

## **John P. Casciano Joins Ball Aerospace**

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Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. announced that John P. Casciano has joined Ball Aerospace as Director, Systems Engineering for the National Capital Area. Casciano will focus on Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) and Integrated Battlespace programs and agencies in the Washington, DC area.

A retired Air Force Major General, Casciano served in various command and staff positions in the United States and overseas during his 32-year military career. In his last position before retirement, he was the Headquarters Air Force Director of ISR and the Service's senior Intelligence Community official. Previously, he was Commander of the Air Intelligence Agency in San Antonio, Texas, leading a 16,000-person organization.

"John's extensive experience in the Intelligence Community and success in the private sector make him uniquely qualified to support Ball Aerospace's ISR and Integrated Battlespace pursuits," said Dave Taylor, President and CEO of Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. "He was a leader in bringing the benefits of national intelligence capabilities to the warfighter, and he complements Ball's distinguished history of performance in this area."

Casciano received both his bachelor's and master's degrees in political science from Georgetown University in Washington, DC. He has also attended executive education programs in business management and national security at Harvard and the Wharton School.

Ball Corporation is a supplier of high-quality metal and plastic packaging products and innovative packaging solutions to the beverage and food industries. The company also owns Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp., which develops sensors, spacecraft, systems and components for government and commercial markets. Ball employs 12,600 people worldwide and reported 2003 sales of \$4.9 billion.

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