

CHRISTOPHER DERBAK

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Accomplished public servant with over 20 years of military and civilian leadership experience spanning emergency management, infrastructure planning, aviation operations, intelligence coordination, and public safety. Proven ability to lead during times of crisis, foster interagency collaboration, manage multimillion-dollar programs, and develop policies that serve both national interests and local communities. Deeply committed to the community of Venice and to ensuring a resilient, well-managed, and service-oriented local government.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Emergency Management & Disaster Response
- Aviation Operations & Airport Oversight
- Infrastructure & Engineering Planning
- Homeland Security & Intelligence Coordination
- Community Engagement & Public Safety
- Budget Oversight & Strategic Planning
- Veteran Advocacy & Nonprofit Leadership
- Interagency & Government Liaison Work

PUBLIC SECTOR & COMMUNITY-FOCUSED ROLES

Golden Beach Association – Venice, FL

Board Member, 2024

- Actively collaborated with residents and city officials on stormwater, safety, and infrastructure challenges
- Advocated for and partnered with Venice Police Department on local traffic safety solutions
- Supported stronger coordination between neighborhoods and city departments

Jump for Valor - Veteran Support Nonprofit

Founder

- Lead programs that assist transitioning military members in mental health, housing, and career readiness
- Provide local resources and mentorship to veterans in local and national communities

MILITARY & FEDERAL SERVICE EXPERIENCE

U.S. Air Force & U.S. Coast Guard

Special Operations Officer

Domestic & Overseas Deployments | 20+ Years

- Managed classified emergency response and national security operations, including presidential protection, counterterrorism, hurricane, and earthquake response
- Coordinated national security missions and critical threat responses in coastal and port environments
- Led interagency security teams across high-profile events, including the G-20 Summit, Winter Olympics, and U.S. Nuclear Summit
- Developed tactical response frameworks for deployment in both U.S. and international disaster and combat zones
- Responsible for developing operational doctrine, planning and oversight of the USCG Deployable Operations Group in support of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) antiterrorism and counterterrorism security missions
- Assigned as Deployable Team Lead (DTL) and liaison to the Secret Service, responsible for President of the United States (POTUS) security detail; oversaw 16 deployable teams responsible for the littoral security of POTUS
- Acted as primary liaison to the U.S. Secret Service, FBI, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, and international military partners, fostering seamless interagency coordination and mission success

Office of National Intelligence

Intelligence Analyst

- Produced high-level threat assessments and briefings for flag officers and senior federal leadership
- Conducted daily coordination with federal, state, and international law enforcement and intelligence agencies

U.S. Coast Guard

Antiterrorism & Emergency Response Roles

Boston, MA & Guantanamo Bay

- Commanded personnel for rapid deployment in maritime security, emergency response, and port operations
- Coordinated national security missions and critical threat responses in coastal and port environments
- Developed and led counterterrorism training for law enforcement and first responder units

CIVILIAN & PRIVATE SECTOR LEADERSHIP

Northrop Grumman Corporation

Field Engineer

- Directed operations, logistics, and engineering support in conflict zones, managing \$40M+ in defense assets
- Oversaw radar and electronic warfare system integration for rotary and fixed-wing aircraft
- Led multinational site operations, supervising 26 personnel across Africa and the Middle East

Commercial Pilot & Aviation Operations Manager

Various Roles – PA-31, Cessna C208, CE-500

- Directed flight operations across Part 91 and 135 aviation sectors, including skydiving and medical transport
- Managed flight crews, maintenance programs, and FAA compliance for daily and emergency missions
- Experience managing aircraft based at public-use airports, including in regulated Special Flight Rules Areas (SFRA)

CERTIFICATIONS & TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS

- FAA Commercial Pilot – Multi-Engine
- CE-500 Type Rating
- FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Certificate (UAS)
- FCC Radio Telephone Operator Permit
- Incident Command System (ICS) – Advanced

EDUCATION

- **B.S., Aerospace Engineering** – Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
- **A.A.S., Design & Drafting** – ITT Technical Institute