



Commission on the National Defense Strategy for the United States



General John M. "Jack" Keane, USA, Retired, was appointed to the Commission by Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman John McCain (R-AZ)

GEN Keane currently serves as President GSI, LLC; senior advisor to Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts and Co.; and advisor to Chairman and CEO, URS Corporation. GEN Keane served 37 years in the Army, rising to the rank of four-star general. Most recently, he held the position of the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army. During his four years in this job as chief operating officer of the United States Army, he managed operations of more than 1.5 million soldiers and civilians in over 120 countries and an annual budget in excess of \$110 billion dollars. Throughout his tenure in this position the Army has fought and won wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, while supporting numerous worldwide peace operation, maintaining readiness, and transforming to a faster, more deployable force.

As the Vice Chief of Staff, GEN Keane developed and maintained strong relationships, on behalf of the Army, with Congress, the media, opinion leaders, national security policy makers, and the American people. In doing so, he delivered over 400 speeches in four years, communicating critical Department of Defense and Army messages. He testified before Congress on 18 separate occasions on subjects as diverse as the war in Iraq, Military Health Care, the Budget, Environmental Law, Army Readiness and Army transformation.

GEN Keane was a career paratrooper who commanded at every level to include the 18th Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, NC; the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Fort Campbell, KY; and the Joint Readiness Training Center. He also served as the Deputy Commander-in-Chief of the United States Atlantic Command prior to becoming the Army's Vice Chief of Staff, and was featured in Tom Clancy's book, AIRBORNE. GEN Keane is a combat veteran having served as a platoon leader and company commander in Viet Nam. His units deployed to Somalia, Haiti, Bosnia and Kosovo.

GEN Keane graduated from Fordham University business school in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting and holds a Masters of Arts Degree in Philosophy from Western Kentucky University. His military education includes the Infantry Officers Basic and Advanced Courses, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the United States Army War College. GEN Keane is the recipient of an honorary PH.D in Law from Fordham University and an honorary PH.D in Public Service from Eastern Kentucky University.

Since his retirement from the Army, GEN Keane is currently President GSI, LLC, is senior advisor to Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts and Co. and advisor to Chairman and CEO, URS Corporation. He is a director of METLIFE, Inc and General Dynamics Corporation. GEN Keane serves as a member of the Department of Defense Policy Board. He is also a military contributor and analyst for ABC News.

GEN Keane is married to the former Theresa W. Doyle. They have two adult children, Matthew and Daniel.