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### **Academic Appointments**

University of North Carolina School of Law  
Clinical Associate Professor of Law, 2020 – Present  
Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor of Law, 2018 – 2020  
Director, Military and Veterans Law Clinic  
Doctrinal Courses Taught: National Security Law, Law of Armed Conflict

The Judge Advocate General's School, U.S. Army, Charlottesville, Virginia  
Associate Professor, Administrative and Civil Law Department, 2010 – 2013  
Chief, Client Services Branch, 2011 – 2013  
Subjects Taught: Wounded Warrior Law, Veterans Law, Health Care Law,  
Consumer Law, Client Counseling, Leadership, Trial Advocacy

### **Education**

United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas  
Master of Military Art and Science (M.M.A.S.), 2014  
Field: Conflict, Security, and Development

The Judge Advocate General's School, United States Army, Charlottesville, Virginia  
Master of Laws (LL.M.), 2010  
Field: Military Law, Criminal Law Specialty  
Honors: Honor Graduate (class rank 3 of 113)

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, North Carolina  
Juris Doctor (J.D.), 2003  
Journal Position: Senior Staff Member, North Carolina Journal of International  
Law and Commercial Regulation

Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), 1998  
Majors: Politics and History  
Honors: Cum Laude; Distinguished Military Graduate, Wake Forest University  
U.S. Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (AROTC)

## **Selected Professional Military Education**

Collateral Damage Estimation Certification Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma (2014)

Operational Law of Armed Conflict Course, The Judge Advocate General's School, U.S. Army (2014)

Criminal Law Advocacy Course, The Judge Advocate General's School, U.S. Army, Charlottesville, Virginia (2005) (Distinguished Graduate, class rank 1)

162nd Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course, The Judge Advocate General's School, U.S. Army, Charlottesville, Virginia (2003) (Distinguished Graduate, class rank 1 of 82)

Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Officer Course, Fort Eustis, Virginia (1999) (Distinguished Graduate, class rank 1 of 13)

Transportation Officer Basic Course, U.S. Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Virginia (1998) (Distinguished Graduate, class rank 1 of 60)

Air Assault School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia (1995)

## **Publications**

### **Book Chapters**

MILITARY DISCHARGE UPGRADE LEGAL PRACTICE MANUAL (2021) (contributing author, Chapter 1, Introduction to Military Structures and Military Law).

INT'L AND OPERATIONAL LAW DEP'T, THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GEN.'S LEGAL CTR & SCH., U.S. ARMY, OPERATIONAL LAW HANDBOOK (contributing author, 2011 – 2013, Chapter 21: Legal Assistance in Operations).

THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GEN.'S LEGAL CTR & SCH., U.S. ARMY, COMMANDER'S LEGAL HANDBOOK (contributing author, 2012 – 2013, Chapter 41, Behavioral Health Evaluations; Chapter 42, Command Access to a Soldier's Protected Health Information (HIPAA)).

THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GEN.'S LEGAL CTR & SCH., CONSUMER LAW DESKBOOK (JA 265) U.S. ARMY (2010 – 2013).

THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GEN.'S LEGAL CTR & SCH., U.S. ARMY, GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW DESKBOOK (contributing author, 2010 – 2012, contributions throughout multiple chapters).

## **Law Review Articles**

*Restoring Faith in Military Justice*, 55 CONN. L. REV. 77 (2022) (with E. Morales).

*Improving UCMJ Reform*, 222 MIL. L. REV. 1 (2014).

*Beyond "T.B.D.": Understanding VA's Evaluation of a Former Servicemember's Benefit Eligibility Following Involuntary or Punitive Discharge from the Armed Forces*, 214 MIL. L. REV. 1 (2012) (with E. Seamone & L. Rogall).

*Target Analysis: How to Properly Strike a Deployed Servicemember's Right to Civilian Defense Counsel*, ARMY LAW., Nov. 2010, at 7.

*Ford v. Garcia: A Puzzling Fusion of the Command Responsibility Doctrine with the Torture Victim Protection Act*, 28 N.C. J. INT'L L. & COMM. REG. 701 (2003).

## **Professional Experience**

U.S. Army Officer, May 1998 – September 2018 (Retired rank of Lieutenant Colonel)  
Judge Advocate General's Corps, 2003 – 2018  
Funded Legal Education Program (FLEP), 2000 – 2003  
Transportation Corps, 1998 – 2000

Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Africa / Southern European Task Force (USARAF/SETAF), Caserma Ederle, Vicenza, Italy, 2016 – 2018

Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, III Corps and Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve (CJTF-OIR), Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, and Baghdad, Iraq, 2015 – 2016

Chief, International and Operational Law Division, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, III Corps and Fort Hood, Fort Hood, Texas, 2014 – 2015

Chief, Military Justice, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) and Multi-National Division – Baghdad, Fort Hood, Texas, and Baghdad, Iraq, 2007 – 2009

Senior Defense Counsel, United States Army Field Artillery Center and Fort Sill, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 2005 – 2007

Trial Counsel, 214th Field Artillery Brigade, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 2004 – 2005

Legal Assistance Attorney, 212th Field Artillery Brigade and United States Army Field Artillery Center and Fort Sill, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 2004

Executive Officer and Platoon Leader, 7th Transportation Group (Composite), Fort Eustis, Virginia, 1998 – 2000

### **Selected Presentations**

Law of Armed Conflict

University of North Carolina School of Law / University of Tübingen Exchange Program, University of Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany, July 2024

The Present and Future of Military Justice

Wake Forest Journal of Law & Policy, Fall 2023 Symposium, November 2023 (panelist and moderator)

Military Support to Disaster Relief Operations and Pandemics

North Carolina School of Law Festival of Legal Learning, February 2020; February 2021 (panel member and moderator)

Veterans Law Update; Wounded Warriors and Department of Veterans Affairs Benefits Eligibility

Graduate Course, Veterans Law and Retirement Planning Elective, The Judge Advocate General's School, U.S. Army, each April, 2020 – 2024

Military and Veterans Law Section of the State Bar of Texas, 2015 Continuing Legal Education Course, Texas Tech School of Law, Lubbock, Texas, February 2015

Targeting the Islamic State: The Targeting Process, Nonlethal Targeting, Intelligence Support to Targeting, and the Collateral Damage Estimation Methodology

Military Operations Course, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, August 2018

The Targeting Process and the Legal Considerations of Targeting Enemy Revenue and Revenue Generating Systems

U.S. Army Africa/Southern European Task Force Leader Development Program, Caserma Ederle, Vicenza, Italy, December 2016

“Understanding Character of Discharge and Benefits Eligibility Issues”

North Carolina Central University School of Law Veterans Law Course  
Durham, North Carolina, each semester since Spring 2021; September 2018

United States Army Trial Defense Service Training  
Fort Belvoir, Virginia, April 2023; April 2024  
San Antonio, Texas, August 2023  
Fort Drum, New York (remote), December 2020  
Fort Bragg, North Carolina (remote), November 2020  
Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, December 2017

United States Marine Corps Regional Legal Community Training  
Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, May 2024 (remote)  
Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, December 2019

North Carolina State Bar Legal Assistance for Military Personnel (LAMP)  
Committee Continuing Legal Education Course, University of North Carolina School of Law, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, November 2019

United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, Twelfth Judicial Conference  
Washington, DC, April 2013

United States Board of Veterans Appeals, Grand Rounds Training  
Washington, DC, August 2012

“Veterans Service Organizations and VA Character of Discharge Cases”

National Jewish War Veterans Policy Committee Meeting  
Crystal City, Virginia, February 2013

“Understanding the Consequences of Involuntary Separation on Veterans’ Benefits for Ex-Servicemembers”

The Judge Advocate General’s Leadership Professional Development Program (LPDP) (video), December 2012

Forces Command (FORSCOM) Staff Judge Advocate Teleconference  
December 2012

“Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and Uniformed Services Reemployment Rights Act”

Ohio Military Reserve Continuing Legal Education Conference, Port Clinton, Ohio, March 2011

American Bar Association Legal Assistance for Military Personnel (LAMP)  
Committee Continuing Legal Education Conference  
Jacksonville, Florida, March 2011

### **Bar Memberships**

Supreme Court of the United States of America, 2010

United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 2010

United States Army Court of Criminal Appeals, 2014

United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, 2010

State of North Carolina, 2003

### **Selected Awards**

Legion of Merit, July 2018

Bronze Star Medal (Operation Iraqi Freedom), January 2009

Defense Meritorious Service Medal (Operation Inherent Resolve), March 2016

Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters)

National Defense Service Medal

Operation Iraqi Freedom Campaign Medal (with 2 Bronze Service Stars)

Global War on Terror Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terror Service Medal

Shoulder Sleeve Insignia for Former Wartime Service (III Corps; 4th Infantry Division)  
and Overseas Service Bars (4)

North Carolina Bar Association Kirk Warner Award for Distinguished Service to  
Military and Veterans, January 2022

Association of the Bar of the City of New York Award for Trial Advocacy,  
September 2005

American Bar Association Legal Assistance for Military Personnel (LAMP) Committee  
Outstanding Legal Assistance Student Award, December 2003

American Bar Association Award for Professional Merit, December 2003