



USAWOA and The Military Coalition (TMC)

“Team Power on Capitol Hill”

**Thirty-one associations, 5.5 million members!
All uniformed services, active, reserve, retired,
survivors, veterans -- and families**



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- **Established in 1985. USAWOA is a Charter Member.**
- **Eight standing committees, each with co-chairs (one officer; one enlisted association.)**
- **“Rule of Five” is Applied within the Full TMC.**

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- **Maintenance of a Strong National Defense.**
- **Actions of Achieve and Maintain Compensation and Benefits at Proper Levels.**
- **Representing the Interests of the Uniformed Services Community.**
- **Educating the Public on the Extraordinary Demands and Sacrifices Associated with Uniformed Service.**

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- **Repeal of 1985 Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Deficit Reduction Law which imposed a 22.5 percent lifetime reduction in military retired pay.**
- **Repeal of Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act with a “seniors-only” surtax of \$ 2400 per year.**
- **Enactment of Numerous Separation Incentives.**
- **Secured Reductions in SPB Premiums.**
- **Secured Commissary and Exchange Benefits for “Gray Area” Retirees.**
- **Secured Pharmacy Benefits for BRAC Areas.**

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- **Helped Thwart Efforts to Increase Retiree Surcharge in Commissaries from 5% to 16.5%.**
- **Defeated “Hi-1” (retroactive) Retirement Plan.**
- **Reduced Military Retired Pay COLAs from 39 months to 9 months; saving Retirees \$ 1,300 per year 1994 to 1998.**
- **Won Congress’ Approval of Medicare Subvention.**
- **Spearheaded the three-year Test of Allowing Medicare-Eligible Retirees to enroll in FEHBP.**

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- **USAWOA** is a *full and equal member* of TMC.
“One Association = One Vote.”
- **USAWOA**, with its small staff and limited resources *reaps the benefit* of the legislative *influence, expertise*, and “grass-roots” *organizational power* of the larger organizations.
- **USAWOA** is the TMC *“SME” for Warrant Officer* issues. i.e: WOMA, flight pay, pay compression.
- **USAWOA gains the powerful support of TMC** and its collective membership when “Warrant Officer” beneficial legislation is considered.

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<http://www.themilitarycoalition.org>