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Alan Westfield served as an Infantry officer for 21 years in command and staff positions for the United States Army in the United States, Europe, and Southwest and Central Asia. He earned a commission into the Officer Corps in 1979 and served with the 197th Infantry Brigade, 1st Armored Division, 3d US Army, the Berlin Brigade, US Army Europe, and US Army Cadet Command. He deployed to Operations Desert Shield/ Desert Storm in 1990/1991, Operation Joint Endeavor in 1996, Operations Iraqi Freedom/ New Dawn in 2010, and Resolute Support in Afghanistan in 2015/6. From 1996-2000, he served as Professor of Military Science at Eastern Washington University. Since retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel from active duty in September 2000, Mr. Westfield has been a Senior Military Science Instructor at Gonzaga and Whitworth Universities responsible for attracting and developing future Army officers for challenges that lie ahead, teaching the Bulldog Battalion's sophomore MS IIs, and coaching the Ranger Challenge team. During that period, 332 Second Lieutenants have been commissioned and the program has distinguished itself by earning the General Douglas MacArthur Award three times. Mr. Westfield grew up in Beverly, Massachusetts and earned a BS from the United States Military Academy, an MSA from Central Michigan University, and a Ph.D. in Leadership Studies from Gonzaga University. He graduated from the US Army Ranger and Airborne Schools, Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Mortar Platoon Course, Northern Warfare Course, Bradley Leader Course, and the Command and General Staff College. He is also a member of Leadership Spokane Planning Committee, the Spokane Area Chamber of Commerce Armed Services Committee, and the Gonzaga University Professional Studies Leadership Graduate Programs Advisory Board. Mr. Westfield has two sons, Jonathan who works for Digitas LBi in San Francisco, CA, and Nikolas who works for Maselan and Jones Law Firm in New York, NY.