



General Peter Pace retired from active duty on October 1, 2007, after more than 40 years of service in the United States Marine Corps.

Pace was sworn in as 16th chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on September 30, 2005. In this capacity, he served as the principal military advisor to the President, the Secretary of Defense, the National Security Council and the Homeland Security Council. Prior to becoming chairman, he served as vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Pace holds the distinction of being the first Marine to have served in either of these positions.

Born in Brooklyn and raised in Teaneck, NJ, Pace was commissioned in June 1967, following graduation from the United States Naval Academy. He holds a master's degree in Business Administration from George Washington University, attended the Harvard University Senior Executives in National and International Security program, and graduated from the National War College.

During his distinguished career, Pace held command at virtually every level, beginning as a Rifle Platoon Leader in Vietnam. He also served in Europe, Japan, Thailand, South Korea and Somalia.

In June, 2008, Pace was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian honor a President can bestow.

He is currently serving on the board of directors of several corporate entities involved in management consulting, private equity and IT security. He is a member of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) Senior Advisory Group, and has served on the President's Intelligence Advisory Board and on the Secretary of Defense's Defense Policy Board. Pace served as leader-in-residence and the Poling Chair of Business and Government for the Kelley School of Business, Indiana Univer...

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