

# SOCIETY FOR MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY

Presents this 2019 Presidential Citation to

*Michael D. Matthews, PhD*

For his leadership, scholarship, mentorship, and research contributing greatly to the advancement of the Society and to the field of military psychology.

Dr. Matthews is currently a Professor of Engineering Psychology at the United States Military Academy (USMA) in the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership. He served as President of the American Psychological Association's Society for Military Psychology from 2007 to 2008, is an APA fellow, and most recently served as the Chair for the Fellows. Through his leadership and mentorship, he created a pipeline of leaders in the Society and at USMA.

Dr. Matthews is a Templeton Foundation Senior Positive Psychology Fellow. Collectively, his research interests center on Soldier performance in combat and in other dangerous contexts. He is the author of over 200 scientific papers, and is the editor and author of several published books, including *Leadership in Dangerous Situations: A Handbook for Armed Forces, Emergency Services, and First Responders* (Naval Institute Press, 2011) and the *Oxford Handbook of Military Psychology* (Oxford University Press, 2012). His most recent book, *Head Strong: How Psychology is Revolutionizing War* (Oxford University press, 2014), explores the vital role of psychological science in 21st century war. Since its publication, the book has become required reading in several military academies around the world. The second edition will be published in March 2020 by Oxford University Press. Additionally, Dr. Matthews will soon be publishing his forthcoming book, *The Character Edge: Leading and Winning with Integrity* (St. Martin's Press, 2020), coauthored with Lieutenant General Robert Caslen.

For his advancements in the field of military psychology and to the Society through service, scholarship, mentorship, and leadership, I, Stephen V. Bowles, take great pleasure in presenting the Society for Military Psychology Presidential Citation to Dr. Michael D. Matthews.

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Stephen V. Bowles, PhD, ABPP  
President, Society for Military Psychology

