Who's next? Pentagon leaders removed



U.S. Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth *(left)* **is causing consternation at the Pentagon as he fires or retires leaders at odds with White House policy amidst a series of increasingly aggressive military campaigns**

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John Phelan *U.S. Navy Secretary*
Struggled to meet $65bn shipbuilding request – for 18 ***Trump-Class*** warships and 16 support ships – by 2028



Gen. Randy George
Army Chief of Staff



Gen. David Hodne
*Army TTC**

*Transformation and Training Command



Maj. Gen. William Green Jr
Chief of Army Chaplains

Dec 2025



Adm. Alvin Holsey
Southern Command

Oct 2025



Jon Harrison
Chief of Staff to Navy Secretary

Sep 2025



Lt. Gen. Douglas Sims
Joint Staff

Aug 2025



Lt. Gen. Jeffrey Kruse
Director of Defense Intelligence Agency



Vice Adm. Nancy Lacore
Chief of Navy Reserve



Rear Adm. Milton Sands III
Naval Special Warfare Command



Adm. Yvette Davids
Superintendent Naval Academy

Apr 2025



Vice Adm. Shoshana Chatfield
U.S. representative to NATO Military Committee



Gen. Timothy D. Haugh
Director NSA, U.S. Cyber Command

Feb 2025



Fired by Trump: **Gen. Charles "CQ" Brown Jr.**
Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff



Gen. Jim Slife
Air Force Vice Chief of Staff



Adm. Lisa Franchetti
Chief of Naval Operations



Lt. Gen. Jennifer Short *Senior military adviser*

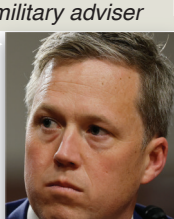


Lt. Gen. Charles Plummer
Air Force Judge Advocate General



Lt. Gen. Joseph Berger III
Army Judge Advocate General

Dan Driscoll ▶
Army Secretary
Touted as potential successor to Hegseth, they have clashed but he remains in post – for now



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