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As Vice President for Defense Operations, Mike Warlick is responsible for oversight of AFCEA's defense engagement through events, the Defense Committee and AFCEA operations.

Mike served 29 years with distinction as a Marine Corps Officer focused on communications, information technology, and command and control. Mike spent a significant part of his career leading and developing Marines. He commanded the Marine Corps Communication-Electronics School training primarily enlisted Marines in 46 different occupational specialties. As Director, Command and Control Systems School, Marine Corps University, he trained entry and intermediate level officers in all aspects of communications and information technology, to include command and control. His last assignment on active duty was as the Vice President, Marine Corps University.

After retiring from the Marine Corps in 2002, Mike worked for Electronic Data Systems/Hewlett-Packard, leading development and delivery of various aspects of the Navy/Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) for the Marine Corps for seven years. In 2009 he transitioned to Harris Corporation to lead business development efforts for the Marine Corps.

Mike holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Health and Physical Education from East Carolina University and a Master of Arts in Human Resources Management from Pepperdine University. His military education includes Basic Communication Officers Course, Advanced Communication Officers Course, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Air Command and Staff College, and the National War College. He also completed the "Managerial Issues in the Global Enterprise" course from the Thunderbird School of Global Management.

Mike has been a member of AFCEA since 1987 and a life member since December 2001. He has extensive experience at the chapter level and has served twice as President, Quantico-Potomac Chapter. He has been the recipient of the AFCEA Leadership Award and the Chairman's Superior Performance Award. While serving on active duty he was the founder of the Marine Corps General Alfred M. Gray Award, recognizing the Outstanding Company Grade Officer serving in an IT position. Prior to joining AFCEA, he held the position of Client Executive/Business Development Executive with Harris IT Services.