



**THE THAYER**  
*Hotel*  
AT WEST POINT



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**The Thayer Hotel at West Point Honors Citi Managing Director John Tien,  
Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired), and First Asian-American Cadet First Captain  
in West Point's history**

The Historic Thayer Hotel at West Point dedicated a room to Colonel John Tien, U.S. Army (Retired), in a formal ceremony at the hotel today, July 9. Tien, the first Asian-American Cadet First Captain in West Point's 200-year history, is a Rhodes Scholar, three-time combat veteran in Iraq, and a former White House national security advisor, and now serves as a managing director for [Citi Retail Services](#). Through its [Room Dedication program](#), all of The Thayer Hotel guestrooms are being dedicated to West Point's most accomplished individuals, decorating the rooms with photos, awards and other memorabilia reflecting their significant accomplishments.

Tien, 52, graduated from West Point in 1987. His active duty military career spanned 24 years. He joined the global bank Citi in 2011 and has held a number of leadership roles. In addition to his current position with Citi Retail Services, he is the national co-head of the [Citi Salutes](#) program. Citi Salutes works with national and local organizations on critical issues such as housing, entrepreneurship, financial resilience and employment for veterans and active military members and their families. He also is chairman of the board for the military veterans non-profit The Mission Continues.

"I feel so honored to have been recognized with this room dedication, and I'm humbled to follow in the footsteps of some of the most distinguished graduates of the United States Military Academy," said Tien. "While I no longer directly lead our military men and women in uniform, I do feel like I am still able to serve them through my work with Citi's veterans-related community-support efforts, the Veterans on Wall Street organization, and in my role as the board chair of the veterans non-profit, The Mission Continues."

Tien's military awards and decorations include the General Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award, the Presidential Unit Citation, Bronze Star Medal, and Combat Action Badge. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Military Academy located at West Point, and a Master of Arts degree from Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes Scholar. With his



wife, Tracy, he is a senior advisor to the national military family non-profit, The Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation. John and Tracy reside in Atlanta and have two college-age daughters.

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### **About The Historic Thayer Hotel at West Point**

Seated on a hilltop in Upstate New York, with commanding views of the Hudson River and the United States Military Academy, The Historic Thayer Hotel at West Point is a national historic treasure. Visited by past U.S. Presidents, international leaders and celebrities alike, this hotel is like no other in the world with its captivating blend of over 200 years of military history combined with a full array of modern comforts and amenities including:

- 151 beautiful guestrooms and suites, including two magnificent Presidential Suites and 23 Executive Suites
- 10 elegant event venues, perfect for meetings, weddings and special events
- Three superb on-premises dining options, including the Zulu Time Rooftop Bar and Lounge
- Convenient access to exciting Hudson Valley attractions, including golfing, river cruises, hiking, skiing and West Point tours
- On-site customized executive leader development programs available through the Thayer Leader Development Group

The hotel's Room Dedication program builds awareness of West Point's most accomplished individuals, including: Pete Dawkins, Retired General officer and Heisman Trophy Winner; Buzz Aldrin, astronaut; Paul "Buddy" Bucha, Medal of Honor Recipient; Fidel Ramos, former President of Philippines (1992-1998). The rooms are dedicated to a distinguished graduate of West Point and the room's décor reflects the accomplishments of an individual who has made significant contributions to the nation and the world. Only the most accomplished and distinguished have a room at The Thayer Hotel named and decorated in their honor. All chosen honorees, selected by committee, are now part of the storied hotel's history.

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