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James Behrens is retired from his work as a Senior Technical Advisor for the U.S. Navy at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. He previously held positions as a Senior National Security Analyst for Department of Defense (DOD) Contractors, an Executive Assistant on numerous DOD, DOE, and DOS Interagency Working Groups, Scientific Technical Advisor for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, J-5, Strategic Plans & Policy, International Negotiations; Experimental Nuclear Physicist at the National Bureau of Standards, Gaithersburg (1978–1989), Physicist & Graduate Student, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (1970–1978), and Lab Assistant at the University of Illinois Betatron Lab (1968–1970).



A member of the American Nuclear Society (ANS) since 1978, Behrens has held numerous leadership positions including serving as a previous Board Member of ANS national in addition to chairman positions in the Isotopes & Radiation (IRD) and Nuclear Nonproliferation Policy (NNPD) divisions, the Washington, DC Section, and other ANS National Committees. He is the Honors & Awards Chairman in NNPD and Chairman of the Eisenhower Medal subcommittee of the National Honors & Awards Committee.

Behrens has done extensive research into his family genealogy and has written seven books on this copyrighted with the U.S. Library of Congress. His most recent book entitled, "*The Path Traveled, A Special Collection of the Lifetime Works and Achievements of James William Behrens*" was self-published in 2018.

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