James R. Schwenk

A graduate of the United States Naval Academy, Brigadier General Schwenk retired from the Marine Corps after 30 years of service in 2000. He had served as an infantry officer and a judge advocate. After retiring from the Marine Corps, he served in the office of the Department of Defense General Counsel until retiring from the civil service at the end of 2014. As a retiree, he served on two federal advisory committees focused on sexual assault in the military: in 2015 and 2016 on a subcommittee of the Judicial Proceedings Panel, and from 2017 through present on the Defense Advisory Committee on the Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Military. In 2021, he served on the Independent Review Commission on Sexual Assault in the Military appointed by the Secretary of Defense at the direction of the President.