I am Carrie Kennedy, a Navy Captain with 25 years of military service and Division 19 membership, and I am seeking the Division 19 Presidency.

My diverse military background spans clinical, research, operational, and neuropsychology practice. Notable roles include: leading the substance abuse rehabilitation program in Okinawa, leading the mental health department in Bahrain, overseeing the Marine Corps Embassy Security Group’s assessment and selection and insider threat detection programs, serving as the Navy’s aerospace neuropsychologist, deploying to Cuba and Afghanistan, serving as the Navy’s Clinical Psychology Specialty Leader, leading DoD’s Psychological Health Center of Excellence, chairing Navy Medicine Operational Training Command’s Scientific and Ethical Review Board, and serving on the Navy’s Clemency and Parole Board.

Over the course of my Division 19 membership, I have sustained my commitment to its mission as evidenced by the roles I have filled, including serving as Guest Editor and regular reviewer for our journal Military Psychology, creator and administrator of our Facebook group, reviewer for Convention proposals, Co-Chair of the Continuing Education Committee, Member-At-Large, two terms as Council Representative, and current service as Fellows Committee Chair.

In my military and Division 19 roles I have experienced first-hand the power of all psychology disciplines working together for a common goal and am acutely aware of the professional and personal challenges and opportunities present for military psychologists.

My goals as Division 19 President:

1. **Student Support**: Maintain robust student support and mentorship. Division 19 enjoys the highest levels of student engagement and support of all of the Divisions of APA. Maintaining student programs, involvement, and funding is a must.
2. **Leadership Development**: Expand leadership development opportunities, particularly for early career psychologists to strengthen our pipeline of leaders. As military psychology continues to evolve and become more heavily relied upon, our leadership development opportunities must be expanded as well. Our efficacy grows when we have our leader-experts in strategic positions, both within the military and Division 19/APA.
3. **Engagement and Membership**: Increase all membership categories and active engagement of members. Maintaining the health of Division 19 hinges on recruiting new members and retaining existing members. A concerted focus on the spectrum of both personal and professional diversity, and career-development stage is key to our efficacy and growth.
4. **Advocacy**: Highlight and advocate for our professional diversity and identity. Military psychology is a natural microcosm of the entire field of psychology and demonstrates daily the impact psychologists can have when united in purpose.
5. **Showcase Impact**: Spotlight the accomplishments of military psychology and its national impact. Military psychologists continuously pioneer advances which expand and improve the capabilities of the psychology profession across the nation. Highlighting this impact is important for the growth of military psychology and the advocacy of military psychologists.

My demonstrated commitment to service makes me a strong candidate. Serving as President would be a profound privilege.