



## **Terrence P. Sutherland** **Director, Press Office**

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Terry Sutherland reported as the Director, Press Office, U.S. Small Business Administration, Washington, D.C. in April 2013. In this capacity he serves as an SBA Spokesman and oversees the press office team.

Prior to this assignment he served from 2009-2013 as the Director, Corporate Communications, for the Pentagon Force Protection Agency (PFPA) supervising and leading the office in all public affairs, special events and government relations matters. Prior to PFPA he was the Chief, External Communications at the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) headquartered at the Pentagon.

Mr. Sutherland retired in 2007 as a senior naval officer. He spent his first six years in the U.S. Navy as a Surface Warfare Officer with tours in Engineering and Weapons departments aboard the USS COCHRANE (DDG-21) and as the Navigator aboard the USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC-19), both ships home ported in Yokosuka, Japan. He is a Desert Storm veteran.

Following sea duty he served as a military law instructor at the U.S. Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island. During this tour Mr. Sutherland laterally transferred into the Navy's designated public affairs officer community.

Follow-on Public Affairs Officer tours included: Naval Support Activity, Naples, Italy; USS INDEPENDENCE CV-62; Secretary of Defense Public Affairs (Asia-Pacific Spokesman); Commander, Naval Surface Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet; and the Defense Intelligence Agency.

Mr. Sutherland is currently studying at Georgetown University pursuing a master's degree in Public Relations and Corporate Communications with a 2015 expected graduation date. He is a 2012 graduate of the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Senior Executive Fellows program. He holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from the Virginia Military Institute and a master's degree in Human Relations from the University of Oklahoma. In years past, he was also a registered stock broker and financial advisor with NASD Series 7 and 66 licenses.

He lives in his hometown of Fredericksburg, Virginia with his wife and two daughters.