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The Judge Advocate General



A Message from The 43rd Judge Advocate General

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JAGC Teammates:

It is an honor to serve you each as the 43rd Judge Advocate General of the United States Army. It is also humbling, as I am mindful of the extraordinary legacy of the 42 TJAGs I follow ... men and women of integrity and intrepidity. I resolve to honor their service by serving you, your families, and our Corps with respect and earnest dedication.

Each uniformed member in our Corps is a Soldier and legal expert, as ours is a dual calling requiring both operational skill and intellect. Across all components of our force: Active Duty, National Guard, and the Army Reserve, we work as one team. Alongside our exceptional civilian teammates we deliver principled counsel so as to uphold the rule of law. This will not change.

Yet we are an Army in transformation, and for good cause as modern threats facing America require modern deterrence. The heart of that deterrence will always be the American Soldier. Our Corps will evolve as necessary to remain relevant and able to facilitate the lethality of our warriors through the practice of our trade. We will empower our Army by continuing the JAG Corps' legacy of legal excellence, sterling character, and commitment to mission.

Any evolution our Corps undertakes will be successful, as our starting point is strong. Strong because 42 TJAGs never lost sight of our north star's four constants: Principled Counsel, Stewardship, Mastery of the Law, and Servant Leadership. You live these constants every day. They guide how you serve, and how you lead. And the four constants of that north star will guide our Corps as we rise to meet the growing demands on our profession in service to an Army transforming in contact.

I dedicate my tenure to pursuing the resources and tools necessary to keep you in the fight. To keep you at the table where decisions are made. To keep you positioned to help your commanders lead legally and ethically. To keep you engaged so as to facilitate transformation, good order and discipline, and ultimately, to support the lethality of the American Soldier in combat.

Together we remain united in purpose, committed to legal excellence, ever more physically fit, guided by our north star's four constants, and always proud of our Corps.

This We'll Defend!

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