



LEADER TRANSITION INSTITUTE

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Bel Air, MD – The Leader Transition Institute Inc., Maryland’s premier provider of services for transitioning military personnel, veterans, and military spouses is excited to announce the appointment of three new Board Members.

“I am thrilled to announce that the Leader Transition Institute’s Board of Directors has appointed Jenni Dobbs, PhD, Alysha Richey, and Matthew P. Wee to join us.” said Annie Brock, President and CEO of the Leader Transition Institute.

Ms. Jennifer C. Fajardo-Dobbs, PhD, is an educator, learning and development professional, military spouse advocate, and lifelong learner. She is an adjunct lecturer at the Faculty of Information and Communication Studies, University of the Philippines – Open University (UPOU).

Dr. Dobbs has over 15 years of experience spanning higher education, instructional design models and frameworks, and classroom management in traditional, hybrid, and online modes. As a military spouse, Dr. Dobbs has been immersed in research, education, and training endeavors to support resilience and mental health initiatives. She was recognized as the 2024 Armed Forces Insurance Military Spouse of the Year (Minot Air Force Base) and was one of the Air Force branch finalists. She co-founded the Foreign-Born Military Spouse Network and is Co-Lead for the MacDill AFB/Tampa Chapter of the Military Spouse Professional Network and Marketing Mentor of #ICanHelp x Digital4Good, an organization empowering teens and young adults to become better digital citizens. Ms. Dobbs lives in St. Petersburg, FL.

Ms. Alysha Richey, Founder and Senior Project Director of Richey LLC, has over a decade of expertise in managing large-scale initiatives. Having supported numerous veteran friends and family members, including her husband, through their transitions to civilian life, Ms. Richey is passionate about serving the veteran community. She combines her deep commitment to helping others with her strong project management skills, having successfully led initiatives that drive operational efficiency and business growth.

Outside of her professional work, Ms. Richey is a dedicated advocate for her community and family, especially her three sons. As a head track coach, she fosters leadership, discipline, and a team mentality in young athletes. Ms. Richey’s dedication to creating a

better world drives her to support initiatives that promote personal growth, community wellness, and meaningful change. Ms. Richey lives in Glencoe, MN.

Mr. Matthew P. Wee is a Foreign Affairs Officer at the US Department of State. Prior to joining the Civil Service, Mr. Wee served for 20 years in the United States Marine Corps where he held various roles in personnel administration, training and operations, and as a Foreign Area Staff Non-Commissioned Officer. Prior to his military retirement, Mr. Wee was a HillVets Defense and Veterans Fellow.

Subsequent to his military retirement, Mr. Wee supported the Ted Stevens Center for Arctic Security Studies as a Senior Event Program Planner from Human Domain Solutions. He is a dedicated member of the Capital One Arena Usher team committed to ensuring the safety, comfort, and enjoyment of guests attending a wide range of sports events, concerts, and entertainment experiences. Dedicated to serving the military and veteran communities, Mr. Wee serves Vets2Industry as their Director of Events. Mr. Wee lives in Washington, DC.

ABOUT THE LEADER TRANSITION INSTITUTE INC.

Founded in 2018 and headquartered in Bel Air, Maryland, the Leader Transition Institute (LTI) is a global, nonprofit organization preparing and walking beside people who are making pivots in their lives. Concurrently, they help small and large organizations maximize their abilities to communicate and lead.

Their flagship program, Changing Focus: Moving From We to Me is recognized as unique in the world, directly addressing the challenges service members encounter as they adapt from serving in the military to reintegrating, living and working in the civilian community.

LIT is a Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Employment Navigator Partnership Program partner and was recently recognized as a Finalist in the 2024 US Forces in Business Awards (category: Diversity and Equity).

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