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Harry is the Director for Development of the Army War College Foundation, Inc. He holds a B.S. degree from the United States Air Force Academy and an M.S. degree in Applied Math from Johns Hopkins University. He is a graduate of the College of Naval Command and Staff and U.S. Army War College resident programs, as well as the Air Command and Staff and Air War College correspondence programs.

Harry completed a 28-year career as a Colonel in 2011. As a helicopter pilot, he had 2300 flight hours in combat rescue, ICBM security and VIP support. His staff assignments included arms control treaty compliance, airlift force structure planning and as a program manager in the classified AF Tactical Exploitation of National Capabilities Program. He also served as the Director of Staff of the Space Warfare Center. He commanded the 459th Airlift Squadron in Japan and his final operational tour was as the Deputy Commander of the 89th Operations Group at Andrews AFB, MD, providing worldwide airlift support for the Vice President, the Cabinet, and Members of Congress.

An educator at heart, Harry served on the faculty of the U.S. Army War College in the Department of National Security and Strategy for the final six years of his Air Force career. In addition to his core teaching duties, he also served as the Director of the National Security Seminar for four years, bringing a diverse group of 160 citizens annually to the War College for an immersive week alongside the student body. Continuing in education after his retirement, Harry taught courses in Politics and in Math at Messiah College and also taught PreCalculus through Calculus II online for Veritas Press Scholars Academy, based in Lancaster, PA.

While still a work in progress, Harry has been vastly improved by his 24-year marriage to his best friend, Dawn. They enjoy living in Boiling Springs, PA and keeping track of their two sons in college. Alan is a junior majoring in Air Traffic Management at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, while Stuart is a freshman majoring in Theater at Cedarville University.