

Vice Admiral Herbert A Browne  
USN, retired

Proud of his Texas heritage, but wanting to see the world, VADM Browne enlisted in the Navy in 1964; and see the world he did.

Trained as a Naval Flight Officer, he commanded two attack aircraft squadrons; two ships, including the aircraft carrier, USS John F Kennedy; a Carrier Battle Group; and the U.S. Third Fleet. He deployed to Viet Nam in the 60s; the Mediterranean and the Caribbean in the 70s; the Atlantic and Indian Oceans in the 80s; the Red Sea and Pacific Ocean in the 90s.

Ashore, he commanded Naval Space Command. When he retired in October 2000, he was Deputy US Space Command. His assignments in space were key to his choice of C4I (command and control, communication computers and intelligence) as his profession in the private sector.

After his retirement from the Navy, VADM Browne spent one year at GRCI, an AT&T company.

In October 2001, he was asked to join AFCEA International as President and CEO. During his five and one-half years at the helm of AFCEA, VADM Browne charged the association to provide great service to both government and the information technology (IT) community. The association remains the IT professional's association of choice.

During his tenure, the association membership grew, annual revenue increased 80% and over \$6,000,000.00 in scholarships was awarded to students enrolled in technology curricula.

Since retiring from AFCEA in March 2007, VADM Browne has remained active on C4I advisory boards and panels for the Navy (N-6), Air Force Research Lab (VS), MITRE Corporation, Georgia Tech Research Institute, the National Reconnaissance Office, and the American Small Business Coalition.

He and his wife, Jill, are active horsemen and are members of several horse related associations. They support AFCEA International, the US Navy League, and the Association of Naval Aviation.

While serving in the Navy, Vice Admiral Browne was awarded the American Spirit Honor Medal, The Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal, and the Navy Achievement Medal. For his work with the Intelligence Community, he received the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) Medal of Distinguished Service and the National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA) Medallion for Excellence. In 2004, he was selected to the “The Federal 100” for his support of government/industry partnerships.

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