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Biography

David Pekoske leads the National Programs business area at PAE. In this role, David is responsible for building and managing the company's business in the Intelligence Community and the Department of Homeland Security. Prior its acquisition by PAE, David led the national security business unit at A-T Solutions. Before accepting his role at A-T Solutions, David was the 26th Vice Commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard. In this key leadership position within the Department of Homeland Security, then-Vice Admiral Pekoske was second-in-command, Chief Operating Officer, Component Acquisition Executive of the Coast Guard.

Previously, he was the Commander of the Coast Guard's Pacific Area and Coast Guard Defense Forces West, responsible for all Coast Guard operations in the western hemisphere. David's other Flag Officer assignments were Assistant Commandant for Operations at Coast Guard Headquarters and Commander of the First Coast Guard District (Northeastern United States)/Maritime Defense Zone One.

David has a Master of Business Administration degree from the Sloan School of Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a Master of Public Administration degree from the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University. He is a graduate of the U. S. Coast Guard Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Ocean Engineering.

David is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the InfraGard National Member's Alliance. InfraGard is a public/private sector partnership sponsored by the FBI to enhance information sharing to protect the nation's critical infrastructure. InfraGard has over 35,000 volunteer members representing all critical infrastructure sectors. He is also a member of the Naval Studies Board of The National Academies. The Naval Studies Board is a source of independent, long range scientific and technical planning advice for naval forces. David is a member of the board or advisory board of several other national security-related organizations. He is a member of the adjunct faculty at American University and has

instructed at the Naval Postgraduate School and The Johns Hopkins University on public policy, leadership, and innovation.