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WHIPPLE AND DRUIN EARN NJIT AWARDS

NEWARK, N.J. -- General William Whipple of Princeton and Melvin L. Druin of Freehold each received the New Jersey Institute of Technology Trustees Award at NJIT's commencement exercises Thursday, May 23. The award is presented by the Institute's Board of Trustees on the basis of distinguished achievement or service in the areas of higher education, industry, commerce, the professions, or government.

General Whipple is administrator of the Water Supply and Watershed Management Adminstration in the Division of Water Resources of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

During his military career, in which he rose to the rank of Brigadier General, General Whipple served as a member of the Pollution Control Advisory Board and executive with the Office Chief of Engineers. Although his first civilian assignment was as chief engineer for the New York World's Fair, most of his career has been focused on water quality and quantity.

Dr. Druin, an NJIT alumnus and former faculty member, is director of packaging technology at Campbell Soup Company. He is also a member of the Community Advisory Board of NJIT's Educational Opportunity Program, which helps disadvantaged teenagers pursue higher education.

A chemical engineer, he is a specialist in the fields of structure, property relationships, graphite fibers, microporous polymer films and engineering resins.