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ROY CLARK

Roy Clark is Director of Legislative and Cabinet Affairs of the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs in Tallahassee, Fla. A retired U.S. Army Colonel, he assumed his duties in June 2016.

As the principal legislative officer, he provides oversight in the development and presentation of the department's statutory initiatives. As chief Cabinet officer, he is the primary point of contact with Cabinet members and their staff concerning agency policy.

Roy retired from the Army following 26 years of service in the Field Artillery. A Vietnam veteran, he spent the majority of his career overseas in nuclear capable delivery units. His last assignment on active duty was as the senior Army advisor to the Florida National Guard in St. Augustine.

Retiring from active duty in 1993, he moved to Tallahassee and established a legislative affairs office for the Florida Department of Military Affairs. During his tenure, the agency was successful in getting legislation passed that included college tuition for members of the Florida National Guard and a state-level Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act.

In 2003, he entered the private sector and became vice president of Governmental Affairs for the Paxen Learning Corporation located in Melbourne, Fla. From his Tallahassee office, he lobbied Congress and various state legislatures to fund and adopt legislation supporting the various services that Paxen provides.

Roy and his wife, Lillian, have two grown children and seven grandchildren.

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