

## **Lt. Col. Robert “Buzz” Patterson Biography**

Lieutenant Colonel Robert “Buzz” Patterson, United States Air Force (Retired), is the author of two *New York Times* best sellers, *Dereliction of Duty: The Eyewitness Account of How Bill Clinton Compromised America’s National Security* and *Reckless Disregard: How Liberal Democrats Undercut Our Military, Endanger Our Soldiers, and Jeopardize Our Security*. His new book, *War Crimes: The Left’s Campaign to Destroy the Military and Lose the War on Terror* will be released in January, 2007. He hosts radio show – “The Buzz Cut” - heard live every Tuesday at 1:00 PM EST/10:00 AM PST on [www.righttalk.com](http://www.righttalk.com) and is the Chief Operating Officer for the David Horowitz Freedom Center in Los Angeles, California.

Patterson served 20 years on active duty in the military with distinction and saw tours of duty as an Air Force pilot during combat operations in Grenada, Somalia, Rwanda, Haiti, and Bosnia.

From 1996 to 1998, Colonel Patterson was the Senior Military Aide to President Bill Clinton. During that time he was responsible for the President’s Emergency Satchel, otherwise known as the “Nuclear Football,” the black bag with the nation’s nuclear capability that accompanies the president at all times. In addition, Colonel Patterson was operational commander for all military units assigned to the White House, to include Air Force One, Marine One, Camp David, White House Transportation Agency and White House Mess.

Among his many military commendations, Patterson received the Defense Superior Service Medal for accomplishments while at the White House, and was awarded the Air Force Air Medal for flying fifteen combat support missions into then besieged Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina. He retired in 2001 to pursue a career as a commercial airline pilot and writer.

He is a frequent guest on talk shows across the country, including television appearances on Hannity and Colmes, Fox and Friends, The Dennis Miller Show, CSPAN’s Book Notes, Joe Scarborough, The John Kasich Show, Pat Robertson and MSNBC News. He’s also been heard on the radio shows of Sean Hannity, Michael Savage, G. Gordon Liddy, Bob Dornan, Bob Barr, Martha Zoller, and The Judicial Watch.

Patterson was born in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, is a graduate of Virginia Tech University.