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Daniel C. (Danny) Devine is currently the Acting Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Legislative Affairs (OCLA) at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). In addition to serving as Acting Assistant Secretary, Mr. Devine is also Deputy Assistant Secretary in OCLA. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Devine was Director, Office of the Deputy Secretary and the Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for OCLA.

In OCLA, Mr. Devine helps manage and create Department-wide policies, plans, and operations related to all congressional and legislative matters affecting the Department of Veterans Affairs. He also assists in assessing attitudes and environment on Capitol Hill related to veterans' issues.

Mr. Devine began his VA career in January 2002, when he was appointed as Special Assistant in OCLA. He then served as Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public and Intergovernmental Affairs before moving over as the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. He previously served as the Senior Advisor to former Secretary Peake, Deputy Secretary Gordon Mansfield and Senior Advisor to Acting Secretary Mansfield, as well as Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional Affairs before being appointed to his current positions.

Prior to joining VA, Mr. Devine was the Communications Director for the Washington, D.C.-based non-partisan Employee Benefit Research Institute and served in the U.S. Department of State in Vienna, Austria. In the early 1990s, he served nearly five years as the National Programs Director of AMVETS. In 1995, Devine joined the Majority Staff of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs as the Professional Staff Member for Benefits and the Committee Communications Director. Focusing on transition benefits for veterans and those on active duty, Mr. Devine helped create the Commission on Servicemembers and Veterans Transition Assistance in 1996.

In 1978, Mr. Devine entered the U.S. Air Force initially as a security policeman. Six years later, he was honorably discharged as a military journalist. Mr. Devine also served four years in the Maryland Army National Guard, teaching public affairs and journalism.

Mr. Devine has a Bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Maryland and attended the Federal Executive Institute from September to October 2007. Mr. Devine served on the Board of Directors of the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans. He is a life member of AMVETS and is the 2008/2009 recipient of the AMVETS Silver Helmet for Rehabilitation.

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