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Mr. Speer began his Air Force career in 1971 as an enlisted administrative specialist in the Office of the Assistant Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

Discharged from active duty in 1975 he returned to the Air Force in 1977 as a civilian auditor with the Air Force Audit Agency (AFAA). During the next 20 years, he served as chief of the area audit office at Homestead Air Force Base, Fla., and Barksdale Air Force Base, La., followed by assignments as an audit manager and program manager within AFAA's Acquisition and Logistics Directorate at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He was then selected as chief of the systems audit region, Andrews Air Force Base, Md., and later, the deputy assistant auditor general for operations. In June 1994, Mr. Speer was appointed the assistant auditor general for financial support audits, March Air Reserve Base, Calif., and later, served as the assistant auditor general for field activities.