



## **General Donald G. “Don” Cook**

USAF, Retired

Director -USAA Federal Savings Bank, Crane Corporation, US Security Associates, United Way, Masters Leadership Program of San Antonio and Bexar County, Housing 1 Source, Cybernance, Inc.

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General Cook is self-employed and serves as an Independent Director on four corporate boards: Crane Corporation (Compensation/governance); USAA Federal Savings Bank (Audit/Trust/governance) and Beechcraft Aircraft Co (Audit and Government Security, Chair); U.S. Security Associates (Compensation); consultant for Lockheed-Martin Corp and Senior Mentor for the Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar at the University of Virginia Darden Business School.

General Cook served on the board of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad (compensation) from August 2005 until its sale to Berkshire Hathaway in February 2010. Prior to his retirement from the Air Force in August 2005, his culminating assignment was as the Commander, Air Education and Training Command, Randolph AFB TX where he was responsible for executing the \$8+B annual budget to recruit, train and educate Air Force personnel, safely implement the 500,000 hour annual flying hour program and provide for the leadership/welfare/oversight of 90,000 military and civilian personnel in the command.

General Cook had numerous command and high level staff assignments during his career. He commanded a flying training wing and two space wings, the 20<sup>th</sup> Air Force (the nation's nuclear Intercontinental Ballistic Missile force), and Commander of Air Combat Command during September 11, 2001. General Cook also served as the Chief, Senate Liaison Office, Capitol Hill and on the staff of the House Armed Services Committee, US House of Representatives. During his 36 year career he flew over 4000 hours in various trainer, bomber and fighter aircraft and retired as a 4-star general. He was twice awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptional leadership.

### *Education:*

- University of North Carolina Business School Executive Education (AF Mentor 2007-2008)
- Harvard Business School Executive Program (2006)
- Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies and the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Policy Syracuse University (1997)
- MBA Southern Illinois University (1978)
- BS Michigan State University (1969)

### *Professional Military Education:*

- Capstone General/Flag Officers' Course (1994)
- Air War College (1986)
- Armed Forces Staff College (1981)
- Squadron Officers' School (1975)

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*Civic Involvement:*

- Chairman, Advisory Committee for the Texas Resources for Iraqi-Afghanistan Deployment (TRIAD) Fund , San Antonio Area Foundation (2007-2010)
- Director, Masters Leadership Program, United Way San Antonio (2005-2013)
- Trustee, Southwest Research Institute (2005-present)
- Chairman, Combined Federal Campaign San Antonio (2001-2005)
- Executive Committee and Trustee, San Antonio and Bexar County United Way (2007-present).
- Director, Cybernance, Inc. (2017-present)

*Affiliations:*

- National Association of Corporate Directors
- Air Force Association
- Retired Military Officers' Association
- Order of Daedalians
- Michigan State University Alumni Association (Distinguished Graduate Award)
- Ft Worth Air Power Council