



Maj. Gen. (ret) Charles Williams

Senior Advisor

During distinguished careers in the Federal government and private sector, Chuck continually showed an ability to conclude complex engineering projects successfully.

In 2007, *Vanity Fair* wrote of Chuck Williams, "He is considered to be one of the most effective executives in the State Department today, praised in Congress for the production line efficiency he has brought to embassy construction."

Chuck's exemplary engineering and construction management career includes the U.S. Army, State Department and the private sector. In the Army Corps of Engineers, where he served for 29 years, he was Commanding General of the Corps' North Atlantic Division. This included overseeing an annual design and construction budget of \$2 billion and the \$1.3 billion re-planning and rebuilding of Fort Drum.

Prior to his command, Chuck was stationed in Germany, where he was responsible for managing the Army's European tank range modernization. This was the Army's largest troop construction project since World War II.

After retiring from the Army, Chuck was president and CEO of the New York City School Construction Authority, the nation's largest public school building program. His hands-on approach won plaudits from contractors and improved working relationships with the Authority.

Chuck's private sector experience also includes serving as Chief Operating Officer of the Toll Road Investors Partnership II that designed and built the nation's first private toll road in more than 150 years. Chuck received national recognition for completing this project six months ahead of schedule.

Finally, for seven years Chuck served as Director and Chief Operating Officer for the Department of State's Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations. He was responsible for managing construction, operations, design and engineering for more than 15,000 overseas facilities, including completed construction on 52 embassies and consulates globally.

Chuck began his Corps career as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam, ferrying engineers under enemy fire.

He spent 10 years on the Board of Trustees of his alma mater, Tuskegee University, including 5 years as Chairman of the Board. He also served on the Board of Trustees at Shenandoah University.

Education

BS, Tuskegee Institute

MBA, Atlanta University

Graduate, Army War College

Memberships & honors

Fellow, Society of American
Military Engineers

Golden Eagle Award, Society
of American Military Engineers

Defense Service Medal with
Oak Leaf Cluster

Distinguished Flying Cross

Legion of Merit medal with two
Oak Leaf Clusters

Distinguished Service Medal,
State of Alabama

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