

Veteran Supplier Diversity Expert Brenda R. (Dizer) Smith, CPSM, CPSD Joins the NVBDC Advisory Board

DETROIT, MICHIGAN, UNITED STATES, October 17, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Keith King, President of the National Veteran Business Development Council (NVBDC), is pleased to announce the appointment of Veteran Supplier Diversity expert Brenda R. (Dizer) Smith, to the NVBDC Advisory Board.

"Brenda brings the perfect confluence of deep experience as a Supplier Diversity professional, relevant leadership positions in corporate, non-profit and government settings, and the fact that she is a veteran is an added bonus for us," said King.

Ms. Smith is an award-winning Supplier Diversity professional. For eighteen years, she served in the Global Procurement Organizations of Intel and Nike, respectively, as Senior Procurement Program Manager, and Supplier Diversity Director. She is a founding Board Member of Astra Women's Business Alliance (Astra), a Regional Partner Organization of the Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC), and served on the Board of the Northwest Mountain Supplier Development Council (NW MTN), a Regional Council of National



Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC). She has been a member of the Institute for Supply Management (ISM) since 1998 and has acquired all of their certifications. She currently serves on their Certification and Diversity Committees. She has an MBA in Management and BBA in Marketing.



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In 2013, Ms. Smith launched B.R. Smith Inc., a consulting company primarily focused on veteran business development and supply chain/supplier diversity certification training. She also provides solutions and directions to small businesses as well as providing access for veterans and their families to resources and housing.

She is also an alumna of the Veteran Women Inspired for the Spirit of Entrepreneurship (VWISE)

Program. This program was initiated by the Institute of Veteran and Military Families (IVMF), administered by Syracuse University.

"We are very much looking forward to Brenda's guidance," King said, "and we are certain she'll make an immense contribution to the NVBDC as our organization continues to grow and thrive."

Mission

The National Veteran Business Development Council is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization dedicated to certifying Service Disabled and Veteran-Owned businesses of ALL sizes. NVBDC assists the advancement and growth of veterans who pursue the dream of owning and operating a business. Please visit us at: www.nvbdc.org or on Facebook at facebook.com/nvbdc.

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