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Colonel "Ned" Lee is the National Cadet Programs Manager, the senior ranking volunteer on the National Cadet Team. Col Lee provides leadership on strategic-level initiatives, senior leader advocacy, and doctrine development for the congressionally-mandated Cadet Program that serves 25,000 youth in 1,000 locations nationwide. Col Lee is himself a proud alum and Spaatz Award recipient.

A longtime Cadet Programs Officer, Col Lee has served as Director of Cadet Programs for California Wing, DCS/Cadet Programs for Pacific Region, and as faculty at Cadet Officer School and the Civic Leadership Academy. Additionally, he has represented the United States on special International Air Cadet Exchange missions to Ghana, China, and Canada.

As vice chairman of the CAP Board of Governors, Col Lee was a leader in the evidence-based redesign of the CAP governance structure as well as the creation and implementation of the Cadet Protection Program.

Outside of CAP, Col Lee presides as a judge for the Superior Court of California, in the County of Santa Clara. As an internationally-recognized expert on judicial ethics, Col Lee has been asked by the U.S. State Department to train judges in the newly-formed judiciary of Montenegro. He is also a retired Army officer with multiple deployments to Ukraine, Japan, and Panama to train their international peacekeeping forces.