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The Distinguished Service Awards Names Prescient Edge Veteran Owned Business of the Year; Glenn Yarborough, Colonel (Ret.) Lifetime Achievement Honoree

The Distinguished Service Awards honor service to veterans within the Greater Washington Business community

Tysons Corner, Virginia – [The Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce](#) (Northern Virginia Chamber) has named **Prescient Edge** the Veteran Owned Business of the Year, Established, **Ping Wind** the Veteran Owned Business of the Year, Maturing and **Coforma**, Veteran Owned Business of the Year, Emerging, during this morning's 2022 [Distinguished Service Awards \(DSA\)](#) held at the Army Navy Country Club. [Craig C. Crenshaw](#), Major General (Ret.), Virginia Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs, was the event's honored Keynote Speaker.

Created to honor individuals, companies, and non-profit organizations for their service to veterans in the Greater Washington business community, the DSA are presented in recognition of community stewardship and business leadership in the following categories: **Veteran-Owned Business of the Year** in 3 categories, **Veteran Service Organization of the Year**, and **Veteran Employee of the Year**.

"It's an honor to be recognized as a Distinguished Service Veteran Owned small business and for the entire PingWind team to see we are accomplishing great things together. We are proud to be veteran owned, foster veteran employment and support the veteran community including providing services for the Department of Veterans Affairs. We are tremendously lucky with the great economic resources offered by Northern Virginia including a top tier labor pool, access to supporting institutions and a diverse network of service providers, and we look forward to future growth together," said Aaron Moak, CEO, PingWind.



This year's Lifetime Achievement Award winner was [Colonel Glenn Yarborough, Jr](#), Colonel (Ret.) President and Chief Executive Officer of WGY & Associates, LLC. Glenn Yarborough is a distinguished U.S. Army veteran having served in Armor and Cavalry units for 27 years and an established and active member of the Northern Virginia business community. His last assignment in uniform was Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition. Glenn retired as a Colonel, commenced his next career as a defense industry executive and has a history of selfless service as a decorated veteran with a Silver Star, Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

"This award is a reminder of the strength of the veteran community and a reminder that we need to continue to give back. I'm honored to be recognized with so many tremendous veteran leaders and organizations. Beat Navy," said Tyler Sweatt, SecondFront.

"Northern Virginia's veteran businesses continue to demonstrate their tremendous value to our Greater Washington D.C. community. The Chamber is honored to recognize their achievements and contributions through the 2022 Distinguished Service Awards. Congratulations to this year's winners," said Julie Coons, Chamber President and CEO.

Winners of the 2022 DSA:

Veteran Owned Business of the Year, Emerging: **Coforma**

Veteran Owned Business of the Year, Maturing: **PingWind**

Veteran Owned Business of the Year, Established: **Prescient Edge**

Veteran Employee of the Year:

- **John Quackenbush, JHNA**
- **Tyler Sweatt, SecondFront**

Veteran Service Organization of the Year: **Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund**

More information on the DSA can be found [here](#).

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About the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Originally founded in 1925 as a Fairfax county-focused business advocacy organization, the Northern Virginia Chamber has grown into the region's largest Chamber of Commerce, drawing members and



impacting policy across the Greater Washington D.C. Metropolitan Region. Today, representing close to 500,000 employees, the diversity of our community is one of our greatest assets, offering opportunities to learn from one another and form personal connections that help guide lasting business growth.

The Chamber's goal is to be considered not only a business partner but also an agent of change for our members. We do this through our work in government advocacy, education through events and programs, networking, promotion of member businesses, and recognition through awards. We are proud to have worked together over these many years to build a meaningful association that enriches our community and look forward to continuing that good work.

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