

COURSES MANAGED BY THE OFFICE OF THE DEAN

5-27-C20: Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course

Length: 10.5 weeks

Scope: This course provides new Judge Advocates with the foundation for success as a member of the JAGC Team, imbued with the Warrior Ethos, and prepared to deliver mission-focused legal services to the Army and the Nation. It accomplishes this by providing students with a baseline of knowledge in our core practice areas (Military Justice, Administrative & Civil Law, Contract & Fiscal Law, International & Operational Law, Legal Assistance, and Claims) so that new Judge Advocates are qualified to immediately perform mission-focused legal services in a garrison or deployed environment. The course builds the officer's pride in the Army and the Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAGC); builds a cohesive class to demonstrate principles of teamwork and leadership; builds and improves physical fitness; and inculcates the Warrior Ethos.

Prerequisites: Commissioned officers who are members in good standing of a state bar and are being accessed for appointment into the JAGC or who have been appointed into the JAGC, but have not previously attended JAOBC. Commissioned officers who are detailed to the JAGC. Officers must attend the Direct Commissioned Course (DCC) at Fort Benning prior to reporting to JAOBC.

5-27-C22: Judge Advocate Officer Graduate Course (LL.M. Program)

Length: 41 weeks

Scope: This course prepares career military attorneys for future service in senior Judge Advocate positions. The course requirements equal or exceed those of graduate programs at other law schools. Students who successfully complete all Graduate Course requirements for a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree receive an LL.M. in Military Law. The course is conducted over an academic year totaling 10 months during which students must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 32 credit hours of coursework. Core courses consist of 22 credit hours in criminal law; administrative and civil law; legal assistance; international and operational law; government contract and fiscal law; professionalism development; and professional writing. Electives consist of 10 credit hours (including writing requirements).

Prerequisites: Commissioned career officers of the armed forces whose branch is the Judge Advocate General's Corps, or another service's equivalent, in their fifth to eighth year of active commissioned service; Army civilian attorneys; and selected international student officers. Army students are selected for attendance by The Judge Advocate General, U.S. Army.

5F-F1: Senior Officer Legal Orientation Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course acquaints senior Army officers in, or selected for, command with the legal responsibilities and issues commonly faced by installation, brigade combat team, and battalion commanders, and by those commanders assuming special court-martial convening authority. Administrative and civil law topics include labor-management relations; law of federal employment; equal employment opportunity; adverse administrative actions; administrative investigations; legal assistance;

retirement considerations and survivor benefits; administrative remedies; family law;;; consumer law; medical disability separations and veterans benefits; command authority; transgender policy; government information practices; standards of conduct; and handling of sexual harassment complaints. Criminal law topics include an overview of the military justice system, search and seizure, , nonjudicial punishment, unlawful command influence, improper senior-subordinate relationships and fraternization; sentencing and corrections, digital media and the law; and the Sexual Assault Prevention & Response program. The instruction emphasizes the options and responsibilities of convening authorities before and after trial in military justice matters, including theories and effects of sentencing. International and operational law topics include responsibilities of command and staff under the law of war and national implementing policy, rules of engagement, international agreements, cyber law, and international human rights law. Contract and fiscal law topics include an overview of fiscal law with an emphasis on current issues affecting commanders; contract law; procurement fraud; and funding issues for military operations.

Prerequisites:

1. **ACTIVE COMPONENT Officers selected as Brigade Commanders and Battalion Commanders who exercise Special Court-martial Convening Authority** attend in MTSA-funded Army seats controlled by HRC. Beginning in FY17, Attendance by AC officer selected for command is mandatory and is reported to the VCSA. Officers in this category should go through their branch manager at HRC to obtain a quota once they are announced on the Command Select List (CSL).
2. **RESERVE COMPONENT Officers selected as Brigade Commanders and Battalion Commanders who exercise Special Court-martial Convening Authority MAY** attend if funding is available in FY17 & 18. However, they will not be REQUIRED to attend until FY19. RC Seats are controlled by USARC or NGB.
3. **Officers currently in command MAY attend on a space-available basis.** However, this attendance will most likely be at unit expense because of the need to fill HRC-controlled seats with officers on the CSL.
4. **Battalion Commanders who do NOT exercise Special Court-martial Convening Authority MAY attend on a space-available basis, but must do so at unit expense.** These officers should contact the course manager at TJAGLCS. Part of the process will include completing the application which is linked on the web site.

5F-F1-CSM: Command Sergeant Major Legal Orientation Course

Length: 3 1/2 Days

Scope: This course prepares Brigade level or equivalent Command Sergeants Major to understand the critical legal topics that impact on their duties at their level of command. Topics will include military justice (including unlawful command influence and handling sexual assault cases), standards of conduct, military personnel law, civilian personnel law, investigations, and civil legal matters commonly affecting Soldiers, such as family support and consumer protection law.

Prerequisites: Brigade level or equivalent Command Sergeants Major or those selected for Brigade level or equivalent Command Sergeant Major billets may submit an application for attendance through the application which is linked on our website.

Previous attendance: Individuals who have completed this course within the preceding two years are not eligible to attend.

5F-F2: General Officer Legal Orientation Course

Length: 1 day

Scope: This course acquaints general courts-martial convening authorities and other general officers with the legal responsibilities and issues commonly faced by division, installation, and other major activity commanders. This course is tailored to the specific needs of each attendee. The full range of military law topics is available for selection. All general officers deploying should attend this course. Topics selected will focus on those areas needed in theater.

Prerequisites: United States Army active duty general officers or promotable colonels. Attendance is arranged through the General Officer Management Office, (703) 614-0234.

5F-F3: Reserve Component General Officers Legal Orientation Course

Length: 2 1/2 days

Scope: This course instructs senior U.S. Army Reserve and Army National Guard officers on the legal responsibilities and issues they will encounter as senior leaders in their respective components. Administrative and civil law topics include standards of conduct, labor-management relations, administrative investigations, deployment claims, financial liability investigations, survivor benefits, mobilization legal assistance, post-mobilization family support, consumer law, government information practices, equal opportunity issues, Uniform Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, and adverse administrative actions for Reserve Component Soldiers. Criminal law topics include search and seizure, confessions, nonjudicial punishment, improper senior-subordinate relationships and fraternization, Sexual Harassment / Assault Response and Prevention program, and unlawful command influence. Emphasis is placed on the options and responsibilities of convening authorities in military justice matters, including theories and effects of sentencing. International and operational law topics include law of war, status of forces agreements and other stationing agreements, military support and aid to civil authorities, and rules of engagement. Contract and fiscal law topics include an overview of fiscal law with an emphasis on current issues affecting commanders; funding issues for military operations; deployment contracting; procurement fraud overview, and competitive sourcing and privatization updates.

Prerequisites: Reserve Component officers in the rank of brigadier general and above and their chiefs of staff. Attendance is coordinated through the U.S. Army Reserve, (703) 601-0911 or the National Guard Bureau, (703) 607-3642.

5F-F5: Congressional Staff Legal Orientation Course

Length: 2-3 days

Scope: This course is conducted as a Congressional Delegation visit in coordination with the Office of the Chief Legislative Liaison, Department of the Army. The course presents key Congressional staff members with military interpretation and policy implementation of legislation. Problem areas and Soldier impacts are highlighted. The course is conducted in seminar format so that there is direct discussion between the Judge Advocates advising commanders on legislation and the staffers that helped to write the legislation.

Prerequisites: BY INVITATION ONLY. Congressional Staff personnel, Policy proponents from the Office of the Judge Advocate General, and members of the OCLL staff only.

5F-F40: Brigade Leader Course

Length: 3 1/2 Days

Scope: This course prepares pre-Graduate Course Captains, and their senior noncommissioned officer (NCO), for service in combat, support, or separate Brigades. The course will also be useful to prepare for Command Judge Advocate or Post Judge Advocate positions. Topics will include updates on legal topics that are particularly applicable in Brigades. Leadership, staff processes, and personnel management will also be discussed. In addition to lecture, seminars, and practical work, several panels are planned for students to hear from experienced Brigade Judge Advocates as well as a Brigade Commander.

Prerequisites: This course is by INVITATION ONLY and is limited to military attorneys in the grade of O3 and below, select USAR O4's and below, and senior Paralegal NCO's serving in or pending assignment to a Brigade legal office (or equivalent) as the Brigade Judge Advocate or Senior Paralegal NCO respectively. Attorneys must be graduates of the Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course (5-27-C20). All students wishing to attend must fill out the course application on the LCS web site. The Course Manager will review and approve / disapprove all Judge Advocate applications. Paralegal NCO applications will be reviewed by the Chair of the Legal Administrator and Paralegal Studies Department, in consultation with the CSM, TJAGLCS for approval / disapproval.

Previous attendance: Individuals who have completed this course within the preceding two years or who are graduates of the Judge Advocate Officer Graduate Course (5-27-C22) are not eligible to attend this course.

5F-F52: Staff Judge Advocate Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course educates newly selected Staff Judge Advocates, Deputy Staff Judge Advocates, and similar leaders in legal, leadership, and management topics to enable them to effectively lead a military legal office.

Prerequisites: Active duty and Reserve Component field grade Army Judge Advocates whose actual or anticipated assignment is as a newly assigned Staff Judge Advocate, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, or similar leader. Attendance at this course is by INVITATION ONLY. Selection for attendance is by The Judge Advocate General, U.S. Army.

5F-F52-S: Staff Judge Advocate Team Leadership Course

Length: 3 days

Scope: The conduct of this course is currently suspended by the Department of the Army due to budget constraints. This course provides information on Army organizations and systems which support Soldiers and family members. It fosters communication, problem solving, and leadership skills in attendees. Subjects may include, but are not limited to, conflict management, stress management, time management, group dynamics, volunteer management, situational leadership, crisis intervention, and discussion by experienced Staff Judge Advocates and spouses on JAG office/community issues.

Prerequisites: This course is by invitation only. Attendees must have a spouse attending the Staff Judge Advocate Course (5F-F52), which is by invitation only.

5F-F55: Judge Advocate Officer Advanced Course (JAOAC) (Phase II)

Length: 2 weeks

Scope: This course is taught annually and serves as the final phase of the Judge Advocate Officer Advanced Course for Reserve Component Judge Advocates. Officers receive instruction in all core Judge Advocate practice areas to prepare for service in field grade ranks. This resident phase will build on the instruction presented via distributed learning during Phase I, described in the distributed learning portion of this catalog.

Prerequisites: Army Reserve and Army National Guard Judge Advocates in the rank of captain and major who have completed Phase I (distributed learning), including the written exercises, of the Judge Advocate Officer Advanced Course by 1 October of the year of attendance. NOTE: Officers who have not received written confirmation of successful completion of Phase I must not commence travel to The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School for Phase II. Students are required to pass an APFT and height/weight screening during the course to graduate. Students with temporary profiles (unless deployment or pregnancy related) limiting their ability to perform any event of the APFT and/or height/weight screening are not qualified to attend the course. Please contact the Course Manager if questions. Please see the JAOAC Phase I Blackboard site for a complete explanation of JAOAC prerequisites.

5F-JAG: The Judge Advocate General's Annual World-Wide CLE Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: The World-Wide CLE Course is the annual strategic leadership and planning course of The Judge Advocate General. It brings key JAGC leaders from all Army components together to apprise them of the current state of the law, learn about current legal issues across the force, discuss strategic issues, and receive guidance from The Judge Advocate General and other strategic leaders in our Army. The course also offers opportunities for formal and informal input from Staff Judge Advocates and other leaders in the field to policy makers at the Department of the Army level. Attendees receive substantive updates on all areas of military law to assist them in providing the best possible legal support to commanders in the field, and to help them satisfy continuing legal education (CLE) requirements for their licensing jurisdiction.

Prerequisites: Senior Department of the Army civilian attorneys, Judge Advocate General's Corps general officers, Staff Judge Advocates, and other senior JAGC officers of both the Active and Reserve Components may be invited to attend. Attendance at this course is by INVITATION ONLY. Invitees are selected by The Judge Advocate General, U.S. Army.

COURSES MANAGED BY

THE CONTRACT & FISCAL LAW DEPARTMENT

5F-F12 Fiscal Law Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course provides a foundational review and update of fiscal law authorities, restrictions, and analysis for military and civilian attorneys conducting fiscal legal reviews within the Department of Defense. The course is heavily focused on practice within the military departments. The course covers the legal authorities for the expenditure of appropriated funds including: the concepts of purpose, time, and

amount; the requirements, prohibitions, and application of law and policy concerning the Antideficiency Act; the rules and regulations applicable to military construction projects; and funding authorities governing military operations in the contingency and humanitarian assistance environment.

Prerequisites: Department of Defense civilian and military attorneys actively engaged in administrative law, operational law, or government contract law. Paralegals in the grade of E-6 or GS-7 or higher and who are assigned to, or on orders for a position that requires the paralegal to provide fiscal law support to an attorney or commander may attend. Legal Administrators in the grade of CW2 or above may attend. The LCS CSM and Chief Warrant Officer will review Paralegal and Legal Administrator applicants to approve attendance. Enrollment in this course is limited to individuals who have not attended this course (5F-F12), the Distributed Learning Fiscal Law Course (8F-DL12) or Comptroller Accreditation and Fiscal Law Course (5F-F14) within the previous four years. Non-Department of Defense Federal Government Attorneys may enroll in this course by exception.

5F-F10 Contract Attorneys' Course

Length: 8 1/2 days

Scope: This course presents instruction regarding the basic legal concepts pertaining to the authority of the government and its personnel to enter into contracts; statutorily mandated competition requirements; contract formation (sealed bidding and competitive negotiation), including basic contract types, labor standards, and socioeconomic policies; contract administration, including performance, modification, termination, inspection, and acceptance; disputes, including remedies for unsuccessful offerors and appeals; and introduction to procurement fraud.

Prerequisites: Department of Defense attorneys with two years or less of recent government contract law experience. Attorneys must currently be assigned to Department of Defense positions that require them to provide legal advice to U.S. Government contracting officers on contract formation and administration issues, or be designated to fill such positions upon course completion. Individuals who have completed this course within the prior three years are not eligible for enrollment. Paralegals in the grade of E-7 or GS-9 and higher who are assigned to, or on orders for a position that requires legal support to a contracting activity or command (AMC, MICC, etc.) may attend. Legal Administrators in the grade of CW2 or above may attend. The LCS CSM and Chief Warrant Officer will review Paralegal and Legal Administrator applicants to approve attendance. Attendees may only enroll in one of the following resident government courses per year: Contract Attorneys Course (5F-F10), Government Contract and Fiscal Law New Developments Course (5F-F11).

5F-F11 Government Contract and Fiscal Law New Developments Course

Length: 3 1/2 days

Scope: This course updates senior government attorneys on significant changes in government contract and fiscal law and policy by providing attendees the opportunity to hear the views of prominent individuals from the government and private sectors. The course features guest speakers and seminars with an emphasis on new developments, policy insights, and advanced instruction in selected contract and fiscal law topics. The course also serves as the focal point for the continuing education needs of program manager attorneys and includes seminars designed to meet the interests of senior military and civilian attorneys in the field of government procurement law. With

a focus on policy, this course is designed for senior-level contract and fiscal law attorneys.

Prerequisites: Senior (GS 14 and above, Military Grade of 05 and above) U.S. Government attorneys with significant acquisition law (contract or fiscal) experience. Attendees must have successfully completed the Contract Attorneys Course (5F-F10), or equivalent training, and have a minimum of five years of experience as a contract or fiscal law attorney. Attorneys may only enroll in one of the following resident courses per year: Contract Attorneys Course (5F-F10), Government Contract and Fiscal Law New Developments Course (5F-F11).

5F-F103 Advanced Contract Law Course

Length: 3 1/2 days

Scope: This course provides advanced instruction on specialized acquisition topics. It is intended for non-supervisory contract law attorneys with more than two years of contract law experience. The course addresses a wide variety of topics which vary with each course. This course typically includes selected classes from the previous Government Contract and Fiscal Law New Developments Course (5F-511) as well as other advanced contract law topics. Topics offered in past courses include survey of recent legislative, case law, administrative and policy developments; competition; source selection; bankruptcy; government furnished property; commercial activities; commercial item acquisitions; contract litigation; environmental contracting; costs and cost accounting standards; intellectual property; non-FAR transactions; ethics in government contracting; organizational conflicts of interest; contract labor standards; reverse auctions; and deployment contract and fiscal law. This course is offered each summer. Individuals interested in attending are encouraged to contact the Contract and Fiscal Law Department prior to enrolling to determine whether the particular topics offered at each year's course will be relevant to their practice. This course is offered every other year in ODD Fiscal Years; the next course will be in FY17.

Prerequisites: Military or civilian attorneys employed by the U.S. Government. Attendees must have successfully completed the Contract Attorneys Course (5F-F10), or equivalent training and have at least two years of experience as a contract law attorney. This course is not intended for senior/supervisory contract law attorneys who attended the most recent Government Contract and Fiscal Law New Developments Course (5F-F11).

5F-F101 Procurement Fraud Course

Length: 2 1/2 days

Scope: This course provides basic instruction on the legal and practical aspects of developing an installation procurement fraud program. The course focuses on advising installation and agency contracting and investigatory personnel regarding procurement fraud matters, and proper and timely referral of procurement fraud matters to appropriate agencies. Instruction covers the following: identification of procurement fraud indicators; fraud statutes; fraud investigation procedures; criminal and civil jurisdiction; suspension and debarment; contractual remedies; and coordination of remedies. This course is offered every other year in EVEN fiscal years; the next course will be held in 2018.

Prerequisites: Military attorneys, civilian attorneys employed by the U.S. Government, or non-attorney investigative personnel employed by the U.S. Government who have

been detailed as procurement fraud advisors or procurement fraud and irregularities coordinators, or who are expected to serve in such capacity (or investigative personnel performing procurement fraud investigations as a significant part of their duties).

COURSE MANAGED BY
THE ADMINISTRATIVE & CIVIL LAW DEPARTMENT

5F-F22 Law of Federal Employment Course

Length: 3 1/2 days

Scope: This course presents the fundamentals of federal employment law and labor-management relations to Department of Defense (DoD) military and civilian attorneys. The objective of this course is that students will be able to identify, evaluate, and resolve labor and employment law issues for commanders, managers, and supervisors. Core topics include: adverse actions for misconduct, performance-based actions, Equal Employment Opportunity substantive law and procedure, federal labor-management relations, and prohibited personnel practices.

Prerequisites: This course is by INVITATION ONLY to DoD military and civilian attorneys who are serving in, or are pending assignment to, a federal employment law position. Since this course is designed to be a basic employment law course, applicants should have no more than three years of employment law experience. Paralegals and legal administrators who provide legal support to employment law attorneys may also apply. All prospective students must complete the course application on the LCS website and submit it to the Course Manager for approval or disapproval.

5F-F23 Legal Assistance Course

Length: 4 days

Scope: This course presents basic law and current developments in areas of interest to military legal assistance attorneys with an emphasis on consumer law, family law, and estate planning. Core course offerings include: introduction to estate planning, wills, and trusts; estate tax; probate; using the unified credit; preserving the marital deduction; drafting estate planning documents; survivor benefits; divorce and separation agreements; child support; child custody; family care plans and deployment. Other core courses include: consumer protection; landlord-tenant; taxation; immigration and naturalization; and the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. Students may receive optional training in professional responsibility.

Prerequisites: Military or civilian attorneys employed by the U.S. Government who work or are pending assignment in legal assistance or those attorneys who provide legal assistance services in the regular course of their duties. Reserve Component attorneys may attend if they render legal assistance to eligible military members on a regular basis. This course is also open to military and civilian paralegals who will be managing legal assistance offices or performing duties in supervisory positions requiring knowledge of these areas of the law. Persons who have attended this course in the twenty-four (24) months preceding the course starting date are not eligible to attend.

5F-F24 Administrative Law for Military Organizations Course

Length: 3 1/2 days

Scope: This course presents both basic law and current developments in areas of interest to military attorneys in administrative and civil law assignments. Topics include: administrative investigations; civilian personnel law; federal litigation; federal-state relations; military-related First Amendment issues and command authority matters; federal labor-management relations; military support to civilian law enforcement; morale, welfare, and recreation operations; government information practices; military personnel law; standards of conduct; environmental law; wounded warrior and veterans law; handling of sexual harassment complaints; and accountability for military property. Classes taught during the course present areas of general applicability to installation-related legal practice.

Prerequisites: Military or civilian attorneys employed by the Department of Defense who work or are pending assignment in administrative and civil law. It is also open to military and civilian paralegals who will be managing administrative and/or civil law offices or performing duties in supervisory positions requiring knowledge of these areas of the law. Persons who have attended this or the Judge Advocate Officer Graduate Course (5-27-C22) within the last twenty-four months preceding the course starting date are not eligible to attend.

5F-F28 Income Tax Law Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course presents an overview of federal income taxation for individuals, with special attention devoted to provisions of the Internal Revenue Code directly affecting military personnel. Topics addressed during the course include the following: introduction to federal income taxation principles; overview of tax forms; and instruction on filing status, gross income, itemized deductions, rental property, real estate taxation, individual retirement arrangements (IRAs), credits, and tax on capital gains; deployment and casualty tax issues; and tax program management.

Prerequisites: Military or civilian attorneys employed by the U.S. Government, who assist authorized personnel and family members with the filing of federal or state income tax returns. This course is limited to those who have not attended an Income Tax CLE in the past twenty-four (24) months or who have little or no tax return preparation experience. It is also open to military and civilian paralegals who will be managing tax assistance centers.

5F-F29 Federal Litigation Course

Length: 3 1/2 days

Scope: This is an introductory course that presents practice-oriented instruction encompassing problems confronting government attorneys in federal civil litigation. Instruction is provided in federal civil litigation subjects, including: the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; case management; discovery; judicial review; official immunity; pleadings and motion practice; and mediation in federal courts.

Prerequisites: This course is by INVITATION ONLY, and is primarily designed to be an introductory course for U.S. Department of Defense military and civilian attorneys who are serving in, or pending assignment to, a federal civil litigation position. Paralegals who provide legal support to federal civil litigation attorneys may also apply. Applicants

should have no more than two years of federal civil litigation experience, and not previously attended the course

5F-F202 The Ethics Counselors Course

Length: 3 1/2 days

Scope: To provide ethics counselors and leaders supervising ethics counselors fundamentals for their duties as ethics counselors. The course is primarily designed for attorneys with little experience in the area or former ethics counselors who, after some time, have been recently re-designated to provide ethics advice. Topics include: ethics counselor fundamentals; gifts; conflicts of interest; outside activities; post-government employment restrictions; completion and review of financial disclosure reports; relationships with non-federal entities; travel and transportation rules; the Joint Ethics Regulation; program reviews; dealing with contractors in the workplace; and running an effective ethics program.

Prerequisites: This course is by INVITATION ONLY to DoD military and civilian attorneys who are appointed, work as, or are pending assignment as ethics counselors. Supervisory military and civilian paralegals performing significant duties in this area of the law are also eligible to attend. Due to the demand for this course, students are ineligible to attend if they have attended this course in the last thirty-six (36) months.

COURSES MANAGED BY THE CRIMINAL LAW DEPARTMENT

5F-F31 Military Justice Leaders Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course addresses leadership topics relevant to managers of military justice at the GCMCA level. This course will address best practices in trial counsel and personnel management, office management systems, reporting, Military Justice On-line (MJO); pretrial case evaluation; Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program; discovery and production management, pretrial negotiations; and proper post-trial processing.

Prerequisites: Attendance at this course is by INVITATION ONLY. Priority of enrollment is to judge advocates, paralegals, and legal administrators who manage justice at the GCMCA level. Subject to quota limitations, this course is open to all services.

5F-F33 Military Judge Course

Length: 3 weeks

Scope: Provides military attorneys with advanced schooling required to qualify as full-time military judges at courts-martial. Topics covered include the following: substantive military criminal law; trial procedures; defenses; instructions; evidence; current military judicial issues; and professional responsibility.

Prerequisites: This course is limited to Judge Advocates who are military judges or about to begin assignments as military judges. Army officers are selected for attendance by the Chief Trial Judge, U.S. Army Judiciary. Students from other services are

nominated by the Chiefs of their respective service judiciaries. Attendance at this course is by INVITATION ONLY.

5F-F34 Intermediate Trial Advocacy Course

Length: 2 weeks

Scope: The ITAC is an intensive two-week course designed to provide judge advocates with the courtroom skills necessary to be lead counsel in a contested general court-martial. The course offers a mix of classroom instruction, discussion groups, and workshops. Each student observes and conducts case analysis and preparation, witness interviews, voir dire, expert and lay witness preparation and examination, and admission of evidence in a mock trial setting. The witnesses examined during ITAC include toxicologists, medical doctors, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs), and Digital Forensics Examiners (DFEs), all of whom are actual practitioners practicing in their respective fields of expertise. These expert witnesses are present for interviews, examination, and cross-examination. This course offers intensive trial skills instruction and practical exercises from case analysis through closing argument on the merits, with specific instruction on trial procedure from investigation through courts martial; successful trial advocacy strategies; professional responsibility; and topical aspects of current military law, with particular emphasis on the military rules of evidence.

Prerequisites: This course is offered twice per year and is limited to Judge Advocates. While any judge advocate may apply to attend ITAC, priority for registration goes first to those currently (or soon to be) serving in trial, defense, or special victim counsel billets, and who have less than 6 months' experience in those billets. Applications by those serving in other billets are accepted, but may be wait-listed pending the close of registration and consideration of TC, DC, and SVC applications. Completion of the New Prosecutor Course or Defense Counsel 101 Course, offered by the Trial Counsel and Defense Counsel Assistance Programs, is strongly recommended prior to attending. Attendance at this course is by INVITATION ONLY. Self-registration is not authorized.

5F-F35 Special Victim's Counsel Course

Length: 4.5 Days

Scope: This course prepares judge advocates to effectively serve as Special Victim's Counsel (SVC) when appointed. Completion of the course is a prerequisite to performing SVC duties. Core instruction provides a program and policy overview before focusing on the roles, relationships, and professional responsibilities of SVCs throughout sexual assault cases, to include post-trial matters. Special emphasis is placed upon substantive military law directly related to Special Victim crimes as well as instruction on victim behavior, services, and medical issues. Guest lecturers discuss victim sensitive interviewing and counseling techniques while judge advocates who have served in both TC and DC capacities, SVP's and experienced SVC's offer practical insight into the SVC Program (SVCP). Participation in practical scenario-driven exercises is a substantial portion of the course.

Prerequisites: This course is limited to Judge Advocates selected to become SVCs. Pursuant to TJAG Sends (dated 1 Nov 13), if at all practicable, selected SVCs should have trial experience. Attendance is authorized, if seats are available, for paralegals serving in military justice or legal assistance positions in support of SVCs. Security clearance is NOT required. Attendance at this course is by INVITATION ONLY.

5F-F35C SPECIAL VICTIM COUNSEL CHILD VICTIM COURSE

Length: 3.5 Days

Scope: This course builds upon the Special Victim Counsel (SVC) Certification Course introducing issues and dynamics inherent in the representation of child victim clients. Completion of the course is a prerequisite to SVC representation of child victims. Core instruction is taught via a multitude of experts in the field of child psychology, child development and child forensic interviews. Additional instruction on utilization of Family Advocacy Programs and Guardians Ad Litem will be provided. There will be panel discussions with veteran SVCs who have represented children and can provide best practices from the field. A practical rapport building exercise will allow attendees an opportunity to utilize skills taught throughout the course.

Prerequisites: Attendance at this course is by INVITATION ONLY. Judge Advocates must have completed the SVC Certification Course prior to applying for this course. Attendees should also have experience as an SVC with adult clients prior to attending this course. Paralegals serving in military justice or legal assistance positions in support of SVCs may also be considered for attendance.

COURSES MANAGED BY

INTERNATIONAL & OPERATIONAL LAW DEPARTMENT

5F-F41 Intelligence Law Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course provides a basic understanding of the legal framework in which the intelligence community operates and the historical context with which to view, understand, and apply existing laws, regulations, and policies. Focusing on judge advocates new to this area of the law, working at the joint task force (JTF) level and below, it presents current intelligence issues including intelligence operations in cyberspace, and tactical intelligence law issues that arise in a combat zone. Prerequisites: Military or civilian attorneys employed by the U.S. Government who provide operational law advice to commanders. Attendance is also open, on a limited basis, to U.S. Government employees assigned or pending assignment to positions requiring an understanding of intelligence law as it relates to the investigation of national security cases. Attendance is by invitation only. Potential applicants are invited to contact the International and Operational Law Department at the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School in order to receive a course application. The course requires a SECRET security clearance, confirmation of which must be received before the course begins. Security clearances must be confirmed in writing by the sending unit's security manager.

5F-F45 Domestic Operational Law Course

Offered by the International and Operational Law Department and the Center for Law and Military Operations (CLAMO)

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course provides military lawyers with a full understanding of the role of the Department of Defense in homeland security. Although some instruction is provided in the area of homeland defense, the majority of the course focuses on the military's support to civilian operations, such as domestic emergencies, civil disturbances, disaster relief, and law enforcement. The course will cover the constitutional, statutory, and regulatory bases for military support provided to civilian authorities. Other topics will include crisis management, interagency coordination efforts at the federal and state levels, information operations, and the use of force in domestic operations.

Prerequisites: U.S. military attorneys, U.S. Government civilian attorneys, and Department of Defense paralegals serving in or pending assignment to a position that requires knowledge of domestic operational law and/or homeland security. Completion of the Incident Command System (ICS) 100 and 200 online training courses is required prior to attending the Domestic Operational Law Course. These courses are offered online through FEMA's Emergency Management Institute. For more information, please see IS-100.b - Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100 (available at: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100b.asp>), and IS-200.b - ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents (available at: <http://www.training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is200b.asp>).

5F-F47 Operational Law of Armed Conflict Course

Length: 2 weeks

Scope: This course focuses on the role of lawyers in joint and multinational military operations. Lectures cover topics such as: the law of armed conflict; rules of engagement and targeting; rule of law in stability operations; comparative law; human rights; war crimes; investigations in the deployed environment; operational funding; international agreements; intelligence law; interrogation operations; information and cyber operations law; domestic operations; and air and sea law. Small group seminars complement lectures and students can choose from various electives to focus their area of study.

Prerequisites: This course is open to military or civilian attorneys employed by the U.S. Government and Department of Defense paralegals serving in or pending assignment to a position that requires knowledge of international or operational law. This course requires a SECRET security clearance, confirmation of which must be received by the School before the course begins. Security clearances must be confirmed through JPAS or in writing by the sending unit's security manager.

Previous attendance: Individuals who have completed this course, the Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course (5-27-C20), or the Judge Advocate Officer Graduate Course (5-27-C22) within the preceding two years are not eligible to attend absent compelling circumstances (e.g., a pending deployment). Students may request an exception from the Chair, International and Operational Law Department.

5F-F48 Emergent Topics in International and Operational Law Course

Length: 2.5 days

Scope: This course addresses emerging and/or emergent legal issues that are likely to confront Judge Advocates and other practitioners assigned to international and operational law billets. The forum is intended to provide experienced practitioners from across the joint force, typically field grade or civilian equivalent, an in-depth exploration of current national security law issues. The course provides TJAGLCS and the JAG Corps with operational flexibility to address new and changing topics in international

and operational law. Therefore, the focus of instruction for each course will change in accordance with evolving legal issues. As such, the course description will be updated on a course-by-course basis in the Army Training Requirements and Resources System (ATRRS) in advance of each session.

Prerequisites: U.S. military attorneys, U.S. Government civilian attorneys, and Department of Defense paralegals serving in or pending assignment to a position that requires knowledge of the selected emergent international and operational legal issues. Prior attendance at an OPLOAC Course (5F-F47) is preferred and the Judge Advocate Officer Graduate Course (5-27-C22) is preferred but not required.

COURSES MANAGED BY

THE LEGAL ADMINISTRATOR AND PARALEGAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

LEGAL ADMINISTRATOR COURSES

7A-270A0 Judge Advocate Warrant Officer Basic Course

Length: 6 weeks

Scope: This course educates newly appointed Judge Advocate Warrant Officers on the fundamentals of military law office management. Instruction is built around the Judge Advocate Warrant Officer core competencies and includes Knowledge Management, Resource Management, Force Management, Security Management, Legal Personnel Management, Legal Systems Integration and Innovation, Leadership, and professional writing.

Prerequisites: Selection for appointment as a Judge Advocate Warrant Officer, MOS 270A/ 270A (Legal Administrator) or warrant officers approved for branch transfer to MOS 270A; and Army Warrant Officer Candidate School graduate or sister service equivalent. Completion of the prerequisite studies for JAWOBC includes Distance Learning Module II on Army JAG University, <https://jagu.army.mil>.

7A-270A1 Law Office Management Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: This course focuses on the technical and mid-level management aspects of military law office management. Topics may include Knowledge Management, Resource Management, Force Management, Security Management, Legal Personnel Management, Legal Systems Integration and Innovation, and Leadership with focus being placed on aspects of these areas of particular interest /concern to the field or the JAGC and Army leadership.

Prerequisites: Army warrant officers serving in MOS 270A. Warrant officers of the sister services in equivalent positions may also attend. Civilians performing duties equivalent to MOS 270A as defined in DA Pam 600-3 are permitted to attend. Staff Judge Advocates desiring this course for any person not serving in such capacity will send a request for exception to the Chair, Legal Administrator and Paralegal Studies Department, TJAGLCS.

7A-270A2 Judge Advocate Warrant Officer Advanced Course

Length: 4 weeks

Scope: This course educates Judge Advocate Warrant Officers to prepare them for assignment at or above the operational level of command. Instruction is built around

the Judge Advocate Warrant Officer core competencies and includes Knowledge Management, Resource Management, Force Management, Security Management, Legal Personnel Management, Legal Systems Integration and Innovation, Leadership, and professional writing. Each student is responsible for completing a proposal paper prior to graduation.

Prerequisites: Judge Advocate Warrant Officers Possessing the requisite time in grade and service as determined by the Regimental Chief Warrant Officer and the Chair, Legal Administrator and Paralegal Studies Department, TJAGLCS. Completion of the prerequisite studies for JAWOBC includes Distance Learning Module III on Army JAG University, <https://jagu.army.mil>.

7A-270A3 Law Office Management Master's Course

Length: 4 1/2 Days

Scope: This course presents education in strategic and organizational level leadership and management, as well as the full spectrum of topics affecting law office management and the Judge Advocate Warrant Officer core competencies. This course also provides opportunities for working groups and discussion on effective and efficient management of legal offices across the Army.

Prerequisites: By INVITATION ONLY. Attendees will be invited by the Chief Warrant Officer of the JAG Corps.

PARALEGAL COURSES

5F-F58 Command/Chief Paralegal New Developments Course

Length: 4 1/2 Days

Scope: This course focuses on strategic and operational level Paralegal training, leadership, and legal updates for U.S. Army Command Paralegals, and select Chief Paralegals based on their duty assignment and level of responsibility. The curriculum for this course is developed by the department, in coordination with the JAG Corps Regimental Command Sergeant Major, to advance The Judge Advocate General's strategic objectives for Paralegal support to the Judge Advocate General's Corps.

Prerequisites: This course is by INVITATION ONLY. The approval authority for enrollment is the JAG Corps Regimental Command Sergeant Major. Paralegals in the grade of E7 – E9 who are serving in Command or Chief Paralegal positions, civilian paralegals in the grade of GS-11 or above, or military personnel from other services with equivalent grade and specialty will be considered for invitation to the course.

512-27D/30/40 Advanced Law for Paralegal Course

Length: 4 ½ days

Scope: This course focuses on more complex legal principles and practical skills for Army Paralegals, both military and civilian, within the core practice areas of the Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAGC). Additionally, the course emphasizes leadership and management techniques and best practices within those legal practice areas, as well as the more nuanced understanding of law and policy required at Corps and higher levels of command. Classes will focus on specific areas of emphasis within current JAGC operations. The curriculum is designed to provide enhanced understanding of the substantive legal framework for the area of practice and best practices for teaching,

managing, and leading subordinate Paralegals to accomplish practical Paralegal skills to best support Judge Advocates and attorneys in the field. Practice areas addressed may include Military Justice, Administrative & Civil Law, Contract and Fiscal Law, Operational Law, Legal Assistance, and Claims.

Prerequisites: Paralegals in the grade of E-6 – E7 who have served 7 - 9 years as a paralegal, civilian paralegals in the grade of GS-9 or above, or military personnel from other services with equivalent grade and specialty.

512-27D/20/30 Law for Paralegal Course

Length: 9 ½ days

Scope: This course focuses on essential legal principles and practical skills for military and civilian Army Paralegals within the core practice areas of the Judge Advocate General's Corps. Instruction will focus on specific areas of emphasis within current JAGC operations. The curriculum is designed to provide an understanding of the substantive legal framework for the area of practice, as well as techniques, procedures, and best practices to best support Judge Advocates and attorneys in the field. Practice areas addressed may include Military Justice, Administrative & Civil Law, Contract and Fiscal Law, Operational Law, Legal Assistance, and Claims.

Prerequisites: Paralegals in the grade of E4 – E5 who have served 3 - 5 years as a paralegal, civilian paralegals or legal kindred technicians in the grade of GS5 to GS9, or military personnel of other services of equivalent grade and specialty, who are assigned or pending assignment as a Paralegal NCO or employed by the U.S. Government as a civilian Paralegal. Personnel who have attended this course in the prior 48 months are not eligible to attend this course.

5F-F57E Paralegal Warrior Training Course

Length: 2 Weeks

Scope: This course provides training and education on legal principles and practical Paralegal skills to U.S. Army Reserve and Army National Guard Paralegal Soldiers. Classes will focus on specific areas of emphasis within current JAGC operations. Practice areas addressed may include Military Justice, Administrative & Civil Law, Contract and Fiscal Law, Operational Law, Legal Assistance, and Claims.

Prerequisites: Soldier must be qualified in MOS 27D (Paralegal Specialist).

COURT REPORTER COURSES

512-27DC5 Basic Court Reporter Course

Length: 7 weeks

Scope: This course provides Paralegal specialists with the training necessary to perform the duties of a court reporter. The course focuses on essential redictation speech recognition and court reporter training for Army Paralegal NCOs and Paralegal specialists. Included in the curriculum are classes on the following topics: court reporter technology (FTR Gold and Dragon software); basics of court reporting (grammar, proofreading, introduction to redictation using open-mic and closed-mask methods, and speed dictation proficiency); and records of trial (court-martial terminology, stages of trial, courtroom management, courtroom technology, reporter's log notes, verbatim records of trial, summarized testimony, summarized records of trial, assembly of record of trial, and certificates of correction).

Prerequisites: Attendees must possess 27D, Paralegal specialist, as a primary MOS and be in the grade of E4 through E6 (Soldiers in the rank of E1 through E3 and E7 are approved on a case-by-case basis); type at a minimum speed of 35 net words per minute; pass a hearing test; pass the APFT within 6 months of attending the course; meet height and weight requirements IAW AR 600-9; complete the Court Reporter Candidate Application and 27D Court Reporter Selection Course. Students are selected for attendance by the Court Reporter Selection Board and must have 24 months remaining time in service upon completion of the course.

512-27DC7 Advanced Court Reporter Course

Length: 9 1/2 days

Scope: The focus of the course is to update and train government court reporters on advanced transcription techniques, as well as to adopt best practices for use of the software and hardware that support those methods. The course also includes practical work, using actual records from the students' jurisdictions, to apply the methods learned under the advice and guidance of the instructors. The course is held annually.

Prerequisites: Attendees must be a graduate of the Basic Court Reporter Course and actively serving as a court reporter.

512-27DC6 Senior Court Reporter Course

Length: 4 1/2 days

Scope: The focus of the course is to update government court reporters on significant changes and new developments in Army court reporting; as well as leadership, training, management, triage, courtroom management, and records of trial processing. This course addresses Appendix 14, Manual for Courts-Martial, as well as guidance from the Chief Trial Judge and Clerk of Court related to the preparation of records of trial. This course is held annually.

Prerequisites: Attendees must be a military or civilian court reporter employed by the U.S. Government in a supervisory or managerial position.

COURSES MANAGED BY THE NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER ACADEMY

512-27D40 Paralegal Specialist Senior Leaders Course

Length: 5 Weeks and 2 Days

Scope: The 27D Senior Leaders Course (Phase 2) is a 5 week 2 day course that emphasizes leadership, communication skills, common military skills, MOS technical training and an FTX which will serve as a culminating event to evaluate the Soldier's leadership, survival, and MOS skills in an operational environment.

Prerequisites: Soldier may not be flagged for failure to meet height/weight and/or Army Physical Fitness Test standards. Active Army (AA) or Reserve Component (RC) enlisted personnel selected by HRC (AA) or recommended by unit commander (RC). Sergeant First Class and Staff Sergeant qualified in MOS27D. Pre-SLC (on JAGU) and SSD-3 will be completed prior to reporting to SLC. Meet requirements outlined in AR 350-1,

TRADOC Regulation 350-10, and TRADOC Regulation 350-18. Successfully completed ALC or BNCOC, and served in the unit a minimum of one year between ALC or BNCOC completion and SLC start date. Must submit all permanent profiles 60 days prior to attending for screening by the Senior SGL and approval by the Commandant. Prior to reporting, Soldiers must have in their possession a properly completed and signed Unit Pre-Execution Checklist (signed by the Soldier and his/her commander or acting commander on orders). Active and Reserve Soldiers over 40 must complete the required cardiovascular screening and have a current physical (within 5 yrs of report date). Soldiers may not enroll in the course with a temporary profile. Soldiers with a P3/P4 profile must bring copies of their MMRB results.

512-27D-30 Paralegal Specialist Advanced Leaders Course

Length: 5 Weeks and 2 Days

Scope: 27D Advanced Leaders Course (Phase 2) is a 5 week 2 day course that emphasizes leadership, communication skills, common military skills, MOS technical training, Force XXI Battle Command Brigade and Below Systems Operations and an FTX ,which serves as a culminating event to evaluate the Soldier's leadership, survival, and MOS skills in an operational environment.

Prerequisites: Soldier May Not flagged for failure to meet height/weight and/or Army Physical Fitness Test standards. Active Army (AA) or Reserve Component (RC) enlisted personnel selected by HRC (AA) or recommended by unit commander (RC). Staff Sergeant or promotable Sergeant qualified in MOS27D. Pre-ALC (on JAGU) will be completed prior to reporting to ALC. Meet requirements outlined in AR 350-1, TRADOC Regulation 350-10, and TRADOC Regulation 350-18. Successfully completed WLC or PLDC, and served in the unit a minimum of six months between WLC or PLDC completion and ALC start date. Must submit all permanent profiles 60 days prior to attending for screening by the Senior SGL and approval by the Commandant. Prior to reporting, Soldiers must have in their possession a properly completed and signed Unit Pre-Execution Checklist (signed by the Soldier and his/her commander or acting commander on orders). Active and Reserve Soldiers over 40 must complete the required cardiovascular screening and have a current physical (within 5 yrs of report date). Soldiers may not enroll in the course with a temporary profile. Soldiers with a P3/P4 profile must bring copies of their MMRB results.