

Full Bio

Glenn Voelz served for twenty-five years in the U.S. Army. After completing the Army's Airborne course and Ranger School, he was commissioned from the United States Military Academy at West Point as an infantry officer. He served several years as a platoon leader in light infantry and airborne brigades.

Glenn was a two-time U.S. Olympic Trials qualifier (Swimming 1988 and Modern Pentathlon 1996). In 1994 he was selected for the Army's World Class Athlete Program and assigned to the U.S. National Modern Pentathlon Team. After placing 7th at the 1996 Olympic trials, Glenn resumed his military career as an intelligence officer. He later served as an Assistant Professor of History on the faculty at West Point.

As an intelligence officer, Glenn spent over a decade living and working overseas in Asia, Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. He held multiple positions at the Pentagon while assigned to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Defense Intelligence Agency. After leaving the Pentagon, he was a senior duty officer in the White House Situation Room. Glenn spent three years managing security assistance programs for U.S.-partner military forces across Africa. During that time, he served as an embedded advisor on the staff of the African-led International Support Mission in Mali during the 2013 security crisis.

After promotion to the rank of Colonel, Glenn was nominated for an Army War College fellowship in the Security Studies Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). While there, he researched defense technology and military innovation at MIT's Lincoln Laboratory. Glenn concluded his military career as the senior intelligence analyst on the International Military Staff at NATO Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. After retiring from active duty, Glenn moved with his family to Bend, Oregon.

Glenn holds advanced degrees from the University of Virginia, National Intelligence University, and the University of Washington. He has published numerous books and journal articles wide range of topics, including diplomatic history, government contracting, military innovation, and emergency management. He has published three novels and is currently working on a history of the Mt. Bachelor ski area.

When not writing, Glenn works as a professional ski patroller at the Mt. Bachelor Nordic Center. He is a Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician and a volunteer member of the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Team. Glenn also serves as a board member on the Summit West Neighborhood Association in Bend, Oregon.

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