



BIOGRAPHY

Col. John R. Longley Jr.

Col. John R. Longley Jr. serves as a member-at-large of the CAP Board of Governors.

As CAP's top governing body, the 11-member board consists of four U.S. Air Force appointees, three members appointed jointly by the secretary of the Air Force and CAP's national commander/CEO, and four members-at-large selected by CAP's Senior Advisory Group. The board moves CAP forward through collective decision-making to generate strategic policies, plans, and programs designed to guide it both today and tomorrow. It is assisted by CAP's national commander/CEO, the organization's chief operating officer and the CAP-U.S. Air Force (CAP-USAF) commander, who act as advisers.



Longley joined the board in February 2021. A 23-year member of CAP, he served as commander of the Oregon Wing from October 2012- September 2016. Before that he was the Pacific Region's chief of staff (2011-2012) and the region's inspector general (2011- 2012). He previously was vice commander of the California Wing (2007-2010) and before that served as commander at the group and squadron levels.

He served on the Membership Action Review Panel beginning in 2018 and as an assistant instructor for Volunteer University, teaching virtual Level 5 and Incident Commander 3. He is now recruitment and retention director for the region and also works on Felix Keynote intercepts for the Oregon Wing.

Longley holds Master ratings for Command, Emergency Services, and Cadet Programs and received the Distinguished Service Award in 2012 for his service as wing commander. He was named California Wing and Pacific Region Senior Member of the Year in 2010. He served two tours beginning in 2011 and 2016 as a member of the national Civil Air Patrol Promotion and Awards Board (Team).

He is also a pilot with about 1,100 hours of flying time and owns a Piper Warrior. In addition to his pilot certificate, he has a commercial unmanned air system permit.

Longley served in the U.S. Air Force from November 1969-May 1973, rising to the rank of staff sergeant and filling various leadership, management, and supervisory positions. He was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal while in Vietnam with the Military Assistance Command.

Longley spent a 32-year career as city manager of the California municipalities of Porterville, Marina, and Avalon. He worked for six more years as Porterville Airport Area Manager and as director of Crater Lake-Klamath Regional Airport in Oregon.

He is an Oregon principal real estate broker and is a member of the Klamath County Real Estate Board, serving as chair of the board's Governmental Affairs Committee.

A resident of Keno, Oregon, he is married to retired CAP Lt. Col. Theresa Longley, his wife of 48 years. They have three children and 13 grandchildren.

