

About the Author

D. J. Wilson, a Vietnam Era Veteran served two tours on active duty, during a time, when few women chose the military as an employer. Eight years later, she left Army life, and headed to San Francisco, California, a place that she dreamed about most of her young life. She lived and worked in the beautiful Bay Area for more than forty years, and it remains her favorite place to call home. She raised a beautiful daughter, as a single parent, in a state that welcomed diversity, and encouraged and promoted risk-taking.

As a civilian, she worked more than thirty years for various federal government agencies in the Bay Area. And, she worked with people of all ages, races, and social and economic backgrounds, including political leaders, and other members of the public. The work was exciting and rewarding. It gave her the opportunity to express herself in writing and through public speaking. Most of all, the work gave her the opportunities to travel throughout the State of California and beyond.

Since retiring from the federal workforce, she keeps busy volunteering at her church, retirement association, and for nonprofit organizations in the Bay Area. She loves to travel, and spend as much time as possible with her family. The tremendous uncertainties that occurred as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic renewed her interest in writing. Specifically, to tell her story about a life of adventure, hardships, hope, perseverance and empowerment. Part 1 of her autobiography, *Look! I Can Fly* is available where books are sold or through this website.