

**LIEUTENANT GENERAL (RET.)
WILLIAM “DAVE” BEYDLER**

**FORMER COMMANDER OF U.S. MARINE
CORPS FORCES
U.S. CENTRAL COMMAND**



Lieutenant General “Dave” Beydler served over 37 years in the United States Marine Corps, culminating as Commander of U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Central Command from 2015 to 2018. Prior to that assignment, he commanded II Marine Expeditionary Force, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Africa, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, and the Joint Enabling Capabilities Command. All told, he was selected for seven command assignments, five as a General Officer. His previous senior staff assignments included Director of Strategy, Plans, and Policy at U.S. Central Command; Director of the Strategy and Plans Division at Headquarters Marine Corps; and Senior Marine Liaison Officer at the U.S. Central Command Combined Air Operations Center in Qatar. A career naval aviator with approximately 4,000 flight hours, including over 3,000 in the F/A-18, Lieutenant General Beydler also held commands at every operational level from Fighter Attack squadron to Marine Expeditionary Force. Following his military retirement, he served as Vice President for Maritime Dominance at Raytheon Intelligence and Space and continues to provide consulting expertise across defense and technology sectors including as a member of Academy Securities’ Geopolitical Intelligence Group.

General Beydler holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering from the United States Naval Academy. His military service has been recognized with several personal decorations, including the Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, Air Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal.