As Chairman of the Subcommittee on Readiness from 2011-2013, Forbes was responsible for setting readiness policy and authorizing funding for operations and maintenance, training, military construction, and munitions procurement. As Chairman of the Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces from 2013-2017, Forbes oversaw Navy policy, shipbuilding programs, and weapons procurement, along with elements of naval aviation and the Air Force's long-range bomber, tanker, and airlift aircraft.

As Subcommittee Chairman and Co-Chair of the Congressional Navy-Marine Corps Caucus, Forbes was widely recognized as the leading authority in Congress on naval issues and as a vocal advocate for the sea services and our men and women in uniform. Throughout his 8 terms in Congress, he was at the forefront of efforts to foster strategic thinking about threats to our national security, lift the threat of defense sequestration, restore military readiness, achieve savings and acquisition reform, and build the Navy,

Marine Corps, and other military forces needed for national defense. In addition to naval issues, Forbes was a leading voice on U.S. security policy towards the Asia-Pacific region. After visiting China in 2005, Forbes founded the Congressional China Caucus to call attention to China's growing military and economic power and raise awareness among Members of Congress and the public about its implications for the United States. In subsequent years, Forbes chaired a special series of Asia-Pacific oversight hearings and introduced numerous pieces of legislation focused on the region.

In recognition of his work in Congress, Forbes was hailed by the Chief of Naval Operations as "the wind in our strategic sails" and endorsed by seven former Secretaries of the Navy.

He has been recognized with more than a dozen awards for his maritime leadership, including the Navy's Distinguished Public Service Award and the Navy League's "Outstanding Civilian Leadership" and "Teddy Roosevelt 'Big Stick'" Awards.

Prior to his service in Congress, Forbes served in the Virginia Senate and House of Delegates, and was an attorney in private practice. A lifelong resident of Chesapeake, Virginia, Forbes is married to Shirley and has four children. Forbes received his B.A. in Political Science from Randolph-Macon College (graduating valedictorian) and his J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School. He is a frequent speaker on national defense issues and his writing has appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The National Interest*, *The Diplomat*, *Real Clear Defense*, and the *Proceedings of the U.S. Naval Institute*.

Nelson M. Ford

Chairman

Nelson M. Ford is President and CEO of LMI, a government consulting firm. Prior to joining LMI in 2009, Mr. Ford was Under Secretary of the Army. Previous to this position, he held a number of positions in the Department of Defense, including Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller. From 1997 to 2000, he was President and CEO of Clinipad, a manufacturer of disposable medical products. During the 1990s, he was Chief Operating Officer of Georgetown University Medical Center. During the 1980s, Mr. Ford was a partner with Coopers & Lybrand, providing strategic and financial consulting services to a wide range of healthcare clients. During the 1970s, he was the Executive Secretary of the Health Care Financing Administration and worked on health policy matters in the Office of Management and Budget. Mr. Ford holds a bachelor's degree in history from Duke University, a master's in education from the University of Delaware.

Adam Frankel

Board Member

Adam B. Frankel is a Senior Managing Director and the firm's General Counsel.

Prior to joining Evercore in July 2006, from 2003 to 2006, Mr. Frankel was senior vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary of Genesee & Wyoming Inc., a leading owner and operator of short line and regional freight railroads in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Australia and Bolivia. Mr. Frankel was also responsible for matters related to human resources and government affairs. Mr. Frankel worked from 1999 until 2003 as a corporate and transactions attorney in the office of the general counsel at Ford Motor Company. From 1995 until 1999, Mr. Frankel was an associate at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett in London and New York.

Mr. Frankel is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a trustee at the Sesame Workshop. He has a B.A. from Brown University and a J.D. from Stanford Law School.

Barbara Humpton

Board Member

Barbara Humpton serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of Siemens Government Technologies, Inc., a federally-compliant U.S. organization and leading integrator of Siemens' innovative products, technologies and services for programs and requirements at federal government agencies and departments in the areas of energy generation, transmission, distribution and efficiency, infrastructure modernization, industrial applications and healthcare. Mrs. Humpton is also an Officer/Director member of the Board of Directors of Siemens Government Technologies, Inc.

Prior to joining Siemens, Humpton served as a Vice President at Booz Allen Hamilton where she was responsible for program performance and new business development for technology consulting in the Department of Justice and Department of Homeland Security. Earlier, Humpton was a Vice President at Lockheed Martin Corporation with responsibility for Biometrics Programs, Border and Transportation Security and Critical Infrastructure Protection, including such critical programs as the FBI's Next Generation Identification and the TSA's Transportation Workers' Identification Credential.

Humpton is a graduate of Wake Forest University with a degree in Mathematics. She resides in Washington, DC with her husband David.

Jack Keane

Board Member

General Jack Keane is president, GSI Consulting. He serves as chairman of the Institute for the Study of War and the Knollwood Foundation, executive chairman of AM General and is a director of General Dynamics, the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, the Smith Richardson Foundation, a member of the Commission on National Defense Strategy selected by Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman, Senator John McCain, and a former and recent member, for 9 years, of the Secretary of Defense Policy Board. General Keane is also a Trustee Fellow of Fordham University, and an advisor to the George C. Marshall Foundation.

General Keane, a four-star general, completed over 37 years of public service in December 2003, culminating in his appointment as acting Chief of Staff and Vice Chief of Staff of the US Army. General Keane appears before Congress regularly, offering testimony on matters of foreign policy and national security. He serves as the senior military analyst for Fox News and speaks throughout the country on leadership and national security. General Keane is a career infantry paratrooper, a combat veteran of Vietnam, decorated for valor, who spent much of his military life in operational commands where he commanded the famed 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and the legendary 18th Airborne Corps, the Army's largest war fighting organization.

General Keane graduated from Fordham University with a Bachelor of Science degree and received a Master of Arts degree from Western Kentucky University. He is a graduate of the Army War College and the Command and General Staff College.

Dave McCurdy

Board Member

Dave McCurdy is currently President and CEO of the American Gas Association. He most recently served as President and CEO of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers, a trade association of car and light truck manufacturers including BMW Group, Chrysler Group LLC, Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Jaguar Land Rover, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz USA, Mitsubishi Motors, Porsche, Toyota and Volkswagen Group of America.

Mr. McCurdy came to the Alliance in 2007, after serving as President and CEO of the Electronics Industry Alliance (EIA) for eight years. In April of 2001, Mr. McCurdy co-founded the Internet Security Alliance as a non-profit collaboration between EIA and Carnegie Mellon University CyLab to enhance cyber security.

Mr. McCurdy spent 14 years (1981-1995) in the House of Representatives as the Member from the Fourth Congressional District of Oklahoma. He attained numerous leadership positions, including Chairman of the House Intelligence Committee; Chairman of the Military Installations and Facilities Subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee; and Chairman of the Transportation Aviation and Materials Subcommittee of the Science and Space Committee. As a House Member, Congressman McCurdy played a major role in enacting the 1988 National Superconductivity Competitiveness Act; the 1985 Goldwater-Nichols Act, which reorganized the Department of Defense; the Nunn-McCurdy Amendment in 1982, requiring Congressional notification of Department of Defense cost overruns of 15% or more; and the 1993 National Service Legislation, which originated in a bill introduced by Congressman McCurdy and Senator Nunn.

In 2008, Secretary of Defense Robert Gates appointed Congressman McCurdy to the Defense Policy Board which provides the secretary with independent, informed advice and opinion concerning matters of defense policy. Mr. McCurdy was reappointed to the Defense Policy Board in 2009 by the Obama Administration.

Laurence Zuriff

Board Member

Laurence Zuriff is the founder and CFO of Xometry, an advanced manufacturing company founded in 2013 and has a 20 year career managing money in the US public equity markets.

Mr. Zuriff currently chairs the International Economics Working Group of the John Hay Initiative and is a board member of the Alexander Hamilton Society.

Mr. Zuriff holds a B.A. degree from Brown University and an M.A. from Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.