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## **Jacksonville Lawyer Joins K9s For Warriors' Board of Directors**

**(Ponte Vedra, FL)** – North Florida nonprofit K9s For Warriors proudly welcomes Daniel K. Bean to its Board of Directors. Mr. Bean currently serves as the executive partner and trial lawyer at the Jacksonville office of Holland & Knight. The K9s For Warriors Board, previously comprised of twelve members, looks forward to the thirteenth addition to their team.

“We are so excited to have him on our side,” said Shari Duval, K9s For Warriors’ founder. “His years of experience as a lawyer and serving others in the Navy will do us justice in more ways than one. Mr. Bean will work closely with the other board members, assisting with several aspects of our organization. We couldn’t be more pleased.”

Along with his considerable experience as a lawyer, Mr. Bean was the recipient of the Legion of Merit for his service as a Surface Warfare Officer and Judge Advocate in the United States Navy. Mr. Bean retired at the rank of Captain after a career that lasted 25 years.

“It is one of the most remarkable nonprofits I’ve had the pleasure of knowing,” Mr. Bean says of K9s For Warriors. “Now, the opportunity to be involved in such a wonderful mission is truly fulfilling and honorable. As a veteran myself, I very much look forward to my part in helping save the lives of my fellow veteran brothers and sisters.”

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### **About K9s For Warriors**

K9s For Warriors was founded in 2011 by Shari Duval. After her son, Brett, returned home as a contractor from Iraq with Post Traumatic Stress Disability, Duval recognized that there was a need to treat innovatively and effectively the devastating epidemic. What started out as an idea developed into a passionate nonprofit organization committed to saving the lives of rescue dogs and military heroes alike. Since 9/11, there have been 130,000 veteran suicides (22 lives lost a day to PTSD). Through a three-week, live-in training program – at no cost to the veteran – K9s For Warriors graduates are able to return to civilian life with dignity and independence while reducing their risk for suicide. The mission of K9s For Warriors is to stop the nearly 22 daily suicides altogether. The organization has become the nation’s preeminent organization providing service dogs to post-9/11 veterans suffering from PTSD, traumatic brain injury, and/or military sexual trauma. To date, 278 veterans have been matched to service dogs.

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*K9s For Warriors is a 501(c)3 dedicated to our American Warriors who have sacrificed their tomorrows for our todays.*

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