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PRITZKER MILITARY LIBRARY NAMES JOHN ROWE TO BOARD OF
DIRECTORS**

Chicago – [date] – Chicago business and civic leader JOHN W. ROWE has been elected to the Pritzker Military Library’s Board of Directors, the Library announced today.

Rowe, who holds undergraduate and J.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin, has had an illustrious business career. He is Chairman Emeritus of the Chicago-based Exelon Corporation, a public utilities corporation serving the cities of Chicago, Philadelphia, and Baltimore. During the course of his career, he has also served as the CEO of the New England Electric System and the Central Maine Power Company, and as general counsel for the Consolidated Rail Corporation. He co-chaired the National Commission on Energy Policy and served on the Secretary of Energy’s Blue Ribbon Commission on America’s Nuclear Future. He currently sits on the boards of the Northern Trust Company, The Allstate Corporation, and SunCoke Energy.

His civic commitments and investments in the future of Chicago’s cultural and educational life are equally extensive. He currently chairs the Illinois Institute of Technology, New Schools of Chicago, and the Field Museum, is the former chair of both the Commercial Club of Chicago and the Chicago History Museum, and sits on the boards of the Illinois Holocaust Museum, the Morgridge Institute for Research, and the OneChicago Fund. He has endowed numerous research positions at IIT, the University of Wisconsin, and the Field Museum, and his private foundation, the Rowe Family Trust, co-founded both the Rowe-Clark Math and Science Academy and the Rowe Elementary School.

Rowe’s appointment to the Pritzker Military Library Board of Directors is the latest step in the Library’s effort to bring top-flight leadership to its staff and board. His appointment follows those of Colonel Paul C. Hastings to the board and Kenneth A. Clarke to the position of President and CEO.

“I’m proud that John Rowe has agreed to join our board,” says Library Founder and Chair Colonel (IL) J.N. Pritzker ARNG (retired). “He is a distinguished member of Chicago’s business and philanthropic communities, and we are pleased to be able to benefit from his expertise in the business world and his civic involvement. The kind of leadership that John Rowe and our other board members provide is crucial as the Library plans for its future.”

Founded in 2003, the Pritzker Military Library is a unique repository of more than 65,000 books, manuscripts, artworks, artifacts, primary source documents, films, and audio recordings dedicated to exploring the role, concept, and experiences of America’s Citizen Soldiers. It is located in the historic Monroe Building, in the Chicago Loop across from Millennium Park and the Art Institute of Chicago.

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