

## Foreword

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Welcome to the thirteenth annual *Military Justice Symposium*, where the criminal law faculty discuss important cases and trends from the 2007 term of court. This year we are publishing the *symposium* in one issue of *The Army Lawyer*. It contains articles covering the Fourth and Sixth Amendments, as well as evidence, crimes and defenses, pretrial procedures, sentencing, post-trial, professional responsibility and unlawful command influence. This issue also contains an article on instructions co-authored by two sitting trial judges.

As in past *symposia*, the faculty identifies the most significant cases from the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces and the service courts, rather than providing a complete review of every case in a particular subject area. Practitioners can find a complete review of each subject area by accessing our New Developments outlines on JAGCNET.<sup>1</sup> Along with many other course outlines, this site also contains the newest version of the Crimes and Defenses Deskbook. The publications offered at this site do not require a password and are available to all services. We hope that you find these materials and our articles helpful in your practice and, as always, welcome your questions and comments.

Of special note, this *symposium* marks the final appearance for two of our finest officers. Major (MAJ) Howard Hoegge is leaving active duty, and MAJ Dave Coombs is deploying to Iraq, followed by ILE/AOWC at Fort Leavenworth. I know that practitioners everywhere join me in recognizing their significant contributions to the *symposium* and the practice of criminal law throughout the Department of Defense.

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<sup>1</sup> See CRIMINAL LAW DEP'T, THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S SCHOOL, U.S. ARMY, 31ST CRIMINAL LAW NEW DEVELOPMENTS COURSE DESKBOOK (5-8 Nov. 2007), available at <https://www.jagcnet.army.mil/8525736A005BC8F9> (follow "TJAGLCS Publications" hyperlink).