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Former NFL player and author to speak at Virginia War Memorial

RICHMOND, Va. – CPT Robert P. McGovern, Ex-NFL player and Army Iraq veteran will discuss his interesting life and his nationally recognized book, *All American: Why I Believe in Football, God, and the War in Iraq*, Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the Virginia War Memorial, 621 S. Belvidere Street, Richmond.

After four seasons in the NFL, McGovern went to law school and became a narcotics prosecutor in the Manhattan district attorney's office in New York. He thought he was successful until he had the thought, "Hey, McGovern, when did you ever do anything for your community, or your country?" as he wrote in his book.

In 1997, he joined the U.S. Army Reserve and later began to rethink his plans after the September 11 terrorist attacks. Volunteering for active duty with the Army, he became a judge advocate general officer with the 18th Airborne Corps, the parent unit of the famed 82nd Airborne Division. As a military lawyer in Iraq, McGovern helped to prosecute over 400 terrorists in Iraqi courts.

He will be available for book signing after his presentation. A portion of the book sales will be donated to the education programs at the Virginia War Memorial.

This event is free, family friendly, and open to the public. Auditorium seating capacity is 200 with free parking for our guests.

For more information, please contact Candi Shelton at the Memorial, 804-786-2060 or cshelton@vawarmemorial.org.