

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



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FROM: County Executive Office **SUBMITTAL DATE:** December 10, 2014

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS ACTION

Committee, Commission, or Board: The Commission on Defense & Military Services

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approves the appointment of:

Type of Nomination: At Large (CEO's appointment)
Member: Name: Tom Freeman
 Address: Post Office Box 1357
 Riverside, CA 92502
 Telephone: (951)955-9826

Term of Appointment: Full 4-year term, February 1, 2015 thru January 31, 2019.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION: Mr. Freeman enlisted in the United States Air Force on 21 November 1979, during the Iranian Hostage Crisis. He served in the Inaugural Honor Guard of President Ronald Reagan and the Joint Services Honor Guard for the funeral and repose of General of the Army Omar Bradley. Freeman completed Airborne Training and Instructor School and served as an Instructor Paratrooper and also taught escape & evasion, and survival courses. He was honorably discharged in 1985 and immediately enlisted with the Military Department of the State of California and called to active duty the next day with the California National Guard. Freeman was Honorably Discharged from Active Duty with The California Military Department on 10 January 1990 and accepted employment with the County of Riverside Fire Department on 11 January 1990. He continued to serve with the Military Department, California National Guard on active, ready reserve, inactive reserve, and state reserve status until his retirement on 21 November 2007. He also served 3 terms as an elected officer and Executive Board member of the National Guard Association, advocating in both state and federal capitols for military equipment, compensation increases, education benefits, separation and retirement benefits for soldiers, airman, their families and wounded warriors. He received numerous awards, decorations, and specialty badges while serving his native state and nation. Freeman currently serves as the Commissioner of the Office of Military & Defense Services; and retires on 22 January 2015.



Jay E. Orr,
County Executive Officer