ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

BIOGRAPHY

Brigadier General Jeffrey L. Newton (Retired) is the Commissioner for the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs located in Montgomery, Alabama, with the primary mission of assisting the nearly 400,000 Alabama Veterans, families, and survivors to promote awareness and receive all the benefits, support, care, and recognition from the state and federal government. This is a cabinet level position appointed by the Governor.

Prior to his ADVA agency assignment, he was the Director of the Joint Staff of the Alabama National Guard responsible for joint military operations relating to State and National emergencies. His 41-year military career with the United States Air Force and the Alabama Air National Guard included numerous overseas deployments with the 117th Air Refueling Wing

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His major military awards include the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Air Force and Army Commendation Medals, and the Alabama Distinguished Service Medal. In November 2021, he was inducted into the United States Air Force's Enlisted Heritage Hall - Wall of Achievers located at Maxwell Air Force Base/Gunter Annex. He is a graduate of Samford University, and Auburn University.