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Mike McConnell is Senior Vice President and leader of the National Security Business for the leading consulting firm, Booz Allen Hamilton, and he is a member of the firm's Leadership Team. Mr. McConnell was chosen by President Obama to serve on the President's Intelligence Advisory Board to continue his service to the U.S. Government in the areas of national security and international issues following his service from 2007-2009 as U.S. Director of National Intelligence (DNI), a position of Cabinet rank under Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama. As DNI, Mr. McConnell served as the principal intelligence advisor to the President and as a member of the U.S. National Security Council.

Mr. McConnell's career has spanned over 40 years focusing on international developments and foreign intelligence issues, first as a career intelligence officer in the U.S. Navy, as the Senior Intelligence Officer on the Joint Chiefs of Staff, as Director of the National Security Agency, and later as Senior Vice President with Booz Allen Hamilton after retiring from the U.S. Navy as Vice Admiral after 29 years of service. Over the past few years, Mr. McConnell's area of focus has been counter-terrorism, cyber security, counter-proliferation, and foreign intelligence. While managing the U.S. Intelligence Community, a organization of 100,000 people, he had responsibility for a global enterprise and budget of over \$47B. In this capacity, Mr. McConnell had extensive interactions with the White House, the President's Cabinet, the Congress, International Leaders, and the U.S. Business Community.

Serving first under President George H. W. Bush and later President Clinton, Mr. McConnell served as Director of the National Security Agency (NSA) from 1992-1996. He led NSA as it adapted to the multi-polar threats brought about by the end of the Cold War. Under his leadership, NSA routinely provided global Intelligence and Information Security Services to the White House, Cabinet officials and the Congress in addition to a broad array of military and civil intelligence customers. He also served as a member of the senior leadership team of the Director of Central Intelligence to address major programmatic and substantive foreign intelligence issues from 1992 until 1996.

Prior to his service at NSA and during Desert Shield/Storm and the dissolution of the Soviet Union, Mr. McConnell served as the Intelligence Officer for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell and the Secretary of Defense, Dick Cheney.

Mr. McConnell holds an M.P.A. degree from George Washington University, is a graduate of the National Defense University (Global Telecom) and the National Defense Intelligence College (Strategic Intelligence), and holds a B.A. in Economics from Furman University. In addition to being a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Mr. McConnell also has been awarded three Honorary Doctorate degrees, the most recent from The George Washington University in 2008. In addition to many of the nation's highest military awards for meritorious service, Mr. McConnell has been twice awarded the nation's highest award for service in the Intelligence Community; once by President Clinton and once by President George W. Bush. He also served as the Chairman and CEO of the Intelligence and National Security Alliance (INSA).

Mr. McConnell was born on July 26, 1943 in Greenville, South Carolina where he lived, grew up and first attended college. He is married to Terry McConnell and together they have four children and seven grandchildren.