

At Least Four Officials That Work For US Defense Contractors Signed On To A Recent Letter Spreading The Lie That President Biden Stole The 2020 Election

SUMMARY: In May 2021, 124 retired military officials signed onto a letter "[spreading the lie that President Joe Biden stole the election.](#)" [The letter](#) –under the banner of a group called Flag Officers 4 America – also accused the Biden administration of launching "a full-blown assault on our Constitutional rights in a dictatorial manner." The note drew a strong rebuke from other current and former military officials, including former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Mike Mullen, who said the letter "[hurts the military and by extension it hurts the country.](#)"

Among the letter's signatories were at least four men with active ties to US Defense Contractors:

- [Brigadier General William A. Bloomer](#), Board Member of Ironhawk Technologies, a data solutions company that says they have "[current US Department of Defense contracts](#)" on their website.
- [Rear Admiral Chuck Kubic](#), President of Kubic Engineering Group, an [active registrant](#) in the federal government's System for Award Management.
- [Major General Edward Bracken](#), Special Advisor to [Defense Contracting Activity, LLC](#), a provider of physical security and project management [under GSA and ODNI contract vehicles](#).
- [Brigadier General Daniel Montgomery](#), CEO of Strategic Defense Solutions, which [provides](#) a variety of defense industry hardware and services.

The letter comes after the Defense Department issued a military-wide "stand down" order in the wake of the January 6th Capitol riots, requiring each unit to take at least one day to "[discuss extremism in the ranks and what to do about it.](#)" Additionally, [recent comments](#) by former Trump National Security Advisor Michael Flynn about a possible "coup" in the United States drew bipartisan criticism in Washington, DC.

If there are individuals in the defense contracting community that promote extremist conspiracy theories like the ones that led to the riot on Capitol Hill, Congress must ensure that they are stripped of their security clearances and not permitted to operate in sensitive defense environments.

In May 2021, 124 Retired Military Officials Signed Onto Joint Letter Endorsing The Conspiracy Theory That President Joe Biden Was Not Legitimately Elected, And Arguing The United States Had Taken Turn Towards A "Marxist Form Of Tyrannical Government."

In May 2021, 124 Retired Military Officials Signed Flag Officers 4 America's Open Letter That Questioned The 2020 Election; The Letter Accused President Joe Biden Of Being A Dictator, Argued Voting Rights Legislation Would End The Republic, And Questioned Biden's Mental Acumen.

May 10, 2021: 124 Retired Generals And Admirals, Calling Themselves 'Flag Officers 4 America,' Signed An Open Letter Spreading Lie That President Biden Stole The Election, Warning Nation Was "Deep Peril" From "Full-Blown Assault On Our Constitutional Rights." "A day after 124 retired generals and admirals released a letter spreading the lie that President Joe Biden stole the election, current and former military officials are speaking out, calling the missive a dangerous new sign of the military being dragged into the trenches of partisan warfare. The open letter on Monday from a group calling itself Flag Officers 4

America advanced the false conspiracy theory that the presidential vote was rigged in Biden's favor and warned that the nation is 'in deep peril' from 'a full-blown assault on our Constitutional rights.'" [Politico, [5/11/21](#)]

Flag Officers 4 America: Election Integrity Demands “Insuring [sic] There Is One Legal Vote Cast And Counted Per Citizen,” Claimed FBI And Supreme Court Had Ignored “Election Irregularities” In 2020 Election. “Without fair and honest elections that accurately reflect the ‘will of the people’ our Constitutional Republic is lost. Election integrity demands insuring there is one legal vote cast and counted per citizen. Legal votes are identified by State Legislature’s approved controls using government IDs, verified signatures, etc. Today, many are calling such commonsense controls ‘racist’ in an attempt to avoid having fair and honest elections. Using racial terms to suppress proof of eligibility is itself a tyrannical intimidation tactic. Additionally, the ‘Rule of Law’ must be enforced in our election processes to ensure integrity. The FBI and Supreme Court must act swiftly when election irregularities are surfaced and not ignore them as was done in 2020.” [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

Flag Officers 4 America: Biden Administration Was Behaving In “Dictatorial Manner,” Citing Executive Orders. “Aside from the election, the Current Administration has launched a full-blown assault on our Constitutional rights in a dictatorial manner, bypassing the Congress, with more than 50 Executive Orders quickly signed, many reversing the previous Administration’s effective policies and regulations.” [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

Flag Officers 4 America: HR1 “Would Destroy Election Fairness And Allow Democrats To Forever Remain In Power,” “Ending Our Representative Republic.” “Finally, H.R.1 & S.1, (if passed), would destroy election fairness and allow Democrats to forever remain in power violating our Constitution and ending our Representative Republic.” [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

Flag Officers 4 America: “The Mental And Physical Condition Of The Commander In Chief Cannot Be Ignored.” “The mental and physical condition of the Commander in Chief cannot be ignored. He must be able to quickly make accurate national security decisions involving life and limb anywhere, day or night.” [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

The Flag Officers 4 America Letter Earned Rebukes From A Former Chairman Of The Joint Chiefs Of Staff And Other Former And Current Military Officers

Politico: Serving Navy Officer Who Wished To Not be Identified Called Letter “Disturbing And Reckless.” “As news of the letter spread, it set off a round of recriminations among current and former military members. One serving Navy officer, who did not want to be identified publicly, called it ‘disturbing and reckless.’” [Politico, [5/11/21](#)]

Former Chairman Of The Joint Chiefs Of Staff, Admiral Mike Mullen, Called The Letter “Right-Wing Republican Talking Points” That “Hurts The Military.” “As news of the letter spread, it set off a round of recriminations among current and former military members. [...] ‘I think it hurts the military and by extension it hurts the country,’ said retired Adm. Mike Mullen, a former chair of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, describing it as replete with ‘right-wing Republican talking points.’” [Politico, [5/11/21](#)]

Admiral Mullen Also Noted No Four-Star Generals Had Signed The Letter, Along With A Limited Number Of Three Stars, Noting Letter Was “Not Very Significant In Terms Of People.” “Mullen also pointed out that no retired four-stars signed it and only a handful of three-stars. ‘It’s not very senior,’ he said. ‘In our world it’s not very significant in terms of people.’” [Politico, [5/11/21](#)]

Former National Security Council Member Peter Feaver Said The Letter Was An “Appalling Breach Of Military Professionalism And The Norms On Which Democratic Civil-Military Relations Depends.” “But others were less sanguine. Peter Feaver, a scholar in civil-military relations at Duke University who served on the National Security Council under Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush, called the letter ‘an appalling breach of military professionalism and the norms on which democratic civil-military relations depends.’” [Politico, [5/11/21](#)]

Retired Air Force Colonel Turned Air Force Academy Instructor, Marybeth Ulrich, Accused Signees Of Perpetuating “The Big Lie” About The Election, And Said The Letter Had “Anti-Democratic” Undertones. “Jim Golby, an expert in civil-military relations, called it a ‘shameful effort to use their rank and the military’s reputation for such a gross and blatant partisan attack,’ while a retired Air Force colonel who teaches cadets at the Air Force Academy, Marybeth Ulrich, labeled it ‘anti-democratic.’ [...] ‘That was way worse than I was expecting,’ said Ulrich, a retired Air Force colonel who teaches civil-military relations at the Army War College and Air Force Academy. ‘They are perpetuating the big lie about the election. I think it is outrageous. Some of it is very anti-democratic behavior.’” [Politico, [5/11/21](#)]

Four Officials Who Signed The Flag Officers 4 America Letter Had Executive Or Advisory Positions With Defense Contractors Currently Registered To Do Business With The Federal Government

Brigadier General William A. Bloomer, Signee Of Flag Officers 4 America Letter, Was Listed As Chairman Of The Board For Contractor Ironhawk Technologies

“BG William A. Bloomer, USMC, ret.” Signed The Flag Officers 4 America Open Letter. [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

Bloomer’s LinkedIn Indicated That, While He Was Retired As Chairman, He Was “Member Of The Advisory Board” At Ironhawk Technologies, Providing Advice To The President And Management Team. The LinkedIn also included information about his time as a brigadier general. [LinkedIn – William Arthur “Art” Bloomer, accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Ironhawk Technologies Website Listed Art Bloomer As Being On Their Advisory Board.



ART BLOOMER
Advisory Board

General Bloomer is Chairman of the Board of Ironhawk. He retired from 31 years of active military du
Read Bio

[Ironhawk Technologies – “About Us,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Ironhawk Said They Worked To Help Enterprises Manage Data In Limited Bandwidth Environments.

“Ironhawk was founded in 2001 under the name Integrated Data Corporation (IDC). Our original mission was to help enterprises manage and distribute large amount of data in limited bandwidth environments. In March, 2009, IDC changed its corporate name to Ironhawk Technologies, Inc., adding a new corporate tagline: ‘Delivering Decision Critical Data.’ Our new name reflects our expanded mission and represents the strength,

robustness, and security of our solutions, as well as our increased focus on speed that enables intelligent decision making in the theater of operations.” [Ironhawk Technologies – “About Us,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

- **Ironhawk’s “About Us” Page Noted The Existence Of “Current US Department Of Defense Contracts.”** “Concurrently, to reflect our growth, our corporate offices are fully equipped with a functional demonstration lab linked via various modes of satellite connections to several of our other Government-sponsored labs. This will enable us to service several of our current US Department of Defense contracts[.]” [Ironhawk Technologies – “About Us,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Ironhawk Technologies In Garland, TX, Was Listed As Active In The System For Award Management (SAM) Database Under DUNS Number “034088869.” [System for Award Management – Search Records, accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Rear Admiral Chuck Kubic, Signee Of Flag Officers 4 America Letter And Spokesperson For “Veterans for Trump,” Is President Of Defense Contractor Kubic Engineer Group

“RADM Chuck Kubic, USN, ret.” Signed The Flag Officers 4 America Open Letter. [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

Charles Kubic Founded Kubic Engineer Group In 2012. “Kubic Engineer Group, LLC was established as a family owned consulting engineering business in 2012 by Charles R. Kubic, P.E., a retired Rear Admiral in the U.S. Navy Civil Engineer Corps. After his Navy career, Chuck served for seven years as President of an international design-build construction company.” [Kubic Engineer Group – “About,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

- **RADM Charles R. Kubic, P.E. Is Currently Listed As President For Kubic Engineer Group.** [Kubic Engineer Group – “About,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]
- **“Chuck Kubic” LinkedIn Also Indicated He Is President Of The Kubic Engineer Group.** [LinkedIn – “Chuck Kubic,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Kubic Engineer Group Is A “Licensed Professional Engineering Company,” Indicating A Wide Range Of Specialties. “KEG provides consulting engineering services to U.S. and foreign construction and engineering companies for strategic project and PPV planning, foreign market entry and local national support, proposal writing and ‘red team’ analysis, design and construction management, contract start-up, change management, and dispute resolution. KEG is a licensed Professional Engineering company, and we are ready to respond quickly to your planning, engineering and consulting requirements in the USA and abroad.” [Kubic Engineer Group – “About,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Kubic Engineer Group, LLC, In Virginia Beach, VA, Was Listed As Active In The System For Award Management (SAM) Database Under DUNS Number “831343608.” [System for Award Management – Search Records, accessed [06/02/21](#)]

Chuck Kubic Served As A Spokesman For “Veterans For Trump” As Recently As February 2021. [Interview with Rear Admiral Chuck Kubic at CPAC 2021 in Orlando, [02/27/21](#)]

Major General Edward Bracken, Signee Of Flag Officers 4 America Letter, Was Listed As Special Advisor To Defense Contracting Activity, LLC

“MG Edward R. Bracken, USAF, ret.” Signed The Flag Officers 4 America Open Letter. [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

Edward Bracken Was Listed As Special Advisor To Defense Contracting Activity, LLC. “Major General Edward R. Bracken is chief of staff, Headquarters Air Force Logistics Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. AFLC provides logistics resources necessary to keep Air Force units and weapon systems in a

state of readiness, and sustain their operations in peace, war and contingencies. The command carries out this mission through five air logistics centers and 11 specialized centers, and has approximately 90,000 airmen, officers and civilian employees throughout the world. The general is a command pilot with 4,000 flying hours and 130 combat missions. His military awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with nine oak leaf clusters, and Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters.” [Defense Contracting Activity, LLC – “Board of Advisors,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Services Offered By Defense Contracting Activity, LLC, Included “Security & Law Enforcement,” “Base Operations, Construction & Maintenance,” “IT & Communications,” And “National Security Consulting.” [Defense Contracting Activity, LLC – “Services,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

January 15, 2021: Defense Contracting Activity’s Official Twitter Account Shared A Headline About “Left-Wing Activist” At The Capitol During The January 2021 Riots. The image reads, “Left-wing activist seent at Capitol wore gas mask, said he had knife during riot: feds.” [Twitter - @DefenseActivity, [1/15/21](#)]

Defense Contracting Activity, LLC, In Chantilly, VA, Was Listed In The System For Award Management (SAM) Database Under DUNS Number “824629047.” [System for Award Management – Search Records, accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Brigadier General Daniel Montgomery, Signee Of Flag Officers 4 America Letter, Served As CEO Of Contractor Strategic Defense Solutions

NOTE: No information was found to indicate a Brigadier General by the name of “Daniel I. Montgomery” exists. However, a Brigadier General by the name Daniel L. Montgomery, previously endorsed Donald Trump in the September 2020 “[Open Letter From Senior Military Leaders](#)”; the Flag Officers 4 America letter references this September 2020 letter and it’s likely that Daniel I. Montgomery and Daniel L. Montgomery are the same individual.

“BG Daniel I. Montgomery,” A Signee On The Letter, Likely Refers To BG Daniel L. Montgomery, Who Had Previously Endorsed Trump And Had Experience With Northrop Grumman

“BG Daniel I. Montgomery, USA, ret.” Signed The Flag Officers 4 America Open Letter. [Flag Officers 4 America – “Open Letter from Retired Generals and Admirals,” [5/10/21](#)]

September 2020: 235 Retired Senior Military Officers Signed Onto A Letter Endorsing President Trump, Decrying The Influence Of “Socialists And Marxists.” “Some 235 retired senior military officers have signed a letter backing the reelection of President Donald Trump and warning that electing former Vice President Joe Biden would lead to growing influence in government by ‘socialists and Marxists.’ A letter released Monday by the Trump-Pence campaign was signed by eight four-star generals or admirals, 42 three-star generals or admirals and at least one Medal of Honor recipient: retired Marine Maj. Gen. Jim Livingston.” [Military.com, [9/15/20](#)]

- **“BG Daniel L. Montgomery, US Army, Retired” Signed Onto The Military Officer Endorsement Open Letter.** “As retired military officers, we believe that Donald J. Trump has been tested as few other presidents have and is the proven leader to confront these dangers. [...] We urge our fellow Americans to join us in supporting the re-election of Donald Trump for President. [...] BG Daniel L. Montgomery, U.S. Army, Retired” [Donald J Trump Website - “Open Letter from Senior Military Leaders,” [9/15/20](#)]

November 2004: Northrop Grumman Named Brigadier General Daniel L. Montgomery As A Corporate Lead Executive. “Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE:NOC) has named Daniel L. Montgomery as corporate lead executive for the Huntsville, Ala. region. Montgomery also serves as vice president and deputy general manager of the Tactical Systems Division in Northrop Grumman's Mission Systems sector. [...] Brig. Gen. Montgomery (Ret.) joined Northrop Grumman in 1999 following a 32-year career with the U.S. Army. His most recent Army assignment was senior acquisition executive for Air and Missile Defense Systems.” [Northrop Grumman – Press Release, [11/30/04](#)]

Daniel L. Montgomery Was CEO Of Strategic Defense Solutions, A Contractor

Dan Montgomery, Who Listed 32 Years Of Service As Brigadier General In The US Army, Was Listed As “Co-Founder & CEO” Of Strategic Defense Solutions. “Dan Montgomery Co-Founder & CEO[.] Brigadier General, U.S. Army, Retired – 32 Years of Service[.]” [Strategic Defense Solutions – “Leadership,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Strategic Defense Solutions (SDS) Advertised Itself As “Providing A Vast Array Of The Highest-Quality Defense And Security Products And Services Worldwide.” “Strategic Defense Solutions is focused on providing a vast array of the highest-quality defense and security products and services worldwide.” [Strategic Defense Solutions – “What We Do,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

- **“Core Competences” Of SDS Included “National Defense Products & Services,” “Logistics, Kitting & Development Support,” And “Physical Security & Law Enforcement Support.”** [Strategic Defense Solutions – “Core Competencies,” accessed [5/20/21](#)]

Strategic Defense Solutions In Huntsville, AL, Was Listed As Active In The System For Award Management (SAM) Database Under DUNS Number “828343892.” [System for Award Management – Search Records, accessed [5/20/21](#)]