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## Dr. Christopher Warren named Vice President of Collections and Senior Curator of National WWI Museum and Memorial

Dr. Warren comes to the Museum and Memorial from the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum.

Link to Christopher Warren's headshot: https://www.dropbox.com/s/ltct2o4tob78cbo/Warren.jpg?dl=0

**KANSAS CITY, MO.** – The National WWI Museum and Memorial announced today the appointment of Dr. Christopher Warren as the organization's Vice President of Collections and Senior Curator, effective August 8.

A native of Kansas and graduate of the University of Kansas, Dr. Warren has extensive experience in large, complex museums and public history and academic institutions, including most recently as the Director of Curatorial Affairs for the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum. His prior experience includes senior roles at Arlington National Cemetery, the Library of Congress, U.S. Air Force History and Museum Program and the Naval History and Heritage Command. An Airforce veteran, Dr. Warren also served for seven years as an Intelligence Officer.

"Chris is a gifted leader, compelling communicator and outstanding researcher with the aptitude, passion and energy to advocate for the Museum and Memorial, enhance innovative and creative initiatives and further advance our mission," said Matthew Naylor, President and CEO of the National WWI Museum and Memorial. "I am confident that working with the team and across departments, he will leverage and strengthen our remarkable and carefully built collection and resources, and further build our partnerships."

In additional to his professional experience, Chris was awarded a Ph.D. from George Mason University where his focus was on 19th and 20th century U.S. and military history. This complements his J.D., also received at GMU.

Dr. Warren will move to Kansas City in August with his family: spouse Jenny and two boys.

## **About the National WWI Museum and Memorial**

The National WWI Museum and Memorial is America's leading institution dedicated to remembering, interpreting and understanding the Great War and its enduring impact on the global community. The Museum and Memorial holds the most comprehensive collection of World War I objects and documents in the world and is the second-oldest public museum dedicated to preserving the objects, history and experiences of the war. The



Museum and Memorial takes visitors of all ages on an epic journey through a transformative period and shares deeply personal stories of courage, honor, patriotism and sacrifice. Designated by Congress as America's official World War I Museum and Memorial and located in downtown Kansas City, Mo., the National WWI Museum and Memorial inspires thought, dialogue and learning to make the experiences of the Great War era meaningful and relevant for present and future generations. To learn more, visit theworldwar.org.

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