Ron Jolly Joins IDA as Vice President, Corporate Operations

ALEXANDRIA, VA (March 2025) — Ron Jolly joined the IDA team on March 8, 2025, as the Vice President, Corporate Operations.

"I am delighted to welcome Ron to IDA's leadership team and to have him lead our corporate operations efforts," said IDA President Norty Schwartz.

In his new role, Ron will ensure the daily operations of IDA, partnering with corporate leadership to understand their goals and managing the directorates responsible for providing the resources staffers need to mee their objectives.

Prior to joining IDA, Ron served on the board of advisors for ThroughPut, Inc. Before that, he was the director of Mission Assurance at Northrop Grumman Aeronautics Systems. Ron was the primary liaison to the Defense Contract Management Agency and led the preparation for the critical Air Operations Inspection, which resulted in no major findings and ensured continuity of operations for the manufacture of the first-ever B-21 bomber 6th generation strategic weapons system.

Ron served in the U.S. Air Force where he held several leadership positions, including Director of Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection for U.S. Forces in Europe-Air Forces Africa. He retired as a brigadier general after more than 30 years of service.

Ron holds a master's degree in management from Troy State University, a master's degree in military operational art and science from the Air Command and Staff College, a master's degree in national security strategy from the National War College, and a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering and management from Oklahoma State University.

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