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FROM: J. Marc Burgess, National Adjutant

SUBJECT: Staff Appointment

DATE: October 27, 2022

With the concurrence of National Commander Joseph Parsetich, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Assistant National Service Director Jon Retzer as Assistant National Legislative Director at DAV National Service and Legislative Headquarters in Washington, D.C., effective October 31, 2022.

In this capacity, he will support DAV's advocacy efforts regarding benefits provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and work to advance legislation and policies critical to disabled veterans and their families.

A native of Fridley, Minnesota, Retzer served in the U.S. Army infantry from 1991 to 1995 and continued his service with the Army National Guard until his medical separation in 1999.

Retzer's DAV career began in 2003 as a national service officer apprentice in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was first promoted to assistant supervisor of the Fort Snelling National Service Office and then to supervisor. In 2017, he was appointed to assistant national service director, where he served until his current appointment.

He is a life member of Chapter 39 in Anoka, Minnesota. He and his wife, Jan, reside in Crofton, Maryland, with their two sons, Cody and Parker.

After nearly two decades of dedicated service to veterans, Jon has the proven experience, leadership and expertise to make an immediate positive impact on DAV's legislative efforts. I'm confident that he will continue his proud legacy of service to our nation's disabled veterans and their families.

With sincere appreciation,

J. Marc Burgess National Adjutant

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Attached you will find information in regards to the Washington, D.C. Headquarters Staff Appointment.

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