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Admiral Thomas B. Fargo, USN (Ret.), former Commander of the U.S. Pacific Command, serves as Managing Director of J. F. Lehman and Company, a leading middle market private equity firm focused on the defense, aerospace and maritime sectors. Prior to joining J.F. Lehman, he was the President of Trex Enterprises Corporation.

Admiral Fargo joined the private sector after a distinguished career serving the U.S. Navy and the Department of Defense. He was the twentieth officer to hold the position of Commander of the U.S. Pacific Command. As the senior U.S. military commander in East Asia, the Pacific and Indian Ocean areas, he led the largest unified command while directing the joint operations of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force across 100 million miles. He was responsible to the President and the Secretary of Defense, and was the U.S. military representative for collective defense arrangements in the Pacific.

Admiral Fargo also served as the 29th Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet from October 1999 to May 2002. His service as a leader in the Pacific was preceded by his command of the U.S. Fifth Fleet and Naval Forces of the Central Command during two years of Iraqi contingency operations from July 1996 to July 1998. His 35 years of service included six tours in Washington, DC, in addition to five commands in the Pacific, Indian Ocean, and Middle East.

Born in San Diego, CA, he attended high school in Coronado, CA, and Sasebo, Japan. Admiral Fargo graduated from the United States Naval Academy in June 1970. He is a 1989 recipient of the Vice Admiral James Bond Stockdale Award for Inspirational Leadership.

Admiral Fargo serves on the Boards of Directors for Hawaiian Electric Industries, United States Automobile Association and Northrop Grumman Corporation. He is active in the community, serving on the Board of Directors of the Japan-America Society of Hawaii, the Iolani School Board of Governors, and the Hawaii Pacific University Board of Trustees. He is the National Vice Chairman of the Pearl Harbor Memorial Fund.