

## **Michael Groen (LtGen, US Marine Corps, Ret.)**

Michael served over 36 years in the U.S. military, culminating his career as the Director of the Joint Artificial Intelligence Center, and the senior executive for AI in the Department of Defense. He previously served at the National Security Agency, overseeing Computer Network Operations, and as the Director of Joint Staff Intelligence (JSJ2), working closely with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, Secretary of Defense and Senior Leaders across the Department. Groen is an experienced Marine commander and multi-tour combat veteran. He is the author of, *With the First Marine Division in Iraq, No Greater Friend, No Worse Enemy*.



Today, Michael works with a range of technology companies, helping them achieve their objectives in a fast-paced and highly competitive marketplace. He seeks to inform transformational change in military capabilities against the backdrop of an accelerating pace of digitally enabled warfare, rapidly modernizing opponents, and challenges to American competitiveness. He has earned Master's Degrees in Electrical Engineering and Applied Physics from the Naval Postgraduate School. Michael grew up in Michigan and attended Calvin College.