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Summary

Navy JAG Commander with extensive trial and appellate experience, both as a prosecutor and as a defense counsel. Successful death-penalty experience at trial and on appeal. Quick study skilled in handling multiple complex, high-visibility cases simultaneously. Seasoned litigation manager, supervised dozens of attorneys and oversaw over hundred contested cases at trial and on appeal. One of only 17 awarded the Navy's highest litigation qualification.

Trial Experience

- Tried 23 contested jury trials, 32 contested cases as prosecutor and defense attorney.
- Hand-selected to prosecute three high-visibility Iraqi detainee-abuse cases of the highest national interest involving Navy SEALs with sustained international media attention and congressional interest.
- Successfully defended double capital murder case, the first capital case tried in the Department of the Navy since 1996, a five-week long contested jury retrial resulting in a life sentence.
- 17 contested employment board hearings, including high-profile cases such as astronaut case with national media interest and overseas base commander.
- Extensive felony experience including attempted murder with insanity defense, multi-victim child-sexual abuse, multi-victim multi-defendant rape, financial fraud, drug offenses, aggravated assault, larceny, conspiracy, burglary, obstruction of justice, and child pornography.
- Awarded Navy's top Military Justice Litigation Qualification of Expert.

Appellate Experience

- 9 oral arguments before appellate courts, second-chaired 16 oral arguments.
- Filed 7 pleadings with U.S. Supreme Court.
- Represented 126 clients.
- Extensive felony experience including 7 murder cases, rape, child-sexual abuse, multi-million dollar financial fraud, conspiracy, child pornography, aggravated assault, and drug offenses.
- Argued and prevailed in setting aside two death sentences.
- Argued and won multiple precedent-setting cases on such issues as capital-juror selection, right to privacy on a government computer, and the right to present a defense in a capital case.

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Litigation Management

- As senior prosecutor, supervised and trained 23 prosecutors and the prosecution of 107 trials and 65 pretrial hearings.
- As Deputy Director of Appellate Defense, supervised and trained 19 active-duty and 40 reserve appellate attorneys.
- Oversaw appellate division-wide effort to examine over 100 cases involving DNA examiner's fraud and lead efforts to reduce post-trial delay. Achieved significant reduction in appellate case backlog and processing times.

Education

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Chicago, IL, May 1998

- Juris Doctor, with highest distinction
- Order of the Coif, Top 9%
- Trial Advocacy Team, semi-finalist ATLA competition

Naval War College, Newport, RI, May 2008

- Master of Arts, National Security and Strategic Studies, with distinction

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, May 1995

- Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, minor in Religious Studies

Employment

- Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy (1998-Present)
- Instructor, Naval Justice School Detachment Norfolk (2010-Present)
- Senior Prosecutor, Norfolk, VA (2009-2010)
- Senior Prosecutor, Europe, Africa, and Southwest Asia (2008-2009)
- Chief Legal Advisor, Naval Air Station Sigonella, Sicily (2006-2009)
- Appellate Defense Counsel, Washington, DC (2003-2006)
- Prosecutor, Great Lakes, IL (2000-2003)
- Defense Counsel, Great Lakes, IL (1998-2000)

Bar Admissions

Illinois, Virginia (pending), Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals,
Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, U.S. Supreme Court