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Steffanie Easter is vice president of Strategy and Planning for the Defense and Civilian Sector.

Prior to joining SAIC in 2020, she served as director, Navy Staff for the U.S. Navy becoming the first civilian to hold the position. In this role she served as the senior civilian and coordinated enterprise level efforts across the Navy staff, ensuring alignment of more than 400 Flag Officers and senior executives in direct support of the Chief of Naval Operations.

Throughout her career, she served in a number of high impact positions in the Department of Defense including acting assistant secretary of the U.S. Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology; F-35 Joint Program Office executive director; assistant deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education; assistant deputy commander for Acquisition at Naval Air Systems Command; and deputy program executive officer for Tactical Aircraft Programs.

Easter has been recognized with multiple awards including the Presidential Rank Award; the Secretary of the Navy Distinguished Civilian Service Award; the Army Exceptional Civilian Service Award; and the Secretary of Defense Meritorious Civilian Service Award. She is also the recipient of the 2010 Black Engineer of the Year Award for Professional Achievement and the 2009 National Women of Color Award for Managerial Leadership.

In 2020, Easter joined the board of directors for Fincantieri Marine Group. She also serves on the board of directors for the Military Bowl Foundation, a nonprofit that supports our nation's current and former service members and she serves as a member of the NC State Engineering Foundation board of directors.

Easter earned her bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from NC State University, and her Masters of Engineering degree from The Catholic University of America. She received the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award from both Universities.

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