



**LTG Raymond V.
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*Director, Army
Emergency Relief
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LTG (R) Raymond V. Mason retired from the United States Army in October 2014, after serving 35 years on active duty, the last 12 as a General Officer. Following retirement, General Mason joined VT Systems in Alexandria VA as the Chief Operating Officer. VTS is a US based company with global commercial and government / military focused capabilities in Aerospace, Shipbuilding, Ground Systems and Electronics; including over 5,000 employees and \$1.2B in annual revenue. He is currently the Director of Army Emergency Relief, a non-profit in support of Soldiers and Army Families; annually AER provides \$70 M in critical financial assistance to over 40 K Soldiers.

General Mason's last tour on active duty was as the Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics on the Army Staff, responsible for the worldwide sustainment of Total Army forces across the full range of supply chain management, maintenance, transportation, operational contracting, contingency basing, operational energy and information technology systems. In this position, General Mason served as the Chairman of three boards: Army Depot Maintenance; Army Uniform; Army & Air Force Exchange Service, and as a member of the Defense Commissary Agency Board.

Prior to his duties at the Pentagon, General Mason served as the Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, Forces Command, Fort McPherson, Georgia. FORSCOM is the Army's largest and most diverse field command, comprising over 800K Soldiers, providing trained and ready forces to Combatant Commanders. During his military career, General Mason commanded and led logistics and multi-functional units from the platoon to national level, across the full range of Army combat and joint operational capabilities. He also had extensive experience in strategic level logistics, to include a tour as the Deputy Director for Logistics, Joint Chiefs of Staff and as the Cdr, Troop Support, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA).

He served multiple overseas tours in Germany, Australia, Korea and Hawaii. Combat tours included serving as the 82d Airborne Support Command Operations Officer in Grenada, and as the Senior Logistics Officer in 3d Army (ARCENT), with responsibility for providing sustainment to combat forces in Kuwait, Iraq, Afghanistan and Horn of Africa. His command billets include: Services Company, 21 Supply Battalion, Sydney Australia; 407th Forward Support Battalion, 82d Airborne Division; Support Command, 25th Infantry Division; 19th Expeditionary Support Command, Korea; and 8th Theater Support Command, Hawaii, where he was also the Senior Mission Commander overseeing all Army Hawaii missions.

General Mason holds a Bachelor of Arts in Management & Marketing from James Madison University (78); a Master of Science in Procurement & Acquisition Management from Florida Institute of Technology (86); and a Master of Science in Strategic Resource Management from the National Defense University (99). He currently resides in Arlington, Virginia and Raleigh North Carolina, with his wife of 43 years, the former Patti Kay Harris of Williamsburg, Va. They have two children, Nick a professional golfer, and Sarah who works for Red Hat in London England.