

SOCIETY FOR MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY

Presents this 2019 Presidential Citation to

Major Kristin Saboe, PhD

For her passion, creativity, and leadership in applying psychological research and principles to help improve the lives of our nation's warriors.

During Dr. Saboe's ten-year career, she has published 16 articles, book chapters, and technical reports and has led over 35 professional presentations on topics including leadership, employee motivation and performance, resilience, and military psychology. She has conducted original research and applied her findings to improve effectiveness in a number of organizations. Her work has been especially impactful in the area of applying industrial/organizational psychology to employment experiences of former service members transitioning into civilian lives.

Dr. Saboe has been a teacher, mentor, and advocate not just with practitioners and researchers, but also with political and military leaders, business executives, and service members and veterans. In her six years of service as an Army research psychologist, she was hand-selected to deploy in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, was a Section Chief at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, and served as the Branch Chief of Science & Research Integration overseeing the research portfolio for the Army's Ready and Resilient program while a staff officer at the Pentagon. In addition to disseminating material to academics and business leaders, Dr. Saboe is a prolific researcher and serves as a policy and strategy leader to DoD and Corporate leaders. She has also appeared in the media and before Congress to advocate for military psychology.

Since 2012, Dr. Saboe has served as the Co-Chair of the Military and Veterans Initiative (MVI) of the Society of Industrial and Organizational Psychology (SIOP). Under her leadership, the project is now an official SIOP Presidential Task Force with a collaborative agreement signed in April 2019 between SIOP and Division 19. Most recently, she was selected for the 2019 class of the Bush Institute's Veterans Leadership Program, a highly selective program for national leaders focused on veterans' issues. Currently, Dr. Saboe serves as the Co-Chair of the Veterans Transition Think Tank that is working with military members and their family members to transition from the military to the civilian sector. She is also an Advisory Committee Member to the Hiring Our Heroes, Military Spouse Employment Advisory Committee. In Division 19, she was selected as Membership Chair for 2020.

For her leadership for military psychology and creativity in applying industrial and organizational psychology principles to improve the lives of military members, I, Stephen V. Bowles, take great pleasure in presenting this Society for Military Psychology Presidential Citation to Dr. Kristin Saboe.

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

