



**Paul Lauro**  
**Biographical Profile**

**Director Network Contracting Office 12**  
**(Great Lakes Acquisition Center)**  
**Veteran's Administration**

Born in Chicago, Mr. Lauro's Government career started on Army active duty in 1989 and he was subsequently designated a member of the Corps of Army Engineers (1993) and retired from active duty in 2009. He served the Department of Defense (DoD) for 28 consecutive years (active and civilian service) until February 2017 when he joined the Veteran's Administration. His operational active duty assignments include the 82nd Airborne Division (Infantry) at Ft Bragg, NC, and subsequent Engineer Officer assignments with the 82nd Engineer Battalion, (Bamberg, Germany), the 46th Engineer Battalion, Heavy Construction (Ft Polk, LA), and Civil Facilities/Force Protection Management Officer (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia).

Paul currently serves as the Director of the Great Lakes Acquisition Center (GLAC) for the Veterans Administration (VA) Integrated Services Network (VISN 12) with supervisory responsibility (150+ geographically dispersed personnel) ensuring Contracting/Purchasing and execution of supply chain management for 8 Medical Centers, 38 Outpatient Clinics, 8 Nursing Homes, 6 Domiciliaries, and 14 Readjustment Counseling Centers. His organization enables health care services for over 2400 beds and supports multiple highly specialized programs including polytrauma, blind rehab, spinal cord injury, multiple organ transplant sites, and agreements to train thousands of physicians each year. As a result, nearly 38,000 admissions and 4 million outpatient annual visits provide clinical care to a population of over 700,000 Veterans residing within a 4 State region (Illinois, NW Indiana, Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and Wisconsin). Additionally, Paul oversees the management of an enterprise wide credit card program executing 190,000+ transactions annually.

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**Prior Logistics / Procurement / Supply Chain Management Experience**

2014-2017 General Manager, Contracting (Procurement) / Strategic Sourcing; Supply Chain Management  
National Guard Bureau (Army/Air Guard); *Unlimited Monetary obligation authority*

2012-2014 Director of Contracting / Supply Chain Management, USMC (National Capital Region; HQRS USMC Pentagon, Marine

2011-2012 Contracting/Grants Officer; USAF Office of Scientific Research (Arlington, VA); *Unlimited Monetary obligation authority*

2009-2011 Senior Procurement Policy Analyst; HQRS Department of the Army; Operations (Pentagon)  
*Oversight of \$700M in annual requirements*

2007-2009 Procurement Contracting Officer (Pentagon); *Monetary obligation authority: \$50M*

2002-2003 Procurement Contracting Officer (Deployed), Office Director; Joint Civil-Military Operational Task Force (Kabul, Afghanistan) *Monetary obligation authority: \$30M*

2000-2001 Procurement Contracting Officer, Deputy Director, HQRS 3<sup>rd</sup> Army-Forward (Doha, Qatar)  
*Monetary obligation authority: \$10M*

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**Prior Program / Project Management Experience**

2004-2006 Assistant Program Manager, Program Executive Office, Program Joint Services (Rock Island Arsenal, IL)

2001-2003 Requirements Manager (Assigned), Heavy Tactical Trucks, Combined Arms Support Command (Ft. Lee, VA)

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**Prior Army Corps of Engineer Experience**

1999-2000 Civil Management Officer; Installation Facilities/Force Protection Operations (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

1997-1999 Commander, Heavy Construction Company (Ft Polk, LA)

1996-1997 Engineer Battalion Supply/Logistics Officer (Ft Polk, LA)

1993-1996 Engineer Company Executive Officer/Battalion Motor Officer (Bamberg, Germany)

### **Education (Other Than Logistics / Program Management and Contracting)**

Rockford University (College); B.A. (Economics / Bus Admin), Rockford, IL	1985
Engineer Officer Basic Course (EOBC), Ft Leonard Wood, MO	1993
Engineer Officer Advanced Course (EOAC), Ft Leonard Wood, MO	1996
Combined Arms Services Staff School (CAS3), Ft Leavenworth, KS	2001
Command and General Staff Officer Course (CGSC), Ft Leavenworth, KS (Correspondence)	2005
University of Notre Dame; MBA (Finance Concentration), South Bend, IN	2005

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### **Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Certifications**

	Contracting (Procurement)	Program Management
DAWIA Level III	6 Apr 2004	5 Jan 2005
DAWIA Level II	6 Apr 2004	5 Jan 2005
DAWIA Level I	7 Nov 2002	7 Nov 2002
Materials Management		15 Mar 2002
Acquisition Corps Membership (DoD)		22 Mar 2005

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### **Commercial (Non-Government) Certifications**

National Contract Management Association	Certified Federal Contracts Manager (C.F.C.M.)	1 May 2008 - 31 Dec 2023
	Certified Commercial Contracts Manager (C.P.C.M.)	1 May 2008 - 31 Dec 2023
	Certified Professional Contracts Manager (C.P.C.M.)	1 May 2008 - 31 Dec 2023

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Institute of Supply Management	Certified Purchasing Manager (C.P.M.)	14 May 2008 - 13 May 2013
	Certified Professional In Supply Management (CPSM) aka (Canada): Supply Chain Management Professional (SCMP)	14 May 2008 - 12 Aug 2020

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Lean Six Sigma	Green Belt	27 May 2000
	Black Belt	6 Jun 2005

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National Association of Purchasing Card Professionals	Certified Purchasing Card Professional (CPCP)	18 Oct 2008 - 31 Oct 2011
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### **Professional Decorations/Achievements**

Bronze Star, Meritorious Service/Army Commendations (6), Army Achievement (2), Good Conduct and numerous Service/Campaign Medals (15), Combat Infantry Badge (Gulf War combat duty, 1990-1991; 82d Arbn Div), and three additional overseas hazardous duty deployments (3rd Infantry Division, 18th Airborne Corps, and Army Central Command); airborne badge; Steven D. Mantia Leadership award (selected by military peers); NCMA President (Pentagon Chapter) 2008-2010.

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