

## NaVOBA, Lowe's and Capital One Announce the 2021 Veteran's Business Enterprises® of the Year

NaVOBA and National Business Inclusion Consortium announced the 2021 Veteran's Business Enterprises® of the Year at the Back to Business (B2B) Conference.

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-- The National Veteran-Owned
Business Association (NaVOBA), Lowe's
Companies Inc. and Capital One, in
partnership with the National Business
Inclusion Consortium (NBIC),
announced the 2021 Veteran's
Business Enterprises® of the Year as
part of the Back to Business (B2B)
Conference. NaVOBA's Veteran's
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prestigious honor bestowed annually to an elite selection of America's veteran business owners working as supplier partners to NaVOBA's Corporate Allies.

The National LGBT Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC) formed the NBIC in 2011, and its members represent a total of over \$9 trillion in annual economic strength along with significant contributions to the marketplace and workplace.

"We're excited to work with our friends in the NBIC to recognize these exceptional business owners," said NaVOBA President & CEO Matthew Pavelek. "Veterans represent the intersection of all diverse business owners. These awards highlight the diversity of the veteran's business community."

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communities. To be eligible to receive the award, the nominee must be a U.S. military veteran business owner who actively runs the company.

NaVOBA recognized four exceptional firms as the 2021 Veteran's Business Enterprises® of the Year: Jackson Dalton of Black Box Safety, Inc. as the 2021 Disabled Veteran's Business Enterprise® of the Year; Keel Russell of Orange Lab Media as the 2021 Minority Veteran's Business Enterprise® of the Year; Venus Quates of LaunchTech, LLC as the 2021 Women's Veteran's Business Enterprise® of the Year; and





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NaVOBA Connects Certified Veteran-Owned

Businesses to Corporate Supplier Diversity Programs

Michael Pleasant of Open Security as the 2021 LGBT Veteran's Business Enterprise® of the Year.

"At Capital One, we know diversity of thought leads to more innovative and inclusive solutions for our customers and associates, and are committed to supporting diversity in our supply



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chain," said Clint Grimes, Chief Procurement Officer, Capital One. "We're very proud to sponsor the 2021 LGBT Veteran's Business Enterprise® of the Year recognition to Open Security and are excited to elevate the success of the entrepreneurs highlighted by the National Veteran Owned Business Association."

Visit <u>www.NaVOBA.org/VBEOYs2021</u> to learn more about these extraordinary veteran business owners.

About The National Veteran-Owned Business Association (NaVOBA)

NaVOBA is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization

led by Corporate <u>Supplier Diversity</u> professionals. It is the mission of NaVOBA to create corporate contracting opportunities for America's Veteran's and Service-Disabled Veteran's Business Enterprises (VBEs/SDVBEs) through <u>certification</u>, advocacy, outreach, recognition and education. NaVOBA provides a direct link between corporate America and veteran's business enterprises, to improve business opportunities for VBEs of all sizes.

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