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## WEBINAR GLOSSARY

**al-Qaeda:** An international Islamist extremist terrorist network responsible for the 9/11 attacks. al-Qaeda is responsible for multiple terrorist attacks since their founding by Osama bin Laden and others in the 1980s.

**“A” ring of the Pentagon:** The Pentagon is a five-sided building made up of five rings labeled A - E from inside to outside.

**City Hall:** The seat of government for New York City, housing offices for the Mayor and other key city agencies. Located in lower Manhattan a few blocks from the World Trade Center.

**Compassion:** To understand and care about the suffering of others.

**Counterterrorism:** Political or military activities that help prevent or stop terrorism.

**Debris:** The remains of something broken down or destroyed.

**Engine Company 74:** A New York City Fire Department (FDNY) firehouse located in the Upper West Side section of Manhattan, a few miles north of the World Trade Center.

**Engine truck:** A truck used by a fire department that carries fire pumps, hoses, and water.

**FDNY:** Fire Department of New York.

**Fire wall:** A wall or partition in a building designed to prevent the spread of fire.

**Ground Zero:** The World Trade Center site and surrounding area after the collapse of the Twin Towers. The area was filled with 1.8 million tons of debris.

**Hijack:** To take control by force.

**Hudson River:** A major river that flows near the World Trade Center, where it separates New York and New Jersey.

**Liberty Medal:** The highest civilian honor that a New York resident can receive. The medal is awarded to individuals for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers.

**Lower Manhattan:** The southernmost part of Manhattan; it is a hub of business, culture, and government in New York City.

**New York Post:** A daily newspaper in New York City.

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**Pentagon:** The headquarters for the U.S. Department of Defense; it serves as a symbol of American military power.

**Port Authority Police Department (PAPD):** The law enforcement arm for the Port Authority, an agency run by New York and New Jersey, that oversees many facilities shared by the two states, including airports, bridges, tunnels, and the World Trade Center. 37 PAPD officers were killed on 9/11.

**Resilience:** The process of adapting well in the face of adversity, trauma, tragedy, threats or significant sources of stress.

**Rig:** Another name for “truck.”

**Terrorist:** A person who uses violence and fear, especially against civilians, to force people or countries into taking a certain action.

**Tunnel Vision:** The inability to see things outside of your immediate line of sight.

**“The Pile”:** The term used during the nine-month Rescue and Recovery period to refer to the debris pile left by the collapse of the Twin Towers.

**U.S. Capitol:** This building is home to the U.S. Congress and is the seat of the legislative branch of the federal government.

**West Street:** A road next to the World Trade Center site.

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**NEW YORK CITY MAP**

- 1: Manhattan
- 2: Brooklyn
- 3: Queens
- 4: Bronx
- 5: Staten Island

Location in brown represents JFK airport.

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**PRE-9/11 WORLD TRADE CENTER MAP**

- 1 WTC: North Tower
- 2 WTC: South Tower