

JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

Welcome to the annual issue of the JAG Magazine, a showcase of photos and stories from 2012. The content provided in the JAG Magazine, as well as that provided on our website and social networking sites, are collaborative efforts by all members of the JAG Corps community. We depend on your submissions, and I would like to express my sincere appreciation to those who contributed to this issue and online throughout the year.

In July, it was my honor to relieve Vice Adm. Houck and assume duties as the 42nd Judge Advocate General of the Navy. I'm extremely proud to be leading you. I'll continue to give you my very best every day and will strive to lead with integrity, honesty, compassion, and grace. We also welcomed a superb lawyer, extraordinary officer, and selfless leader as our new Deputy JAG and Commander, Naval Legal Service Command, Rear Adm. Jim Crawford.

This past year, Rear Adm. Janet R. Donovan assumed duty as the Deputy JAG for Reserve Affairs and Operations and Deputy Commander, Naval Legal Service Command; Master Chief Legalman Karen Colaiacovo assumed duty as the Reserve Senior Enlisted Advisor to the JAG and Reserve Command Master Chief, Naval Legal Service Command; and Master Chief Legalman Paul St. Sauver assumed duty as the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the JAG and Command Master Chief, Naval Legal Service Command. The Navy and the JAG Corps community simply could not ask for a better team of proven leaders.

As we look to the future, traditional legal missions remain, but an increasingly complex legal landscape calls for even greater ingenuity and imagination across the board. We must embrace difficult fiscal realities, emerging technologies, and evolving capabilities that will present new and changing needs for legal solutions. We must continue to bring to bear hard work, common sense, creativity, and tenacity to find solutions to our clients' problems.

This edition of the JAG Magazine highlights examples of that kind of ingenuity and hard work in action. The JAG Corps Public Affairs Officer outlines the reorganization of Naval Legal Service Command to meet the Navy's demands for expeditionary services while continuing to provide the Navy with quality military justice services. Cmdr. Tom Leary and Cmdr. Jim Lucci discuss the first and last chapters of the U.S. legal mission in Iraq. Lt. Eileen Joy highlights the collaborative effort to support four special courts-martial held aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68). Cmdr. Doug Velvel outlines the challenges in the evolving area of Cyber Law. The Special Assistant for Strategic Planning discusses the development of JAG Guidance 2013.

The JAG Magazine remains a wonderful resource. However, concentrating on social media sites has allowed the JAG Corps community to improve dialogue among our members, our clients, our alumni, and potential applicants interested in a career with our community. You can keep up with the latest JAG Corps news via the following social media sites:

1. Facebook (www.facebook.com/navyjag)
2. Twitter (www.twitter.com/Navy_JAG)
3. YouTube (www.youtube.com/NavyJAGCorps)
4. Wordpress (www.usnavyjagcorps.wordpress.com/)
5. Flickr (www.flickr.com/photos/navyjagcorps/)



Thank you for everything you do for the Navy, our clients, and each other. Keep up the terrific work!

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