



**Donald Powell**

I went through Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at the University of Southern California. I received my commission as a Second Lieutenant in 1966. The Air Force allowed me to complete my Master’s Degree in International Public Administration from the same university before going on active duty in 1968. My initial assignment was as an Executive Support Officer at the Space and Missile Systems Organization in Los Angeles from 1968-1970. I then received orders to be the Commander of the Aerial Mail Terminal/Courier Station in Bangkok, Thailand. I served in this assignment from 1970-1972 and then received the Air Force Commendation Medal when I was honorably discharged in March of 1972.

My post military service career was as a city official, including City Manager for 19 of the 30 years I worked in Santa Fe Springs, California. After retirement in 1999 I served as an Interim City Manager in a number of cities and as an Inhouse Special Projects Consultant.

I have been married to my high school sweetheart, Jackie, for almost 55 years. We have four wonderful children and 9 fabulous grandchildren.

