CV Paul Solomon

I am a retired, renowned expert on project/program management planning and controls for large, high risk, software-intensive weapon systems (B-2 Stealth Bomber, F-35 Joint Strike Fighter). I have been a project management consultant to commercial IT companies in India and S. Korea (Samsung). However, those experiences, including cost overruns and schedule slips, are not relevant to DOGE goals. Except for lessons learned.

I want to join your team to continue my real work and passion. I have been advocating attainable acquisition reforms, regarding cost plus development contracts, to DoD officials (Undersecretary level), SASC and HASC Chairmen, and even to Pres.-elect Trump.

My recommendations to use outcome-based metrics and to break down the barriers to entry to non-traditional suppliers have been included in DoD policy and guidance. However, they did not get into statutes or regulations because of fierce obstruction by the military/industrial complex (NDIA, CODSIA).

My specific recommendations, when implemented, will reduce acquisition regulations, decrease the size of the acquisition work force, provide transparency and accountability regarding high-risk capital acquisitions, both military and civilian, and reduce fraud, waste, and abuse.

I challenged Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman because of alleged fraud on the F-35 contract to obtain undeserved award fees (profit). Four law firms found my allegations and evidence compelling and invested five years in my whistleblower lawsuit. The case was rejected by a federal appeals court for jurisdictional reasons, not on the merits. However, the appeals court *concluded that the DCMA and GAO reports* (which used my evidence) *allege facts that make a potentially fraudulent scheme readily identifiable.* What should be important to your selection committee is the passion, conviction, and time that I invested in trying to hold the defendants accountable. You can learn more at my website, <u>www.pb-ev.com</u>, at the F-35 Whistleblower Case tab.

Please read excerpts from my letters to DOGE, Congressmen, and DoD Officials, since 2007, at the "DOGE" tab. There are links to the PDF files. All correspondence is at the "Acquisition Reform" tab.

I have a letter of commendation from John McCain, and commendations and DoD buy-ins from current leadership (Heidi Shyu, Bill LaPlante, Andrew Hunter) and past DAU head and USD (Acquisition) Katrina McFarland.

My academic credentials, contributions to DoD and GAO guides, and to ANSI project management standards are at the "About" tab. I co-authored a book that integrates program management with systems engineering. It was published by Wiley/IEEE. I published many articles in Defense Acquisition Magazine and other journals. The latest article integrates Digital Engineering with program management and SE. I was a Visiting Scientist to Carnegie Mellon Software Engineering Institute and published a SEI Technical Note.

I know I can help you achieve success.

Sincerely,

Paul Solomon