

Press Release

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**Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr.
President and CEO
Quality Support, Inc.**

Mr. Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr. of Annandale, Virginia, joined the U. S. Marine Corps in June 1966, in Rochester, NY, at the age of 17, and graduated from Parris Island, SC, Platoon 3048 during October 1966. He served in the Republic of Vietnam during June 1968 through July 1969, with Sub-Unit One, 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (ANGLICO). While serving 21 years of active duty, Mr. Gatewood earned a Bachelor's of Science in Management from Wayland Baptist University, and a Master's of Science Degree in International Relations from Troy State University. Mr. Gatewood returned to Northern Virginia from Marine Support Battalion, Rota, Spain during July 1987, and retired from active duty at the rank of Master Sergeant.

Subsequent to his departure from active duty, Mr. Gatewood served as a Project and Program Manager in support of federal government and commercial clients, and during December 1989, established Quality Support, Inc., a technical, management, and administrative support services firm. Quality Support has since grown into a competitive and very reputable firm with more than 100 employees, and mirrors the work ethic and values consistent the U.S. Marine Corps.

MEA Receives Generous Donation from Quality Support, Inc. President and CEO, Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr.

Santa made an early visit to the Marine Executive Association when Wayne Gatewood, former MEA board member and retired U.S. Marine Corps Master Sergeant, generously donated \$2,000 to the organization. "Giving is what Marines do and this has become a part of who I am, Gatewood commented. There was a need and it was filled."



Wayne Gatewood is the President and CEO of Quality Support, Inc. Gatewood started the company in 1989 in his home. Today, Quality Support Inc. employs over 100 individuals serving in the United States and overseas. "I give all credit to the Corps for instilling in me the character, drive, integrity, sense of mission, and ability to have started this company and see it through to what it has become today. Thus, I routinely donate time and money to Veteran organizations, the USMC Heritage Foundation and similar organizations such as MEA."



Wayne Gatewood retired from the Corps in 1987, as a Master Sergeant after serving 21 years of active duty. He joined the MEA board with the responsibility of public relations. "I joined the board in order to be in a position of being able to give back more than I had to-date...that is, to give back more to our Marine Corps and veteran communities." In addition to serving on the board, Gatewood has spoken at HQMC TAP Seminars where he presented business start-up seminars and motivational seminars, free of charge.

Gatewood frequently uses MEA's services to identify and recruit former Marines and other veterans for his company and for associates as well. "I recently hired two retired USMC Gunnery Sergeants who are now working within my company and are doing a great job!"

For more information on Wayne Gatewood and Quality Support, Inc., visit; www.qualitysupport.com.