

Who We Are

The Defense Advocacy Committee (DAC) is where AUVSI's defense autonomy advocacy strategy is shaped, aligned, and turned into action. Guided by member priorities, the DAC drives the legislative, budgetary, and regulatory agenda for autonomous systems across the defense enterprise, working hand-in-hand with the Department of War, Congress, and military leadership to advance policies that accelerate fielding, strengthen the defense industrial base, and scale the adoption of mission-critical autonomous technologies. The DAC helps ensure warfighters have access to the innovative capabilities needed to maintain U.S. military readiness, deterrence, and technological superiority.

// With new DAWG (Defense Autonomous Systems Working Group) initiative, the DOD is attempting to fix a historically slow-moving, broken acquisition pipeline. //

AUVSI DAC Policy Achievements



Championed key **NDAA priorities** to enhance trusted supply chains



Ensured Army coordinates with industry on organic **industrial base modernization**



Successfully advocated for **\$1.2B in Drone Dominance Funding**

Who We Represent

The DAC speaks for the full breadth of the robotics and autonomous systems ecosystem supporting Defense stakeholders; not a single company or technology, but the entire operational and industrial base that Congress needs to hear from to make informed policy decisions including:

- Defense Autonomous Systems Manufacturers
- Uncrewed Air, Ground & Maritime Technology Companies
- Defense Software, AI & Autonomy Providers
- Counter-UAS Solutions Providers
- Dual-Use Innovators
- Industrial Base & Advanced Manufacturing Leaders
- Mission Systems, Sensors & Payload Developers

Why Congress Relies on the DAC

One Voice of Industry

Consensus positions vetted by manufacturers, operators, integrators of autonomous technologies focused on conveying what is best for a whole of industry approach on defense policy issues

Policy & Technical Depth on the Hill

Our subject matter expertise ensures new policies, from warfighter modernization to industrial base and procurement, will have the intended benefits policymakers envision

Real-World Insights

AUVSI works with the DAC and Congressional staff to ensure real world feedback, insights and data are readily available and translated into policy feedback, helping future-proof recommendations for an emerging and nascent industry

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**TIMES TESTIFIED IN
CONGRESS**

173

**COMPANIES
REPRESENTED**

27

**BILLS ENGAGED FOR NDAA
INCLUSION**

Industry Leaders Shaping the DAC

Committee Chairperson

Matt Dooley, Forterra

Vice-Chair Person(s)

Heather Hopkins, AWS

Matt Joyner, Ghost Robotics

Member Companies

ACSL Inc.	Fidelium	ProximaVision Corporation
Advanced Ocean Systems Inc.	Fincantieri Marine Group	PteroDynamics Inc.
Aerolane	Firestorm Labs Inc	Qualcomm Inc.
Airbus US Space & Defense	Flex Force Enterprises	Quantum Systems Inc
AIRO Group Inc., The	Forterra	Quaze
Airspace Link, Inc.	Fotokite	Red Cat Holdings
Altana Technologies, Inc	Gambit Defense Inc	Regent Craft
Amazon	General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc.	Reliable Robotics Corporation
American Aerospace Technologies, Inc.	General Dynamics Mission Systems	Resolute ISR, Inc
American Bureau of Shipping	Ghost Robotics	Robinson Unmanned
Amprius Technologies	Griffon Aerospace	Sagetech Avionics, Inc.
Anatra	Harmattan AI	Saronic Technologies, Inc.
ANELLO Photonics	HavocAI Inc.	Scientific Systems Company, Inc.
Anthropic	Hidden Level, Inc.	Sea Machines Robotics
Applied Intuition, Inc	Hoverfly Technologies, Inc.	SeaRobotics Corporation
Applied Research Institute, Inc.	Hyllo Inc.	Seasats
Apptronik	Icarus	Sechan Electronics, Inc.
Archer	IMS Gear	Secure Texas Enterprise Partners GP, LLC
ArgenTech Solutions, Inc.	Insitu, Inc.	Seneca Innovations
Athule Aero Technologies, Inc.	Integer Technologies	Shield AI
ATI - Advanced Technology International	Intel Corporation	Sidus Solutions
Atropos Group, Inc	Janus Marine & Defense	Skydio
AURA Network Systems	Jeppesen ForeFlight	Skydio, Inc.
Auterion	Joby Aviation	SkyfireAI
AV - Aerovironment	K&L Gates	Skyways Air Transportation Inc.
AX Enterprize	Kelly Hills Unmanned Systems	Spear AI
Axon	Knightscope, Inc.	Splash Industries
BETA Technologies	Kongsberg	Stratasys, Inc.
BlackSea Technologies	Kongsberg Geospatial	SURVICE Engineering Company LLC
Blue Water Autonomy	Kratos Defense and Security Solutions, Inc.	Sustainable Skylines Corporation
BlueHalo LLC	KULR Technology	TCOM Aerostar
Boeing Company	L3Harris Technologies	Textron eAviation
Boeing Technology Services	Leidos	Textron Systems
Booz Allen Hamilton	Leonardo DRS	Theseus
Boston Dynamics, Inc.	Leonardo Electronics US Inc.	Tideman Marine
BRINC Drones	Liquid Robotics	Titan Power
Censys Technologies	Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company	Tocaro Blue, LLC
Chance Maritime Technologies	Lockheed Martin Corporation	Tridentis Advanced Marine Vehicles LLC
Cherokee Federal	Lockheed Martin RMS	Trillium Engineering
Cherokee Nation Federal	MatrixSpace	Tulsa Innovation Labs
Compound Eye	Merlin	uAvionix Corporation
Corridian	Metron, Inc.	Ulysses Maritime Technologies
Curtiss-Wright	MNS Group	UXV Technologies
Dark Wolf Solutions	Motorola Solutions	Vatn Systems, Inc.
D-Fend Solutions Inc.	Mythos AI	Vector Defense
Divergent Industries, Inc.	National Advanced Mobility Consortium (NAMC)	Vulcan Elements
Dracoe	Neros Technologies	Westmag
Draganfly Inc.	Ocean Infinity America, Inc.	Wingtra
Dronazon	Ocean Power Technologies, Inc.	WingXpand
DroneShield	Overwatch Imaging	Winter Strategic Solutions, LLC
DZYNE	Packet Digital, LLC	WISPR Systems
DZYNE Technologies	Parallax Advanced Research	WYN Government Consulting
EagleNXT	Parrot, Inc.	XTEND Reality Inc.
eAviation & Drone Academy	Path Robotics	Xwing
Echodyne Corp	Performance Drone Works LLC	ZenaDrone, Inc.
Elroy Air	Phoenix Group	Zipline International, Inc.
Epirus, Inc.	Pierce Aerospace	
Everline Advisory	Protocol UAS LLC	