

ROBERT BREVELLE



The son of a US Army Retired Veteran, Robert is an award-winning investor, entrepreneur, and business leader with a 20+ year legacy of supporting veterans and veteran-owned businesses.

Investors and companies resonate with his no-nonsense, can-do attitude and emphasis on developing results-oriented leadership teams. He has been named a Top 10 Angel Investor in San Jose, a Top 10 Angel Investor in Dallas, and a Top 101 Investor in London. Robert is the recipient of awards from NASA, the Department of Defense, the Aeronautical Systems Center, IEEE, various Fortune 500 companies, and the Small Business Administration. The award he is most proud of is from the Special Operations Command. In an interview with key personnel from JIEDDO, Robert stated, "It took some time to fully appreciate the magnitude of what we accomplished...a solution to help stop the loss of life and limb of our countrymen, the suffering of their families at home, and the horrors IEDs were inflicting on the local civilians trapped in that conflict. That, my friends, was our finest hour."

These accolades have put an international spotlight on the engineer turned entrepreneur. Robert has been featured or quoted in over 200 articles including Yahoo Finance News, the Wall Street Journal, Dallas Business Journal, NASDAQ News, Aviation Week, Signal Magazine, Electronics Weekly, Vending Times Magazine, Boston Business Journal, and Silicon Semiconductor Magazine.

This recognition is well-earned. Robert has excelled at developing and leading small startups and large corporations. He served as Entrepreneur-in-Residence at Intellectual Ventures, a \$6B venture capital and invention company with over 90,000 patents (3rd largest patent holder) and flagship investors such as Bill Gates and Nathan Myhrvold. He later served as CEO of an Intellectual Ventures company. Prior to these roles, Robert was a Partner and COO of the top 10 nationally ranked accelerator, Tech Wildcatters. Tech Wildcatters is the oldest accelerator in Texas and is recognized as the first B2B accelerator in the world. Several of his startups have received investment from prominent Texas investors such as Mark Cuban and Michael Dell.

In Corporate America, Robert led the global imaging and communications company, Teledyne e2v. He served as a senior executive at leading aerospace and defense firms Leonardo and L3Harris. He led corporations in North and South America, Europe, Asia, and the Middle East.

Robert spent his childhood growing up at military posts. As a recipient of scholarships from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Sergeant Majors Association, Army ROTC, Air Force ROTC, and Navy ROTC, he has an inherent commitment to veterans and veteran-owned businesses. His commitment and accomplishments in this area are well-known throughout the industry. He was an early corporate member of the Veteran Jobs Mission, which helped over 750,000 veterans find careers in the civilian sector. He served as Chairman of the Diversity Council at Raytheon Technologies (2nd largest US Aerospace and Defense company), which facilitated the hiring and professional development of minorities, women and veterans. Robert led diversity and veteran programs at other large companies, including Teledyne e2v, Leonardo DRS, and L3Harris.

Robert is a Founding Sponsor of the National Museum of the US Army. He honored his father and step-father by having commemorative bricks with their names, rank, and combat service in the Vietnam War enshrined along the Path of Remembrance at the national monument. He commissioned other memorials to honor the men and women of the armed forces that have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

As a donor of the Fisher House Foundation, he helps provide free housing for veterans and their families while a loved one is in the hospital. The first challenge coin Robert earned is on display at a Fisher House. Robert had carried that coin in his wallet for over 15 years.

Robert is a life member of the Association of the US Army, the National Guard Association, the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, and the Association of Old Crows (AOC). He is currently the President of the Dallas Chapter of the AOC. He is a member of the Society of American Military Engineers, the Order of the Engineer, the International High IQ Society, and Mensa.

Robert holds a BS (summa cum laude) and MS in Computer Science and Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology with a minor in Military Science. He has an MBA from the University of Texas at Dallas with post-graduate work at Southern Methodist University and the University of Chicago. He is a credentialed Project Management Professional from the Project Management Institute, and he is a graduate of the Executive Leadership Program from the Johnson Graduate School of Management at Cornell University.