



Leidos Announces Appointment of Lt. General William J. Bender as Strategic Account Executive, Government Relations

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RESTON, Va., Sept. 5, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- [Leidos](#) (NYSE: LDOS), a FORTUNE 500® science and technology company, announced today that Lt. General William J. Bender will join the company as Strategic Account Executive, Government Relations, effective September 5. In his role General Bender will be responsible for strengthening and advancing trusted relationships with customers and advancing strategic initiatives to foster organic growth.



General Bender brings more than 34 years of military experience and executive-level leadership in multiple facets of information technology (IT) and government services. General Bender most recently served as Chief Information Officer for the United States Air Force (USAF), where he was responsible for 50,000 cyber operations and support personnel across the globe with oversight for the USAF's IT investment strategy and a portfolio valued at \$17 billion. Prior to his most recent role, General Bender was the second highest ranking military officer, based at the United States Embassy in Iraq, serving as the Deputy Chief, Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq with oversight and management of foreign military sales and security cooperation initiatives supporting U.S. diplomatic relations with the government of Iraq. His leadership tenure in the USAF also includes serving as Chief Operations Officer with overall operations, training and readiness responsibility for 20,000 personnel, as well as Executive Staff Director and Joint Duty Officer to European Command and U.S. Transportation Command Commanders with responsibility for theater-wide and global logistics operations.

"William is an accomplished and highly respected military leader with extensive expertise in information technology, cybersecurity, and government services," said Gerry Fasano, Leidos Executive Vice President and Chief of Business Development and Strategy. "His deep knowledge of strategic customers will allow us to grow our enduring relationships and improve our ability to understand and serve their core missions."

General Bender was commissioned in 1983 after earning a Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Engineering from Manhattan College. He also holds a Master of Arts National Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College, a Master of Business Administration in Business and Aviation Management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and numerous certificates from the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

About Leidos

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