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Vice Admiral Pandolfe is CEO of Pan Global Strategies, a consultancy specializing in strategic planning, risk assessment, and executive education. He serves as a Senior Mentor at the State Department's Foreign Service Institute and is on the Board of Directors of Michael Baker International, a leading provider of engineering, development, intelligence and technology solutions with global reach. He also is on the Board of Directors of the Army Distaff Foundation at Knollwood in Washington, D.C. which provides housing and health care assistance to veterans and their families. Vice Admiral Pandolfe is polished public speaker who is represented by the Worldwide Speakers Group LLC.

Vice Admiral Pandolfe was a commissioned officer in the United States Navy for 37 years, serving in the White House, United Nations, Joint Staff, and Navy Staff. He traveled the world with the Secretary of State as Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, working to limit conflict and build partnerships. In that role, he advised our nation's senior-most diplomats on issues ranging from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan to deterring Russian aggression and improving relations with China.

Vice Admiral Pandolfe is one of our nation's leading strategists. As Director for Strategic Plans and Policy on the Joint Staff, he advised the Secretary of Defense and Joint Chiefs of Staff on critical issues, including war strategy, crisis response planning, cyber and space policies, international technology transfers, and partner engagement. He was primary author of the 2015 National Military Strategy, which prescribes how to deter revisionist states while defeating revolutionary terrorist organizations.

At sea, Vice Admiral Pandolfe commanded a destroyer, destroyer squadron, aircraft carrier strike group, Naval Striking and Support Forces NATO, and the United States SIXTH Fleet. He deployed to the Middle East six times during his distinguished career. He commanded naval strike forces in Iraq and Afghanistan and helped design a comprehensive strategy to end piracy off the coast of Africa.

Ashore, Vice Admiral Pandolfe served as Military Aide and Advisor to the Vice President of the United States. He also was Director for Surface Warfare for the U.S. Navy, defining the capabilities of ships, sensors, and weapons for the fleet.

Vice Admiral Pandolfe graduated with distinction from the United States Naval Academy and earned an M.A.L.D. and Ph.D. in International Relations from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.