

WIPPERMAN APPOINTED AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR VETERANS AFFAIRS

RALEIGH - Administration Secretary Moses Carey announced that Timothy E. Wipperman of Durham, an attorney and U.S. Army veteran, has been appointed as Assistant Secretary for Veterans Affairs, effective July 11. He will serve as Director of the [N.C. Division of Veterans Affairs](#) (NCDVA).

“Tim brings exceptional credentials and a welcome degree of experience and commitment in serving veterans,” Carey said. “At a time when our military community is expanding, his leadership will help us carry out the Division of Veterans Affairs’ motto of ‘helping those who served.’” “I am excited about this opportunity,” Wipperman said. “Each generation of veterans faces unique challenges, while at the same time sharing in some that are common to veterans of all eras. I look forward to helping North Carolina’s veterans receive the benefits they deserve.” NCDVA serves as an advocate for veterans and their families offering assistance through a network of District and County Veterans Service Offices. Its staff assists in the presentation, processing, proof and establishment of claims, privileges, rights and benefits as they may be entitled to under Federal, State or local laws. NCDVA also provides skilled level nursing care and provides burial plots to qualified veterans of North Carolina, as well as a scholarship program for children of North Carolina disabled, combat or deceased war veterans. Approximately 800,000 veterans currently reside in North Carolina, which also counts about 120,000 active members of the military and 25,000 guard and reserve forces. Combined with the many military bases located here, the total impact on the state’s economy is about \$25 billion annually. Wipperman has 21 years of active duty in the U.S. Army, both as an officer and an enlisted man. He served with conventional and unconventional units including more than three years with the Alaska Army National Guard. As an attorney, he has represented clients in all levels of the North Carolina state court system in criminal and civil cases. Wipperman earned his law degree in 2005 from N.C. Central University School of Law, where he was a Senior Editor of the NCCU Law review and received the Floyd B. McKissick Award for Leadership and Scholarship. He is a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, AMVETS, Association of the U.S. Army and Military Officers of America Association, as well as a member of the American Legion, the American Bar Association and N.C. Bar Association.