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Professor Vann is a Professor of Transnational Security Studies and director of the Marshall Center's Program on Countering Transnational Organized Crime. Professor Vann's expertise lies in addressing transnational security challenges, developing national security strategies, and other strategy approaches to solving national security threats. He has more than thirty-five years of government service with more than eight years association with the Marshall Center. Professor Vann has been a member of the teaching faculty for the Program on Terrorism Security Studies, the Program on Applied Security Studies, the Program on Cyber Security Studies, the Program on Countering Transnational Organized Crime, and other resident and non-resident Marshall Center programs. From 2011-2014, professor Vann served at the Marshall Center as a professor of national security studies and the first faculty chair for the Naval Criminal Investigative Service.



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