

DR. KENNETH D. DUNN COLONEL, U. S. MARINE CORPS (RETIRED)



Civilian Education: B.S. U.S. Naval Academy

M.A. Pepperdine University
M.S. National Defense University
Ed.D Nova Southeastern University

Military Schools: The Basic School

Field Artillery Officer Basic Course Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course Marine Corps Command and Staff College

National War College

Kenneth D. Dunn is a native of Louisville, Kentucky. Upon his graduation from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1974, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant and served in the U. S. Marine Corps for 30 years, retiring in July 2004. He served as an artillery officer and commanded 5th Battalion, 10th Marines, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, 1993-95, and Weapons Training Battalion, Quantico, Virginia, 1998-2000. From 2001-2003, he served as the Chief of Staff, Marine Corps Base Camp Butler, Okinawa, Japan. In retirement, Dr. Dunn has worked as a contractor and as a federal government civilian at Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps. He now serves in the Manpower Information Systems Division, Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

Dr. Dunn earned two masters degrees: one in Human Resources Management from Pepperdine University (1978), the other in National Security Strategy from the National Defense University (1996), as well as a Doctor of Education degree from Nova Southeastern University (2008). He is a graduate of the Marine Corps Command and Staff College (1987) and the National War College (1996). Dr. Dunn also served as an instructor at Amphibious Warfare School (1984-86) and as Professor of Military Strategy and Land Combat Systems, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, National Defense University (1996-1998).

Dr. Dunn's present position is the Director, Marine Corps Leadership Seminar which is an outreach effort to showcase Marine Corps Leadership to select, diverse colleges and universities in the United States. Leadership seminars have been conducted in Atlanta, St. Louis, Orlando,



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Philadelphia and Cleveland these past two years. In 2012, Dr. Dunn began working as an Adjunct Professor, College of Distance Education and Training, Marine Corps University, teaching Command and Staff College students.

Dr. Dunn is a life member of the U. S. Naval Academy Alumni Association, the Marine Corps Association, the National Naval Officers Association and the Montford Point Marine Association.

Dr. Dunn is married to the former Connie Brandford of Annapolis, Maryland. They have three children and two grandchildren, all of whom live in Northern Virginia.

Dr. Dunn enjoys reading, writing, American history, sports, coaching and family-related activities. He published an article, "Predeployment Training Lessons," in the January, 2006 edition of the Marine Corps *Gazette* and most recently, "Marine Corps Total Force System: The Gold Standard" in the June 2010 edition. Dr. Dunn has given lectures on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Montford Point Marines.

Dr. Dunn was inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame, Boys and Girls Clubs of America in May 2011

Experience Keywords:

National security strategy, military leadership, military history, fire support, field artillery, AFATDS, command and control, joint operations, Montford Point Marines.