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Pritzker Military Library and WTTW-Chicago Announce Launch of New Program Citizen Soldier to premiere November 11 at 2 p.m.

CHICAGO, November 2, 2012 - The Pritzker Military Library and WTTW-Chicago will soon launch a new collaborative broadcast, *Citizen Soldier*.

"We're very happy to have WTTW as a partner," says Kenneth Clarke, the Library's president and CEO. "This new program is an exciting new aspect of our mission, which is to preserve and share the stories of America's Citizen Soldiers with the widest possible audience."

Citizen Soldier will explore topics on military history and policy throughout American history through interviews and panel discussions with scholars, military personnel, and authors. The program will premiere on Nov. 11, 2012—Veterans Day—at 2 p.m. with a back-to-back broadcast of two programs:

- "Into the Fire," an interview by Bing West of Medal of Honor recipient Sgt. Dakota Meyer, USMC was sponsored
 by the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation. West, the author of eight books on national security, a Marine
 combat veteran, and former Assistant Secretary of Defense under President Ronald Reagan, conducts an indepth interview and discussion with Sgt. Meyer about the events and actions which led to his being awarded the
 Medal of Honor.
- "In Our Voices," features David H. Hymes, former president of Jewish War Veterans of the USA and World War II veteran; James Mukoyama, the first Asian-American to command a U.S. Army division and Vietnam veteran; and Rodrigo Garcia of the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs and Iraq war veteran. In this discussion sponsored by Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, Hymes, Mukoyama, and Garcia discuss the constancies and changes in combat, spanning over sixty years, two continents, and three conflicts.

"WTTW is proud to partner with the Pritzker Military Library and broadcast a number of its Citizen Soldier programs in the coming months, says Daniel Soles, WTTW's Senior VP and Chief Television Content Officer. "We think these specials provide important and insightful perspectives from a group of diverse veterans that our audience will appreciate and welcome. We hope that launching our partnership on Veteran's Day will draw attention to the valuable stories our brave men and women, who served our country with distinction, have to share."

Following the Veterans Day double-episode premiere, *Citizen Soldier* will begin regular weekly broadcasts in January with a twelve-episode season. Each episode is produced by the Library and underwritten by a different sponsor.

About the Pritzker Military Library

The Pritzker Military Library, located at 104 S. Michigan Avenue in the Loop, directly across from Millennium Park and the Art Institute, collects and preserves materials related to the history of the American military and to the concept of the Citizen Soldier. 100% privately funded, it is the only organization of its kind in the United States.

About WTTW

For more than 50 years, audiences have turned to WTTW for distinctive programming that informs, inspires, educates, and entertains. WTTW reaches 1.5 million weekly households over a four-state area, making it the most-watched public television affiliate in America. Recognized for its award-winning local and national productions, WTTW is committed to presenting the very best in cultural, nature, science, public affairs, and children's programming across its four distinct television channels: WTTW11, WTTW Prime, its Spanish-language channel WTTW V-me, and WTTW Create, its "how-to" channel. For more information, please visit www.wttw.com.