## **Lieutenant Colonel David Segraves, USMC**

Current Assignment: Officer in Charge, Legal Services Support Team, Cherry Point, NC

Education: B.S. Computer Engineering, B.B.A. Management Information Systems

Wichita State University, magna cum laude

Juris Doctorate and L.L.M. in Taxation Boston University School of Law

L.L.M. in International and Operational Law

The Judge Advocate General Legal Center and School (TJAGLCS)

Military Schools: The Basic School, Naval Justice School, Defense Support of Civil

Authorities (DSCA) I and II, Expeditionary Warfare School, Command

and Staff College

Lieutenant Colonel Segraves earned a commission through the PLC Law program in 2004. After earning his commission, he returned to law school earning his law degree and L.L.M. in taxation. Upon passing the bar exam, he attended The Basic School in January of 2007 and, subsequently, Naval Justice School. In November 2007, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves reported for duty as a Trial Counsel aboard the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center (MCAGCC) in Twentynine Palms, California.

After prosecuting more than 160 cases, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with 3d Battalion, 4th Marines in October 2009 to an area of operations covering Helmand, Farah, and Nimruz Provinces in Afghanistan. Serving as the Battalion Judge Advocate, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves advised on targeting, escalation of force, rules of engagement, land use, rule of law issues and detainee operations. Upon re-deploying, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves served as the Officer in Charge of the MCAGCC Legal Assistance Office. As legal assistance OIC, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves assisted clients and oversaw office operations in the areas of family law, will and power of attorney preparation, consumer law, landlord tenant law, and tax law. After six months, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves transitioned to train and lead the MCAGCC Tax Center increasing throughput by 55% and cutting the error rate in half. For his work in legal assistance, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves was awarded the Commandant's Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance.

Lieutenant Colonel Segraves reported to Marine Forces Reserve in June 2011 and assumed the duties of Senior Defense Counsel. Lieutenant Colonel Segraves' defense led to positive results at numerous Boards of Inquiry, Courts Martial and dispositions of charges at lower forums. Lieutenant Colonel Segraves earned Defense Counsel of the Year honors for the National Capitol Region in 2012.

Lieutenant Colonel Segraves transitioned to command advice in 2013. Immediately upon assuming his billet, he deployed in support of the Georgian Deployment Program to serve as an advisor during their Mission Rehearsal Exercise in Hohenfels, Germany. He trained the Georgian Battalions in operational law including law of war, rules of engagement, targeting and detainee operations. Upon returning stateside, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves assumed the role of

main active component advisor for 4th Marine Aircraft Wing and 4th Marine Logistics Group, later transitioning to 4th Marine Division and Marine Forces North. As a command advice attorney, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves assisted commanders with the areas of military justice, investigations, ethics, and domestic operational law.

After competitive selection and assignment to TJAGLCS where he received a L.L.M. in International and Operational Law, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves assumed the role of staff judge advocate for the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU). Lieutenant Colonel Segraves advised the command and trained all elements of the MEU on the laws of armed conflict during predeployment training and during their WESTPAC 17-2 deployment. The WESTPAC 17-2 deployment supported operations in the Pacific Command, Central Command, and Africa Command areas of operation. In addition to his legal duties, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves served as the Executive Officer of Troops aboard the USS AMERICA ensuring successful embarkation and continued life support of the MEU aboard ship. Additionally, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves served as the MEU's acting Executive Officer during RIMPAC 2016 and during periods of the workup and Westpac 17-2 deployment when the MEU was disaggregated.

In June 2018, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves reported to Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point to assume his current duties as the Officer in Charge for the Legal Services Support Team (LSST). Lieutenant Colonel Segraves provided leadership, supervision, and mentorship to all officers, enlisted Marines, and civilian paralegals assigned to the LSST. Lieutenant Colonel Segraves supervised the provision of legal services to more than 26 unites aboard the installation and auxiliary support to outlying stations. During his tenure, his legal assistance office won the Legal Assistance Distinguished Service Award from the American Bar Association as the best Legal Assistance Office in the Marine Corps.

In June 2021, Lieutenant Colonel Segraves reported to The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (TJAGLCS) where he assumed duties as an Associate Professor in the Criminal Law Department. Lieutenant Colonel Segraves serves as the Senior Marine Instructor aboard TJAGLCS and is responsible for the Criminal Law Department's evidence portfolio.