

LOUIS E. CALDERA

Louis E. Caldera has served on numerous private, public company and nonprofit boards and commissions, including Southwest Airlines Co., Iomega Corporation, Career Education Corporation, IndyMac Bancorp., Inc., and Belo Corp. He currently serves on the board of directors of A.H. Belo Corp., the parent company of The Dallas Morning News and DallasNews.com, where he chairs the compensation committee. He also serves on the board of The Corps Network, the national nonprofit association of state and local youth-serving conservation corps programs.

Louis is a professor of leadership at The George Washington University, where he teaches leadership and public policy courses and serves as a senior fellow at the GW Cisneros Hispanic Leadership Institute.

The former Secretary of the Army, Caldera has served in numerous public, higher education and nonprofit leadership roles, including as an Army officer, university president and in two presidential administrations.

Following graduation from West Point and service as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army, Caldera earned law and business degrees from Harvard University. He was a lawyer in public and private practice in Los Angeles, before winning election to serve in the California Legislature representing a downtown Los Angeles based district in November 1992. In the State Assembly, he chaired the Revenue and Taxation and Banking and Finance Committees. In September 1997, Caldera received a presidential appointment to serve as a Managing Director of the Corporation for National and Community Service, and in July 1998, he was appointed by President Bill Clinton to serve as the nation's 17th Secretary of the Army, a position he held until January 2001.

Following service in the Clinton Administration, Caldera began a career that combined higher education teaching and administration and service on corporate and nonprofit boards, beginning as a Vice Chancellor for the California State University. From 2003 to 2006, he served as President of the University of New Mexico and was a tenured faculty member at the university's law school from 2003 to 2008. Louis Caldera left the university to serve on the President-elect's Department of Defense Transition Team and subsequently as a member of President Obama's White House staff, serving as an Assistant to the President and Director of the White House Military Office. Since leaving the Obama administration he has worked in numerous roles consulting and advising on business, higher education, and national security and foreign policy matters. A member of the Council on Foreign Relations, Caldera is a native of El Paso, Texas and live in Bethesda, Maryland.