

Louis Bono

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Louis L. Bono, class of 1985, has been a United States Foreign Service officer since 1999. He has served in a number of locations overseas, including Iraq and Pakistan. He also served as an advisor to President Obama on European affairs and arranged the first meeting between Pope Francis and President Trump. He is currently serving as the Deputy Chief of Mission to the U.S. Embassy to the Holy See. He has received several State Department awards, including two for heroism and the Secretary of State's Expeditionary Service Award. He earned an M.S. from the National Defense University, a J.D. from Pace University School of Law, and a B.A. from Manhattanville College. Prior to joining the Foreign Service, he was an assistant attorney general in New York and served in the Army. He is currently a member of the Army Reserves and has served as an instructor at West Point. In 1996-97 he deployed to the Balkans as part of the stabilization force. He has also served as an advisor to a presidential candidate. He and his wife have four children.