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### Summary

Military Biography Web Link:

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## Experience

Defense Finance and Accounting Service General Counsel December 2013 - Present (9 years 9 months) Indianapolis, Indiana

A member of the Department of Defense Senior Executive Service. Serves as the chief legal advisor of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service and determines the agency's final legal position on all matters pertaining to the development and execution of DFAS programs, systems and operations. Advises the DFAS Director and senior leadership on laws, regulations, and policy that may affect the DFAS mission and function. Reviews proposed legislation for its potential impact on pay and entitlements and other DFAS programs and operations. Provides executive leadership and direction to the DFAS personnel responsible for legal advisory services within the agency. Represents the agency within all branches of the Federal government in support of the Department of Defense and its customers. Provides executive leadership and direction to a professional and technical legal staff.

#### Air Force Materiel Command, United States Air Force Staff Judge Advocate August 2008 - February 2013 (4 years 7 months) Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, OH

Brigadier General Dwight Creasy was the Staff Judge Advocate, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He was the principal legal advisor to the AFMC commander and staff. He was responsible for all legal services provided to an organization with approximately 83,000 personnel who manage \$53 billion annually in research, development, test and evaluation while providing the acquisition management services and logistics support required to develop, procure, and sustain Air Page 1 of 7 Force weapon systems. He oversaw approximately 250 attorneys and 110 paralegals at 18 locations.

The general has served as staff judge advocate at the base, center, numbered air force, sub-unified, major command and joint combatant command levels. He has served in various capacities as assistant staff judge advocate, circuit trial counsel and contract litigator at the Contract Law Center and Headquarters U.S. Air Force. He was the military assistant and special counsel to two Air Force General Counsels.

Air Education and Training Command Staff Judge Advocate July 2005 - July 2008 (3 years 1 month) Randolph AFB San Antonio TX

Colonel Dwight D. Creasy was the Staff Judge Advocate, Headquarters, Air Education and Training Command (AETC), Randolph AFB, Texas. AETC is responsible for recruiting and accessing Air Force personnel and providing military, technical, and flying training. The command includes two numbered Air Forces, Air University, Air Force Recruiting Service and Wilford Hall Medical Center. AETC consists of 13 bases, 66,000 active duty members and 15,000 civilians. As the Staff Judge Advocate, he was the principal legal adviser to the AETC Commander and staff on all legal issues involving military justice, civil law, claims, fiscal law, environmental law, contracts, labor law, legal assistance programs, operational law, and all other legal matters. Colonel Creasy provided professional guidance and policy oversight to over 400 legal personnel assigned to the command.

United States Strategic Command Staff Judge Advocate February 2004 - July 2005 (1 year 6 months) Offutt AFB Omaha NE

Principal legal advisor to the Commander. Supervised jointly-staffed office responsible for provision of legal support to USSTRATCOM staff. Principal point of contact for legal advisors to Chairman, JCS, all Combatant Commands SJAs, DoD and Service General Counsels, and SJAs, of subordinate Navy and Air Force commands. Principal advisor on operational law, civil law, disciplinary matters, procurement law and all other legal matters affecting the Command. Advises on Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC) and Rules of Engagement (ROE). Responsible for Command's ethics program. Member of Command Council, commander's senior advisory body.

Air Force Special Operations Command Staff Judge Advocate September 2001 - February 2004 (2 years 6 months) Hurlburt Field AFB FL

Chief legal advisor to the Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command who is the General Court-Martial Convening Authority and Commander of 10,500 active duty and reserve personnel performing special operations missions worldwide. Provided legal counsel to AFSOC commanders and HQ directors on all aspects of military justice, adverse administrative actions, procurement, fiscal law, ethical standards, aircraft accident investigations, line of duty determinations, reports of survey, and other civil matters. Provided legal counsel on international and operations law, including law of armed conflict, status of forces, rules of engagement, international agreements, force deployment, and oversight of compartmented programs.

United States Forces, Japan Staff Judge Advocate September 1998 - September 2001 (3 years 1 month) Yokota AB Japan

Dual-hatted as the personal legal advisor to the Commander, United States Forces, Japan (USFJ) and Fifth Air Force (5AF). Provided supervisory legal guidance to joint command composed of over 45,000 military personnel located at 15 major facilities. Maintained liaison with Japanese judicial and prosecutorial officials, and members of the Japanese Air Self Defense Force. Directly supervised 5AF legal staff and functionally supervised three subordiante legal offices. Oversaw the Tri-Service Claims Office which is resopnsible for adjudicating claims for and against the U.S. and its personnel in Japan, and personally reviewed all claims adjudications. Legal advisor for all inspector general activities and to the general court-martial convening authority.

Air Warfare Center Staff Judge Advocate September 1996 - September 1998 (2 years 1 month) Nellis AFB NV

Senior legal advisor to the Headquarters Air Warfare Center Commander. Legal counsel to the General and Special Court-Martial Convening Authorities. Responsible for U.S. Magistrate program, military justice, administrative discharges, civilian employee labor disputes, land use and water rights, untility regulation, environmental law, aircraft accident investigations, government contract law, preventive law and legal assistance programs, claims for and against the government, and provision of litigation support to the U.S. Attorney. Supervised law center staff of 43 military and civilian personnel including 6 reserve judge advocates and 3 reserve paralegals. Standards of conduct counselor.

Office of the General Counsel, United States Air Force Military Assistant and Special Counsel June 1993 - August 1996 (3 years 3 months) Pentagon DC

Confidant to the General Counsel. Under the guidance of the General Counsel, managed the day-to-day operation and administration of an office consisting of 54 attorneys and 20 administrative personnel. Advised the General Counsel on the entire spectrum of legal issues coming before the Secretary and Under Secretary of the Air Force. Served as liaison to the offce of the Judge Advocate General.

HQ Air Force Legal Services Agency Trial Attorney November 1992 - May 1993 (7 months) Rosslyn VA

Trial attorney supporting the Department of Justice in all federal contract litigation involving the Air Force. Cases involved claims and disputes arising from contract activities, bankruptcies, collections and other activities associated with Air Force contract and fiscal matters. Prepared pleadings, motions, litigation reports and other support for Department of Justice and U. S. Attorneys throughout the country.

35th Fighter Wing Staff Judge Advocate December 1990 - November 1992 (2 years) George AFB, CA

Legal advisor to the wing commander, combat support group commander, 16 squadron commanders, and 5 tenant units. Responsible for supervision and administration of military justice system; claims program; civil, environmental, and contract law; legal assistance and preventive law, and legal office administration. Oversaw staff of six attorneys, eight paralegals, and four civilians. Ensured claims approval of up to \$40,000 per claim. Monitored processing of approximately 1,250 claims processed yearly. Conducted

courts-martial and administrative boards; reviewd, rendered advice, and recommended disposition of such proceedings and other matters. Oversaw all legal issues after Congressionally mandated Base Realignment and Closure Commission recommended closure. Included advice on criminal and civil jurisdiction realignment and real property and government property transfer.

HQ AF Contract Law Center 2 years 7 months

Chief, International Logistics Division June 1989 - December 1990 (1 year 7 months) Wright-Patterson AFB OH

Senior Counsel to Commander, International Logisitics Center. Responsible for resolution of all legal issues dealing with Foreign Military Sales and Security Assistance Programs. Advised all HQ AF Logistics Command acquisition functions including Distribution, Materiel Management, Contracting and Manufacturing and the Acquisition Logistics Division on acquisition policy, contract administration and dispute resolution. Retained resposibility for several ASBCA cases for which he was assigned counsel while in the prior position of litigation counsel in the Directorate of Contract Appeals. Advised the Wright-Patterson Contracting Center and defended bid protests.

Deputy Chief Trial Division A June 1988 - June 1989 (1 year 1 month) Wright Patterson AFB OH

Represented the Air Force in defense against contractor claims and in asserting Government claims before the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals (ASBCA). Litigated extremely complex cases involving highly technical legal issues and high dollar value claims. Administered, in the absence of the chief, a docket of mare than 140 cases valued at over \$26 million; supervised 6 trial attorneys and 4 staff members; and was responsible for advising one Air Logistics Center and 33 Air Force bases ina 25-state region concerning contract litigation.

Eastern Space and Missile Center (Air Force Systems Command) Chief, Contracts and Patents Division July 1985 - June 1988 (3 years) Patrick AFB FL

Headed up the division responsible for the legality of all procurement actions at HQ, Eastern Space and Missile Center (ESMC), including the \$160 million annual contract for operation of the Eastern Test Range and complex research and development contracts for the AF Technical Applications Cneter. Primary attorney on Complementary Expendable Launch Vehicle and Commercialization of Launch Activities programs. Rendered legal opinions on all contract claims, protests, and court actions. Advised on patents and copyright, Standards of Conduct, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act matters. Supervised two attorneys and a patents administrator. Conducted discovery and depositions in support of civil litigation and served as trial counsel in courts-martial.

Air Force Legal Services Center Circuit Trial Counsel May 1981 - July 1984 (3 years 3 months) Rhein Main AB Germany

Represented the Government in pretrial investigations under the Uniform Code of Military Justice and prosecuted the most complex and serious general (felony) and special (misdemeanor) courts-martial in the Sixth Circuit at 29 bases throughout the European theater. Prosecuted significant drug, sexual assault and murder cases. Litigated 100+ felony courts-martial in a 3 year period. Rendered legal opinions and advice to base legal offices regarding preparation and trial of courts-martial. Provided training to base trial counsel. Traveled between 215 and 310 days per year.

4756 Air Base Group Chief of Military Justice and Civil Law June 1979 - May 1981 (2 years) Tyndall AFB FL

As Chief, Military Justice, supervised the administration of actions under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Provided written opinions and oral advice regarding disciplinary actions regarding the sufficiency of evidence to support nonjudicial punishment under Art 15 UCMJ. Made recommendations to commanders and convening authorities whether court-martial is appropriate. Supervised military justice section to insure compliance with rigid time standards. Personally prosecuted approximately 25 courts-martial and additionally served as government counsel in discharge proceedings. As Chief, Civil Law, organized and managed the claims function including personnel claims, carrier recovery claims, claims under the Military Claims Act and Federal Tort Claims Act. Also included property damge tort claims in favor of the AF and tory hospital recovery claims. rendered opinions on labor law matters and supervised the legal assistance and preventive law programs, interpreted federal and state laws and regulations and advised commanders on same. Counsel on formal investigations.

## Education

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The George Washington University Law School LL.M, Government Procurement Law · (1988)

University of Tennessee College of Law Juris Doctorate · (1976 - 1978)

University of Tennessee-Knoxville - College of Business Administration Bachelor of Science, Transportation · (1972 - 1976)