



**LTG Francis H. (Frank) Kearney III, USA Retired**

Lieutenant General Frank Kearney retired on 1 January 2012 from the United States Army after 35 ½ years of service. His final active duty assignment was Deputy Director for Strategic Operational Planning at the National Counter-Terrorism Center in Washington DC. General Kearney now serves as the President of his own consulting company, Inside-Solutions-LLC focusing on leader development in organizations. He works routinely with the Thayer Leader Development Group at the Thayer Hotel at West Point, NY and with military and corporate groups to assist in improving organizational performance through leader development. General Kearney serves as the Chairman of the Advisory Board for Team Red, White and Blue, a non-profit which helps reintegrate wounded warriors particularly those with traumatic brain injuries (TBI) and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) as well as on the advisory boards of a number of companies. General Kearney also serves as a member of the Threat Reduction Advisory Committee (TRAC) to the Secretary of Defense.

General Kearney is a 1976 graduate (BS) of the United States Military Academy and a 1985 graduate (MEd) of the University of South Carolina. He has served in operational and command assignments at every level with combat tours in Grenada, Panama, Bosnia, Iraq and Afghanistan. General Kearney's most recent assignments at the strategic and operational level focused on Special Operations and Counter-Terrorism. He planned and participated in the opening campaigns of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq and commanded all Theater Special Operations forces in the middle-east including OIF and OEF from March 2005 to June 2007. General Kearney also served as the Deputy Combatant Commander for United States Special Operations Command from 2007-2010 and insured that the 62,000 operators of this command were properly trained and equipped for their global special operation's missions. General Kearney oversaw the SOCOM requirements process, the execution of a 9 billion dollar budget and led the SOCOM Quadrennial Defense Review team for the 2010 QDR. Finally, General Kearney worked with 16-29 different cabinet level agencies in the US government to plan and coordinate the whole of government efforts to achieve the goals of the Obama Administration's Counter-Terrorism strategy. His team coordinated key implementation plans against terrorist groups and assessed the efforts to achieve stated goals as well as provided input to the Office of Management and Budget on funding priorities for the national counter-terrorism budget.

LTG Kearney's family includes his wife of 36 years, Betty Sue, their son Major Dan Kearney, his wife Lauren and sons Danny (5) and Jack (2). Sean Kearney, a CPA with Price-Waterhouse-Coopers, resides in Charlotte, NC.