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Since her selection as a Senior Executive in May 2004, Ms. Beall has served as Head, Campaign Analysis Branch in the Assessment Division (N81), in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Integration of Capabilities and Resources). In that capacity, she manages development of the joint campaign analyses key to Navy investment decisions as well as representing Navy at the Flag level in OSD and Joint Staff Support to Strategic Analysis (SSA) deliberations, ensuring that Navy capabilities are accurately characterized in scenarios and studies, including Quadrennial Defense Reviews (QDRs). She also leads the award-winning World Class Modeling initiative, dedicated to improving modeling and simulation supporting decision making across the OPNAV enterprise.

Ms. Beall has over 25 years of government civilian service and 13 years of private sector experience. Prior to becoming a Senior Executive, she served in N81 in various capacities. In 2003, she became Deputy Branch Head for Warfighting Support Analysis, managing analysis for the N81 Investment Strategy and Net Assessment in the areas of manpower and personnel, training and education, infrastructure and readiness. She also supported Sea Enterprise initiatives to improve efficiency and generate savings in Navy operating accounts, including oversight of five Zero Based Reviews (ZBRs). In 2002, Ms. Beall led assessments of the naval strategic planning process and science and technology investment, as well as an analysis-based wargame that examined requirements for Maritime Interdiction Operations in support of the Global War on Terror. Ms. Beall initially joined the N81 team in 1995 as one of the founders of Navy's joint campaign analysis capability and exercised that capability as the basis for Navy investment decisions through numerous POM cycles as well as QDRs 97 and 01.

From 1988 to 1995, Ms. Beall worked for the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command in both analytic and systems engineering disciplines. In 1991, she became Deputy Director of the Space and Electronic Warfare (SEW)/Copernicus Systems Engineering Group, managing architecture development, technology demonstrations in major Navy and Joint exercises and prototyping. Prior to that her accomplishments included development and technical demonstration of a proposed ASW Command, Control, Communication, Computers and Intelligence (C4I) architecture to meet future requirements for multi-source fusion and command decision support, the first implementation of the Copernicus C4I architecture, a forerunner to Network Centric Warfare.

From 1975 to 1988, she was employed by Presearch Incorporated, performing and directing a wide range of analyses for the Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) Systems Project Office (PM-4), Director ASW (OP-951/71) and corporate customers. She evaluated the performance of current and future ASW systems to support development of operational concepts and tactics, system tradeoffs and long-range requirements and planning.

Ms. Beall graduated Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude from West Virginia University in 1974 with a B.A. in Mathematics. She is a graduate of the Defense Systems Management College Program Manager Course and has completed additional graduate-level coursework at Georgetown University in National Security Studies. Ms. Beall was a 2010-2011 Fellow in the MIT Seminar XXI on Foreign Politics, International Relations and the National Interest.

Ms. Beall was awarded the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award in 2001 and the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award in 2014. She was honored as the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources, Requirements and Assessments (N8) GS-15 Civilian of the Year in 2001 and for the second time in 2003. Ms. Beall was one of eight DoD civilians awarded the DoD Distinguished Civilian Service Award by the Deputy Secretary of Defense, the Honorable Robert O. Work, at the 60th Annual Distinguished Civilian Service Awards on 8 Oct 2015.

Ms Beall is an active member of the Military Operations Research society and also served as Assistant to the Chairman of the ASW Planning Committee of the National Security Industrial Association (NSIA) from 1987 to 1988. For the past five years, she has promoted Presidential Management Fellowships in OPNAV, interviewing candidates at the spring job fair, mentoring PMFs and chairing the OPNAV PMF Oversight Council. Ms. Beall also lectures on OPNAV use of analysis to multi-service students at the Army Logistics Management College.