



BIOGRAPHY

Colonel Dale E. Newell, CAP

Colonel Dale E. Newell currently serves as a member of the Civil Air Patrol Board of Governors. As CAP's top governing body, the 11-member BoG consists of four U.S. Air Force appointees, three members appointed jointly by the Secretary of the Air Force and CAP's national commander, and four members-at-large selected by CAP's Senior Advisory Group. The BoG 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 and Chief Executive Officer, the organization's Chief Operating Officer and the CAP-U.S. Air Force Commander, who act as advisers.



Prior to this appointment as a CAP Member-at-Large, Colonel Newell served the organization as the commander of the Oklahoma Wing. He is a graduate of the CAP Inspector General College and was previously assigned as the Assistant Inspector General for Investigations at CAP National Headquarters, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. His primary duties included conducting complaint investigations as assigned by the CAP Inspector General, and performing Wing inspections throughout CAP as a member of the Compliance Inspection teams. He has served on the IG College staff for the past three years.

He initially joined CAP following his retirement from the Army National Guard in June 1992. His CAP background includes service in various staff assignments in Washington Wing and CAP Pacific Region, including serving as the Washington Wing Commander. He has held numerous emergency services qualifications and has participated in search and rescue, counterdrug and homeland security missions. He is a CAP Command Pilot and holds master ratings in the Emergency Services, Inspector General, and Command specialty tracks.

Colonel Newell began his military service as an enlisted member of the Illinois Army National Guard. He was commissioned through Officer Candidate School, rising to the rank of Colonel at the time of his retirement. He enjoyed a long career in combat arms including a tour as an infantry officer in Vietnam during 1967-68, numerous company command assignments, and principal staff assignments in intelligence, operations, and logistics at the battalion and brigade level.

He also commanded a marine transportation battalion in the Washington Army National Guard. His final assignment prior to retiring was on the staff of the Adjutant General where he was responsible for military support to civil authorities. His military decorations include the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, and the Army Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters.

Colonel Newell retired from a career in commercial insurance that included insurance company management and executive positions, and as a partner with a large regional commercial broker where he focused on providing insurance and risk management services for large commercial clients in the construction, manufacturing, health care, and retailing sectors.

He and his wife, Donna, reside in Ardmore, Oklahoma. They have two adult children and six grandchildren.

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