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In order to further improve the lines of communication and to respond to the concerns between the National VA Council and you our members, I have established a National VA Council Briefing. This NVAC Briefing will bring you the latest news and developments within DVA and provide you with the current status of issues this Council is currently addressing. I believe that this NVAC Briefing will greatly enhance the way in which we communicate and the way in which we share new information, keeping you better informed.

Alma L. Lee
National VA Council, President

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**In This Briefing: Secretary Announcement - Executive and Senior Professional Appointments**

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Office of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs



The Secretary of Veterans Affairs announces the following Executive appointments:

Mr. Dominic Cussatt, selected for the Senior Executive Service position of Executive Director, Enterprise Cybersecurity Strategy, Office of Information and Technology (OI&T), Washington, DC. Mr. Cussatt currently serves as the Director, Cybersecurity Strategy and Policy, Department of Defense, Arlington, VA.

Ms. Gina Farrisee, selected for the Senior Executive Service position of Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC. Ms. Farrisee previously served as the Assistant Secretary, Office of Human Resources and Administration (HR&A), Washington, DC.

Mr. Michael Fisher, selected for the Senior Executive Service position of Chief Readjustment Counseling Service Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Health,

Veterans Health Administration – Central Office (VHA-CO), Washington, DC. Mr. Fisher currently serves as the Readjustment Counseling Services Director, VHA-CO, Washington, DC.

Ms. Gail L. Graham, selected for the Senior Executive Service position of Health System Administrator (Medical Center Director), VA Central Iowa Health Care System (VACIHCS), Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Des Moines, IA. Ms. Graham currently serves as Acting Director, El Paso VA Health Care System, VHA, El Paso, TX.

Mr. William Streitberger, selected for the Senior Executive Service position of Director, VA Regional Office, Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Portland, OR. Mr. Streitberger currently serves as the Director, VA Regional Office, VBA, Hartford, CT.

Dr. James D. Wells, selected for the Title 38 position of Chief Medical Officer, VA Desert Pacific Healthcare Network, Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Long Beach, CA. Dr. Wells currently serves as Chief, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Service/Polytrauma (PM&R), South Texas Veterans Health Care System, VHA, San Antonio, TX.