



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JAMES PETER FERRELL

Lieutenant Colonel James Peter (“Pete”) Ferrell currently serves as the Chief of Military Justice Policy within the Military Justice and Policy Division, Military Justice and Discipline Directorate, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland (JAJM). JAJM provides counsel on military justice to senior leaders, as well as guidance on military justice policy and processes to legal offices at every level of command. JAJM also represents the Department of the Air Force on the Joint Service Committee on Military Justice, an inter-agency, joint body dedicated to ensuring the Manual for Courts-Martial and Uniform Code of Military Justice constitute a comprehensive body of criminal law and procedure.

Lt Col Ferrell received a direct commission as an Air Force Judge Advocate in December 2009 and entered active duty in January 2010. He is admitted to practice law before the Tennessee Supreme Court, the Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals and the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.



Lt Col Ferrell is married to MAJ Jenna Ferrell, United States Army. They have one daughter, Deanna Rae Ferrell, and one son, Ethan Roy Ferrell.

EDUCATION

- 2006 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- 2009 Juris Doctor, The University of Tennessee College of Law, Knoxville, TN
- 2011 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence
- 2014 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2020 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. January 2010 – August 2012, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Legal Assistance, Chief of Adverse Actions), 55th Wing, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
2. August 2012 – August 2013, Chief of Fiscal Law, Combined Joint Interagency Task Force 435, Kabul, Afghanistan
3. August 2013 – July 2015, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Adverse Actions, Chief of Military Justice), 628th Air Base Wing, Joint Base Charleston, South Carolina
4. July 2015 – July 2017, Area Defense Counsel, Pope Army Airfield, North Carolina
5. July 2017 – July 2019, Circuit Defense Counsel (Hurlburt Region), Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia
6. July 2019 – July 2022, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, Space Base Delta 1 Legal Office, Peterson SFB & Schriever SFB, Colorado
7. July 2022 – Present, Chief of Military Justice & Policy, Military Justice & Policy Division, Military Justice & Discipline Directorate, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

First Lieutenant 10 January 2010

Captain 10 July 2010

Major 1 February 2017

Lieutenant Colonel 1 May 2022

(Current as of March 2023)