

## Foreword

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Welcome to the twelfth annual *Military Justice Symposium*, where the criminal law faculty discuss important cases and trends from the 2006 term of court. This month's issue of *The Army Lawyer* contains Volume I of the symposium, covering crimes and defenses, the Fifth Amendment, and evidence. This issue also contains an article on instructions co-authored by two sitting Army trial judges. Volume II of the symposium will appear in the next edition of *The Army Lawyer*, and will contain articles on the Fourth Amendment, the Sixth Amendment, pleas and pretrial procedures, sentencing and post-trial, professional responsibility, speedy trial and pretrial restraint, and unlawful command influence.

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> 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 *symposia* marks the final appearance of two fine officers. Our Vice Chair, Major (MAJ) John Rothwell, and our Senior Instructor, MAJ De Fleming, are both leaving this summer to attend ILE/AOWC at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. 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, 30TH CRIMINAL LAW NEW DEVELOPMENTS COURSE DESKBOOK (Oct. 2006), available at <https://www.jagcnet.army.mil/JAGCNETINTERNET/HOMEPAGES/AC/TJAGSAWEB.NSF/Main?OpenFrameset> (follow "TJAGLCS Publications" hyperlink; then follow "Criminal Law" hyperlink).