

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF MR. WAYNE M. GATEWOOD, JR.
PRESIDENT & CEO QUALITY SUPPORT, INC.

Mr. Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr. of Annandale, Virginia, joined the Marine Corps in June 1966, in Rochester, NY, at the age of 17, and graduated from MCRD, Parris Island, SC, during October 1966. He served in the Republic of Vietnam during June 1968 through July 1969, with Sub-Unit One, 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (ANGLICO). While serving 21 years of active duty, Wayne earned a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Management from Wayland Baptist University, and a Master's of Science Degree in International Relations from Troy State University. Mr. Gatewood returned to Northern Virginia from Marine Support Battalion, Rota, Spain during July 1987, and retired from active duty at the rank of Master Sergeant.

Subsequent to his departure from active duty, Mr. Gatewood served as a Project and Program Manager in support of federal government and commercial clients, and during December 1989, established Quality Support, Inc., a technical, management, and administrative support services firm. Quality Support has since grown into a competitive and very reputable firm with more than 100 employees, and mirrors the work ethic and values consistent the U.S. Marine Corps.

Present and past clients include the U.S. Army, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy, U. S. Departments of Commerce, Veterans Affairs, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Department of State; the Corporation for National Service, NASA, Defense Intelligence Agency, U. S. Coast Guard, General Services Administration, National Endowment for the Arts, National Endowment for the Humanities, UNISYS, and other federal government and commercial clients.

Quality Support maintains offices and activities in Washington, D.C.; Landover, Maryland; Aberdeen, Maryland, and Benicia, California. Quality Support has also maintained operations and facilities in London, England in behalf of the U. S. Department of State, and supported both Bosnia and Kosovo Free Elections in 2000. Quality Support has provided services in Jordan, Libya, Egypt, and other national and overseas locations. In addition to supporting federal government customers, Quality Support has a number of commercial sector clients.

Mr. Gatewood and Quality Support have been recipients of numerous awards over the years to include a 2007 U.S. Department of Defense Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Award, U.S. Veterans Administration 2007 Volunteer of the Year Award, U.S. Chamber Of Commerce Blue Ribbon Small Business Award for 2007, SBA Washington Area District Director's Award for 2006, SBA Washington District Office 8(a) Graduate of the Year Award, Veterans Small Business Advocate of the Year Award, American Express OPEN Small Business Award, U.S. Department of State 2004 Small Business Excellence Award, African-American Patriots Jeffries Carey National Achievement Award, and the NAACP Washington, DC Chapter 2006 Leadership Award. Additionally, Wayne has been featured in a number of newspaper and magazine articles, and Quality Support has been the recipient of many letters of commendation for superior performance. Wayne was also featured on OPEN American Express small business radio commercials.

Mr. Gatewood has provided testimony to the Congressional House Small Business Committee, sits on a number of small business and advocacy councils, and serves as a small business advocate while participating in a variety of small business forums. On a volunteer basis, Wayne provides motivational and entrepreneurial seminars and small business briefings to both government and commercial audiences, and provides Marines and other service members and Veterans with cost-free pre-retirement counseling, mentorship, and networking support. Wayne also travels around the United States providing small business presentations regarding Veterans small business laws and programs and federal government contracting issues. Wayne takes great

joy in meeting and speaking with aspiring small business owners from all parts of the small business community, especially Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces.