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Wednesday, May 13, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. *Registration***
- 8:00 a.m. *Welcoming Remarks***
The Honorable Kevin A. Ohlson, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces
- 8:05 a.m. *Law at 250: History of Judicial Punishment and Non-Judicial Punishment & Three Infamous Courts-Martial (2 hr)***
COL Fred L. Borch, U.S. Army, (Ret.), Professor of Legal History & Leadership, The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School, (Ret.), Regimental Historian & Archivist, The Judge Advocate General's Corps, (Ret.)
- 10:05 a.m. *Break***
- 10:10 a.m. *Plea Agreements Under the UCMJ: A Comparative Service Approach***
CAPT Robert Monahan, JAGC, U.S. Navy (Ret.), Commissioner to the Honorable Kevin A. Ohlson, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; Col E. Dane Horne, Chief, Air Force Military Justice Law and Policy Division; LTC Steve Dray, Complex Litigation Counsel, OSTC HQ; LCDR Shannon Gearhart, JAGC, USN, Military Justice Policy Branch Head, Code-20
- 11:10 a.m. *Break***
- 11:15 a.m. *Digital Evidence and the Law Updates***
Major ReAnne R. Wentz, U.S. Army, Senior Defense Counsel, United States Army Trial Defense Service
- 12:15 p.m. *Message from the Mason Veterans and Servicemembers Clinic***
Director & Clinical Assistant Professor Timothy MacArthur, Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University
- 12:20 p.m. *Presentation of Awards for Appellate Advocacy***
Judge Advocates Association, MAJ Amanda Williams, U.S. Army
- 12:30 p.m. *Lunch***
- 1:30 p.m. *Finding Ithaca***
Mr. Robert Weathers, Historic Interpreter portraying George Wythe
- 2:30 p.m. *Break***
- 2:35 p.m. *Use (and Abuse) of Artificial Intelligence in the Practice of Law***
Hon. John G. Browning, Distinguished Jurist in Residence, Faulkner University Thomas Goode Jones School of Law; Mr. Ray Brescia, Associate Dean for Research & Intellectual Life and the Hon. Harold R. Tyler Chair in Law & Technology, Albany Law School
- 4:05 p.m. *Adjournment/Evaluations***

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Thursday, May 14, 2026

- 8:00 a.m. *The Supreme Court and Mass Incarceration***
Professor Rachel E. Barkow, Charles Seligson Professor of Law, NYU
School of Law
- 9:00 a.m. *Break***
- 9:05 a.m. *The Amended Rule of Evidence 702 on Testimony by Expert Witnesses***
Distinguished University Professor David E. Bernstein, Antonin Scalia Law
School, George Mason University
- 10:05 a.m. *Break***
- 10:10 a.m. *Law as a Weapon of War in 2026***
Professor Orde F. Kittrie, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona
State University
- 11:10 a.m. *Lunch***
- 12:10 p.m. *Recent Military Justice Scholarship, Including:***
A Canadian Model for U.S. Military Cannabis Policy;
MAJ Nicholas D. Turner, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, Military Intelligence
Readiness Command
The Collateral Consequences of Court-Martial Convictions and the
Need to Reform Military Sentencing Practice;
Major Emma Fowler, Senior Defense Counsel
Peremptory Challenges in Capital Courts-Martial: Historical Analysis,
Modern Capital Voir Dire, and Proposed Changes
Major Joshua R. Storm, U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps
- 1:40 p.m. *Break***
- 1:45 p.m. *Professional Responsibility: Legal Ethics as Leaders in a Dual***
Profession Part I
Major Curtis N. Cranston, Associate Professor, The Judge Advocate
General's Legal Center & School (TJAGLCS)
- 2:45 p.m. *Break***
- 2:50 p.m. *Professional Responsibility: Legal Ethics as Leaders in a Dual***
Profession Part II
Major Curtis N. Cranston, Associate Professor, The Judge Advocate
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- 3:50 p.m. *Adjournment/Evaluations***