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Mr. Wren has been with the Pennsylvania SBDC for 11 years and currently serves as the Director of Specialized Programs for the Pennsylvania SBDC. Mr. Wren is responsible for the development, implementation and management of specialized consulting programs for the network of Pennsylvania SBDCs, which are located at 18 colleges and universities throughout Pennsylvania. This includes the International Business Assistance Program, Defense Economic Transition Assistance Program, the Technology Commercialization Program, and the Veterans Outreach and Assistance Program. He is the past Chairman of the Innovation Partnership, a consortium of economic development organizations that provide technical and financial assistance to technology entrepreneurs seeking federally funded research and development projects. Mr. Wren is a member of the Association of Small Business Development Centers, Association of Government Marketing Assistance Specialists, the National Contract Management Association, the American Society for Quality, and the North American Small Business International Trade Educators

Prior to his current position, Mr. Wren was the Director for the Pennsylvania SBDC Procurement Technical Assistance Program for Southeastern Pennsylvania. In this position he managed the Procurement Technical Assistance Program that delivers government marketing consulting services to 10 Southeastern Pennsylvania counties through Centers located at the Kutztown University, Lehigh University and Temple University.

Mr. Wren has worked for a variety of small businesses in various capacities including Director of Federal Procurement for an environmental laboratory to General Manager for a transportation refrigeration company.

Mr. Wren has over 30 years of experience in the acquisition and procurement processes of the federal government and continues to work closely with the Small Business Administration, Defense Logistics Agency, Department of Commerce, and other federal agencies involved in Federal Acquisition Network processes, e-commerce initiatives, electronic data interchange, technology commercialization, and international business assistance.

He has presented at international, national, state and local events on topics including government contracting, small business innovation research, and e-commerce and

authored several research papers on topics affecting small business and technology commercialization.

He retired from the United States Marine Corps with over twenty years of service and held a variety of procurement, acquisition, and logistics-related billets at various locations around the globe.

Mr. Wren attended the University of Maryland and currently resides in Dillsburg, PA.