

Bio for Dr. Scott Loucks Johnston

Dr. Scott Loucks Johnston is a clinical psychologist and Fellow of the American Psychological Association, board certified in both clinical and forensic psychology. He earned his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Palo Alto University and completed a postdoctoral fellowship at Harvard Medical School.

Dr. Johnston served over 30 years in the United States Navy, retiring as a Captain after holding senior leadership roles including Director of the Naval Center for Combat and Operational Stress Control, Navy Psychology Specialty Leader, and Naval Special Warfare Force Psychologist. He provided care to thousands of service members, led assessment and selection programs for elite units including Navy SEALs and Presidential Marines, and developed reintegration programs for returning personnel. His service included deployments to the Middle East, Europe, and Cuba.

He is the founder of two consulting firms and advises domestic and international organizations in operational and consulting psychology.

Dr. Johnston is an internationally recognized scholar and speaker on combat-related PTSD, LGBTQ+ issues in the military, and military mental health systems. He currently serves as Associate Guest Editor for a special issue of *Military Psychology* on the war in Ukraine. His honors include the APA Division 19 Robert Nichols Award for Excellence, the Palo Alto University Distinguished Alumni Award, Navy Psychologist of the Year, and multiple military commendations.

A member of APA Division 19 for 30 years, he has held multiple leadership roles, including two terms as Division Treasurer, Member-at-Large, and Chair of the Military Psychology Foundation. He also contributes to the Division 19 Ukraine Collaboration Initiative.

Dr. Johnston lives in San Diego, where he remains active in community service as a Scoutmaster for his son's Boy Scout Troop

