

"I'm proud of the work that I've been able to accomplish for New Jersey's veterans and military over the past few years," said General Rieth. "I approach this continued opportunity to serve with great excitement and look forward to working every day for New Jersey's veterans and our men and women in uniform."

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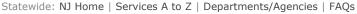
These are Governor-elect Corzine's first cabinet appointments. All Department heads are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The only exception is the Secretary of Agriculture who is appointed by the Board of Agriculture pending the Governor's approval. The Department of State oversees arts, cultural and historical services in New Jersey. This includes the State Archives and Records Management, the State Museum, the Historical Commission, the Council on the Arts, the Cultural Trust, the Governor's Office of Volunteerism, the Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Commission, the Commission on American Indian Affairs, and the Office of Faith-Based Initiatives. The Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs oversees veterans services in New Jersey as well as the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard. The department is also responsible for the military response element of the state's homeland security program. Message from Major General Glenn K. Rieth, The Adjutant General I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to the members of the New Jersey Army and Air National Guard, the employees of the NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, the Veterans community and its leaders for your support and hard work. My reappointment as The Adjutant General by Governor-elect Corzine affirms the great accomplishments the DMVA team has achieved. I am humbled to be surrounded by thousands of dedicated an patriotic Soldiers, Airmen, and civilian employees. During the past four years, our team has been a shining beacon of excellence in support of our veterans, fellow service members, and their families. Governor-elect Corzine has witnessed our commitment to the residents of New Jersey and is counting on the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to continue this tradition of service to the community, state and nation. I am confident that we will continue to lead by example while providing unwavering support to those who wear or have worn the uniform – past, present, and future.

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