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Dr. Snider serves most recently as Professor of Army Profession and Ethic, Army War College, continuing over a half century of service to the Republic. Just prior he had departed West Point as Professor Emeritus, culminating a tenure there in scholarship and education that followed a full Army career. He also currently serves as Senior Fellow, Army Center for the Profession and Ethic (CAPE) where he was a lead author during the two-year effort to produce the first-ever Army doctrine on the profession (ADRP-1 *The Army Profession*, 2013).

During the past decade he was research director, co-editor, and chapter author for three books on the Army as profession: *The Future of the Army Profession, 2d Edition* (McGraw-Hill, 2005), a textbook at the Army War College and West Point; *Forging the Warrior's Character: Moral Precepts from the Cadet Prayer, 2d Edition* (McGraw-Hill, 2008), republished in 2013 as *The Warrior's Character*; and, *American Civil-Military Relations: The Soldier and the State in the New Era* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2009).

Dr. Snider's recent publications include: "Trust at Stake in Gender Neutral Debate," (*Army Magazine*, July 2015), "Addressing the Army's Values-to-Virtues Gap," (*Army Magazine*, June 2014); "*Soldier Morality, Religion, and Our Professional Ethic: Does Army Culture Facilitate Integration, Character Development, and Trust in the Profession?*" (US Army War College Press, 2014, co-author); "*Once Again, the Challenge to the US Army During a Defense Reduction: To Remain a Military Profession*," (Army War College, Strategic Studies Institute, 2012, author); *The Army's Professional Military Ethic in an Era of Persistent Conflict* (Army War College, Strategic Studies Institute, 2009, co-author); *Dissent and Strategic Leadership of The Military Professions* (Army War College, Strategic Studies Institute, 2008); and "Intrepidity and Character Development Within the Army Profession" (Strategic Studies Institute, 2008).

In addition to Congressional testimonies, his publications have appeared in *Survival, The Washington Quarterly, Air Power Review, National Security Studies Quarterly, Command, Assembly, Armed Forces Journal International*, and the *Joint Forces Quarterly*. His op/eds have appeared in the *New York Times, Washington Post, and Wall Street Journal*. More recently he publishes electronically through the War College Press: "The Moral Corrosion within Our Military Professions" (2012); "The Army's Campaign Against Sexual Violence: Dealing with the Careerist Bystanders" (2013); "What Our Civilian Leaders Do Not Understand About the Ethic of Military Professions" (2013); and, "Should General Dempsey Resign: Army Professionals and the Moral Space for Dissent" (2014).

Soon after commissioning from the US Military Academy in 1962, Dr. Snider served three combat tours as an infantryman in the Republic of Vietnam. After battalion command in the 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, he specialized in military strategy and defense policy serving consecutively as Chief of Plans for Theater Army in Europe, Joint Planner for the Army Chief of Staff, and Federal Executive Fellow at the Brookings Institution. In 1987 he joined the staff of the National Security Council in the White House serving as Director, Defense Policy, in both the Reagan and Bush Administrations. In his final active duty position he served in the Office of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, retiring from active military service in 1990.

Dr. Snider holds a Doctorate in Public Policy from the University of Maryland (1993) and Master's Degrees in Economics and in Public Policy from the University of Wisconsin (1969). He also serves on the Executive Committee of the Inter-University Seminar (IUS) on Armed Forces and Society.