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Biography

Paul Steward is currently the Director of Military and Government Search and Rescue (SAR) Products for ACR Electronics, Inc. based out of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. As such, Mr. Steward is responsible for the development, promotion and sale of ACR's military and government SAR product lines. Mr. Steward joined ACR Electronics after concluding a 24-year career in the United States Coast Guard (USCG). Before retiring, he spent the last eight years of his career as the Cospas-Sarsat Liaison Officer for the United States and the USCG's International Search and Rescue Coordinator.

Mr. Steward is a member of the United States Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services (RTCM). He has served as Chairperson for the Special Committee on Regulations and Specifications for Emergency Beacons – Personal Locator Beacons (PLBs) and Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacons (EPIRBs). Mr. Steward also serves on the Board of Directors for the Association for Rescue at Sea (AFRAS).

His USCG career background includes both multiple shipboard and shore assignments that focused on counter-narcotics and other law enforcement operations, as well as search and rescue operations throughout the North Atlantic Ocean and Caribbean Sea. Mr. Steward's military awards include two Meritorious Service Medals, two U.S. Coast Guard Commendation Medals, and the U.S. Navy Commendation Medal, among others.

Mr. Steward is a graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Political Science, and he has a Master's in Business Administration.