Second careers

Most of the top leaders in the Singapore Armed Forces go on to a job in the public sector or in a government-linked company after they leave service. Here is a look at where they are now.

FORMER CHIEFS OF DEFENCE FORCE



Winston Choo (1992): Diplomat



Ng Jui Ping (1995): Entrepreneur



Bey Soo Khiang (2000): Vicechairman of an Indonesian resource conglomerate



Lim Chuan Poh (2003): A*Star chairman



Ng Yat Chung (2007): Singapore Press Holdings chief executive



Desmond Kuek (2010): SMRT chief executive, leaving Aug 1



Neo Kian Hong (2013): Mindef Permanent Secretary and incoming SMRT chief executive



Ng Chee Meng (2015): Minister in the Prime Minister's Office and labour chief designate



Perry Lim (2018): Next role not known

FORMER CHIEFS OF ARMY

Ravinder Singh (2014): ST Electronics president

Chan Chun Sing (2011): Trade and Industry Minister

Han Eng Juan (1998): Last known role was as Land Transport Authority CEO (1998 - 2003)

Lim Neo Chian (1995): Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority chairman

Boey Tak Hup (1990): Last known role was as SMRT chief (2002)

FORMER CHIEFS OF NAVY

Lai Chung Han (2017): Second Permanent Secretary for Education

Ng Chee Peng (2014): Central Provident Fund chief

Chew Men Leong (2012): ST Engineering chief marketing officer

Ronnie Tay (2007): National Environment Agency chief

Lui Tuck Yew (2002): Former minister turned diplomat

Richard Lim Cherng Yih (1999): LTA deputy chairman

Kwek Siew Jin (1996): Last public role was as National Council of Social Service president (2006 - 2012)

Teo Chee Hean (1992): Deputy Prime Minister

James Leo (1991): Last known position was Singapore Technologies' director of strategic planning

FORMER CHIEFS OF AIR FORCE

Hoo Cher Mou (2016): In retirement

Ng Chee Khern (2009): Permanent Secretary (Smart Nation and digital government) in the

Prime Minister's Office, and chairman of the Government Technology Agency Board

Lim Kim Choon (2006): Last known public role was Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore chief (till 2009)

Raymund Ng Teck Heng (2001): Joined SIA as senior vice-president

Goh Yong Siang (1998): Temasek Holdings senior managing director

NOTE: Year of retirement in brackets

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