



# 2018 ACA Election Ballot

Your full name: \_\_\_\_\_  
ACA membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Dear ACA Member,

For your vote to count, you must provide your full name. (If you don't know your membership number, please complete the ballot anyway. We will contact you if we have any questions.) Every ballot is verified for eligibility based on your membership information.

This ballot must be received either by the US Postal Service at the ACA office or emailed to member@aircommando.org by December 3, 2018. Those who do not submit their ballot may still cast their vote in person at the Business Meeting on December 7, 2018 during ACA Convention. Proxy votes are no longer accepted.

**Return this completed ballot by email to member@aircommando.org**

### CANDIDATE(S) FOR PRESIDENT:

**Wayne Norrad:** CMSgt (Ret) Wayne Norrad is currently serving as Vice-President and is a candidate for President.

or Write in your vote : \_\_\_\_\_

### CANDIDATE(S) FOR VICE PRESIDENT

**Bill Turner:** CMSgt (Ret) Bill Turner is currently serving as a Director and is a candidate for Vice President.

or Write in your vote : \_\_\_\_\_

### CANDIDATE(S) FOR TREASURER

**Jim Connors:** Col (Ret) Jim Connors is currently serving as Treasurer and is a candidate for re-election.

or Write in your vote : \_\_\_\_\_

## DIRECTORS (Vote for two [2])

\* Denotes "out of local area" candidate. Note: One "out of local area" candidate may now serve in a Director's position.

\* **Col (Ret) John Alvarez:** I served in the Navy and USAF as a pilot and CAA. Over half of my career was with SOF. After retirement I served at USSOCOM/JSOU as a senior fellow. I am active in ACA, RHS (a 9/11 remembrance org in St Pete), SOWF, Wounded Warrior Foundation. I also served on the Air Commando HOF committee this year.

**CMSgt (Ret) Heather Bueter:** I was appointed to a vacated Director's position and am a candidate for Director. I am a career maintainer and spent 23 years serving in AFSOC. I'm still serving the Warfighter in my position at USSOCOM Detachment 1 on the AC-130J/W Test Programs. I've always had a great passion to serve our Airmen, and would very much like the opportunity to assist ACA fulfill those needs.

**Col (Ret) Steve Connelly:** I was a helo pilot (H-53) started out my AF career as a rescue copilot and had 2 tours at the 1550th school house. I commanded a squadron, ACCE, a group, and served in the pentagon as well at HQ AFSOC. I have been active in AFA, ACA, VFW, SOWF, church, & Bless the Children. I have served on the Air Commando HOF committee for the last few years.

**Col (Ret) Michael Edwards:** I retired 1 Aug 2017 with 21.5 years of service. I commanded the 1 SOSS, served as Lt Gen Heithold's exec and I now work for a defense contractor continuing to support AFSOC and its mission. I feel we need to actively recruit recent retirees and bring in more young members to the ACA to ensure this organization can continue its mission for many years to come.

\* **Lt Col (Ret) Kevin Hinkle:** My Air Force career has spanned 30 years, serving in both Active Duty and Guard, with 24 years in AFSOC providing medical support to Air Commandos and Joint Forces. I am committed to use my knowledge, skills and experience to promote and assist this great organization; be an advocate for our fellow Air Commandos and promote our mission for years to come.

**Lt Col (Ret) Emil 'Max' Friedauer:** I started my 27-year AF career as a C-130 navigator and transitioned to the MC-130E Combat Talon. After a tour at JSOC, Pope AFB, and 23 AF as Chief of Plans at Scott AFB, I retired from HQ AFSOC as Chief of Current Ops. I have been active in AFA, ACA, AT/A, SOWF, 7 ACS, SGI, and CTMF.

**CMSgt (Ret) Michael Klausutis:** Current AF Reservist with over 30 years of service presently assigned to MacDill AFB FL as Command Chief of the 927th Air Refueling Wing. My civilian job is with the 96th Test Wing. My background would serve the ACA well in strengthening relationships with the Guard and Reserve SOF communities.

**Lt Col (Ret) William Phillips:** I think I would bring an unusual and valuable skill set to ACA - 23 years experience as an AF JAG with HQ service at a Combatant Command, two MAJCOMs, a joint job in Turkey, and assignments in England and Japan. My legal specialties were Military Operations Law and International Law. I'd be honored to receive your vote to be an ACA Director.

**CMSgt (Ret) Richard Russell:** I was a loadmaster and served in SEA flying TAC and MAC airlift. I was the 6th AFRC Command Chief, one of the 42 AF MAJCOM Command Chiefs and served 2 AFRC Commanders. I was one of the Seven Service Component CCM's that reported to the SecDef and the SecAF for Reserve affairs. I am a life member of ACA, AFA, VFW, and the American Legion. I would be pleased to serve on the ACA Board of Directors.

\* **TSgt (Ret) James Westfall:** I am a former enlisted airman grade E-5 served for 9 years with the WVANG as an airborne radio operator. Attached to the 1st Air Commando Wing at Hurlburt. I feel I can bring the perspective of enlisted aircrew to the overall mission. While the Air Guard is used interchangeably with active duty, in our time, we were exploring how/where the ANG fit.

OR Write in your vote(s) #1 \_\_\_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_\_\_