

## John F. Phillips



**J**ohn Phillips is the Senior Advisor of **Northeast Construction, Inc.** He was the former Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics). He recently left Home Depot as Vice President of the Government Solutions Group, which he formed. The organization propelled Home Depot into the federal business, growing to over \$100M in the first 12 months of operations. He is now president of Phillips Defense Consultants. His organization boasts of subject matter experts across the range of Defense operations from IT, supply chain management, and acquisition, to Network Centric Warfare.

John brings more than 30 years of comprehensive acquisition, aviation, IT, logistics and leadership experience to the organization. He served as Vice President of Government Services for Honeywell, where he has held several positions of increasing importance since 1997. Prior to joining Honeywell, John served as the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics), overseeing an organization of 850,000 military and civilian personnel with a budget of \$114B where he established an outsourcing and privatization program for the federal government. He led the 1994 Quadrennial Defense Review. The recipient of over 250 awards and decorations, John was honored with Vice President Al Gore's Hammer Award in 1999.

John served for more than 27 years in the United States Air Force, retiring with the rank of Major General. His last assignment was Commander, McClellan AFB, California. The military depot was responsible for aircraft, satellites and microelectronic technology. John earned the highest Department of Defense certifications (level III) in Program Management, Acquisitions Logistics, and Computer Systems Development (DOD Black Belt equivalent). He is a fighter pilot with over 3,000 flying hours, 300 hours in combat. He earned wings as a navigator and pilot and was awarded German pilot wings. He has flown the F-15, F-111, T-38, KC-135 and T-37 aircraft.

John holds a B.S. degree in biology and chemistry from Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas, and a Masters of Science degree in Logistics Management from the Air Force Institute of Technology. He was awarded the Degree (Honorary) Doctor of Laws, from Jarvis Christian College. In addition, he is a graduate of the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University; the National War College; Defense Systems Management College; Industrial College of the Armed Forces; and the University of Southern California, School for Safety Engineering. He is an internationally known speaker and consultant on National Defense.

Active in civic and professional affairs, John is currently a member of the Army Science Board; International Society of Logistics Engineers, Board of Directors; Association for Enterprise Integration; Maintenance Repair & Overhaul Conference; Board of Visitors, Defense Acquisition University; Shades of Blue (Aviation Mentoring), Americorps National Civilian Community Corps, and is a former chairman of the Board of Advisors of the Tuskegee Airman, Inc and formerly served on the Board of Boys and Girls Club of America. His other accomplishments include authoring the book, "Navigating the Pentagon" and co-authoring the book, "Military Project Management," as well as numerous articles and lectures on leadership and management. John is a current member of the Air Force Association, US Chamber of Commerce, US China Policy Foundation, The Corporate Council of Africa, The Navy League and the Association of U.S. Army. He is the 2010 recipient of the DOD Acquisition Excellence Acker Award. He and his wife Blanche have three daughters, one son and four grandchildren.