

## **JAPANESE AMERICAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION**

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## Ms. Antoinette Phelps Executive Director



Antoinette Phelps was elected as the Japanese American Veterans Association (JAVA) Executive Director (ED) in 2023. As the ED, she maintains correspondence with members and JAVA affiliates through email and the official P.O. box, writes and distributes the monthly e-Advocate, assists in setting up JAVA events, and performs other administrative duties.

Professionally, Ms. Phelps currently serves works as a contractor for the United States Navy as a Financial Analyst. She is also a current United States Navy Supply Corps Officer candidate, seeking to join the service in 2024.

Subsequently, she attended Old Dominion University, gaining a bachelor's degree in business analytics in 2017, followed by a master's degree in business administration in 2020. During her time in college, she studied Japanese which led her to study abroad in Beppu, Japan at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University for a semester where she had the opportunity to learn Japanese history and culture. Upon her return, she started the Japanese Language Club at her school to help beginner Japanese language students.