

DANA J. CHASE, ARMY CHIEF TRIAL ATTORNEY

EDUCATION

The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (TJAGLCS), LL.M. 2005, Contract and Fiscal Law

Ohio Northern University, College of Law, Ada, Ohio, J.D. 1996

University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Green Bay, WI, B.S., Cum Laude, 1993, Social Change and Development

EXPERIENCE

ARMY CHIEF TRIAL ATTORNEY, U.S. ARMY LEGAL SERVICE AGENCY, CONTRACT LITIGATION & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DIVISION

FORT BELVOIR, VA

NOVEMBER 2023-PRESENT

- Serves as the Chief Trial Attorney for all Army contract appeals before the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals (ASBCA) and the U.S Court of Federal Claims (COFC). Responsible for guidance and direction on all aspects of contract claims and dispute litigation from litigation strategy to briefs.
- Provides litigation direction in coordination with the Chief, Bid Protests for all Army protests before the Government Accountability Office (GAO), COFC, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC).
- Serves on panels and provides blocks of instructions at The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (TJAGLCS) and other Army venues on contract litigation matters.
- Provides training and mentorship to all personnel assigned to the Contract Litigation & Intellectual Property Division (KLIP).
- Maintain communications and liaison with clients, senior leadership, Army Office of General Counsel and other supporting agencies about contract law developments and potential impacts on litigation of contract disputes and protests.

SENIOR TRIAL ATTORNEY, U.S. ARMY LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY, CONTRACT LITIGATION & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DIVISION

FORT BELVOIR, VA

APRIL 2017-NOVEMBER 2023

- Serves as the agency counsel in bid protests before the GAO. Responsible for all aspects of protest litigation including preparing and filing the agency report and preparing high-quality legal arguments in defense of source selection decisions.
- Serves as an Attorney-Advisor in contract disputes before the ASBCA. Responsible for all aspects of dispute litigation including submission of the Army's Rule 4 file, drafting and submitting initial pleadings, conducting written and oral discovery, motion practice, preparing witnesses for hearing, representing the Army at hearings, and preparing pre-hearing and post-hearing briefs.
- Supports the Department of Justice, as required, in bid protests and contract appeals filed with the COFC, and cases that progress to the CAFC.

- Provides training and mentorship to personnel assigned as trial attorneys and paralegals to KLIP. Nicknamed, “The Dean” by trial teammates.
- Provides updates and briefs to senior leaders on various high visibility bid protests and contract disputes. Appointed to lead teams of trial attorneys in litigation affecting major Army programs with Department of Defense wide impact.
- Provides instruction to various courses held at TJAGLCS on issues concerning bid protest and contract disputes litigation, as well as, to the Army Materiel Command (AMC) Continuing Legal Education (CLE) program.
- Serves as acting Chief, Bid Protests and acting Chief, Trial Attorney as needed.

CHIEF COUNSEL, EXPEDITIONARY CONTRACTING COMMAND

REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL

JULY 2016-FEBRUARY 2017

- Served as primary legal advisor to the Commander and Staff of Headquarters, Expeditionary Contracting Command (HQ ECC) and supported all subordinate commands.
- Provided legal services in the areas of contract and fiscal law, labor and employment law, administrative law and military justice for issues affecting ECC and Army Contracting Command (ACC).
- Managed legal services provided by 37 legal personnel at HQ, ECC, 6 globally dispersed Contracting Support Brigades, and one command in Afghanistan, totaling more than 1,500 contracting professionals that managed more than 47,000 expeditionary contract actions, totaling over 2 billion annually.
- Regularly coordinated with ACC and Army Materiel Command (AMC) leadership on issues that would impact Army contracting writ large.
- Provided instruction at the TJAGLCS Advanced Contract Attorneys Course and the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) CLE.

CHAIR AND PROFESSOR, CONTRACT AND FISCAL LAW DEPARTMENT, TJAGLCS

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA

JUNE 2014-JULY 2016

- Managed a team of seven active duty Associate Professors, and eight Reserve Adjunct Professors responsible for providing instruction to over 10,000 students annually at in-residence courses and online courses.
- Supervised and evaluated the written and oral communication of the entire faculty team to students and the field at in-residence courses and in annual publications.
- Advised Graduate Course students in contract and fiscal law matters, particularly providing feedback on professional writing submitted to obtain the LL.M.
- Taught Officer Basic Course students, Graduate Course students, short course attendees and others in a wide-variety of contract and fiscal law topics.
- Taught the Disputes and Remedies elective to Graduate Course students, which provided instruction in defense of bid protests before the GAO and COFC, and defense of contract appeals before the ASBCA.
- Conducted research to keep apprised of recent trends in government contracting and provided legal advice regarding contract and fiscal law issues to the staff and Commanding General, TJAGLCS.
- Served as advisor to TJAGLCS leadership on contract and fiscal law matters.

**COMMAND JUDGE ADVOCATE, AREA SUPPORT GROUP-KUWAIT
CAMP ARIEFJAN, KUWAIT**

JUNE 2013-JUNE 2014

- Managed a team of four attorneys and three paralegals providing legal support to the Area Support Group-Kuwait command team as well as individual Soldiers. Particularly in the areas of contract and fiscal law, national security law, federal employment law, administrative law, ethics, criminal law, and legal assistance.
- Provided comprehensive oral and written legal advice and analysis in all contract and fiscal law matters in an organization with an annual budget of nearly \$1 billion. Regularly advised senior leaders on complex and sensitive contract administration and formation matters.
- Supervised the written and oral communication of over 500 actions ranging from contract and fiscal law, national security law, administrative law, labor and employment law, ethics, and criminal law.
- Evaluated and presented training to commanders, staff, and other attorneys in the areas of contract and fiscal law and ethics.

**SENIOR MILITARY LEGAL ADVISOR, DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY
FORT BELVOIR, VA**

JUNE 2012-JUNE 2013

- Provided legal advice to the Director, Defense Logistics Agency, Joint Operations, Joint Logistics and Operations Center, Joint Contingency Acquisition Support Office, Joint Reserve Force and Military Personnel on acquisition and fiscal law issues and policy, national security law, administrative law, military personnel law, and criminal law.
- Regularly advised senior leaders including SES, 1, 2, and 3-Star General Officers on complex and sensitive matters in contract and fiscal law, labor and employment law, ethics, and national security law.
- Regularly worked with other staff sections and counterparts at outside agencies to develop various agreements and facilitate successful transition of logistics support in compliance with administrative and civil law.
- Provided feedback and assistance to the Chief Trial Attorney, Defense Logistics Agency on bid protest matters and contract appeals; assisting with review, editing and writing of legal memoranda, briefs, and motions for submission to the GAO and the ASBCA.

**TRIAL TEAM CHIEF, CONTRACT AND FISCAL LAW DIVISION,
U.S. ARMY LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY,
FORT BELVOIR, VA**

JUNE 2009-JUNE 2012

- Managed a team of seven trial attorneys and three paraprofessionals in a fast-paced contract litigation office; responsible for managing and conducting litigation on multi-million-dollar contract appeals before the ASBCA and bid protests before the GAO and COFC.
- Supervised and reviewed written legal memoranda, briefs, and motions as well as oral communication successfully advocating for the government before the ASBCA and GAO in over 170 cases.

- Developed personalized litigation training and provided guidance to ensure professional growth and success in the Army and in the Contract and Fiscal Law Division (KFLD now KLIP).
- Personally litigated 44 appeals before the ASBCA and over 50 bid protests before the GAO; obtaining positive results for the government.

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, ADMINISTRATIVE AND CIVIL LAW DEPARTMENT, TJAGLCS
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA JUNE 2005-JUNE 2009**

- Responsible for managing the tax and estate planning instruction to 12 Office Basic Courses, four Graduate Courses, and 24 in-residence short courses; successfully trained a generation of judge advocates on the intricacies of estate planning and tax law.
- Managed the TJAGLCS tax program training and supervising Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) preparers; successfully filing hundreds of federal and state tax returns annually.
- Researched and wrote several articles published in The Army Lawyer, providing tax and estate planning information to judge advocates and civilian attorneys.
- Researched and wrote new course materials in the areas of long-term care issues, elder law, probate, and trusts.

**CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE AND CIVIL LAW, U.S. ARMY SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND
FORT LIBERTY, NC JUNE 2002-JUNE 2004**

- Responsible for providing legal advice on all administrative and civil law matters arising within the whole of U.S. Army Special Operations Command specifically in the areas of contract and fiscal law, ethics, labor and personnel law, government information practices, investigations, and civil litigation.
- Successfully completed over 400 legal actions; presented several classes in the areas of procurement fraud and ethics; and developed written guidance for investigating officers.
- Responsible for reviewing and providing legal advice to contracting officers on contract formation and contract administration issues; assisted to the Contract Appeals Division in defending bid protests and contract appeals.
- Hand-selected to serve as the Command Judge Advocate (CJA) for the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School (JFKSWCS) when the prior CJA unexpectedly departed.

**BRIGADE JUDGE ADVOCATE, 5TH RECRUITING BRIGADE, U.S. ARMY RECRUITING COMMAND
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO, TX JUNE 2000-JUNE 2002**

- Managed a team consisting of one civilian attorney, one legal technician and one paralegal to provide legal support to an organization spread throughout several states on a wide-variety of administrative, civil, and criminal law matters; reviewing written advice presented to the Commander to ensure compliance with applicable law and regulations.
- Responsible for representing the government at courts-martial and separation boards; providing legal review of investigations and ethic opinions.
- Duties included legal research, preparing written motions, conducting investigations, interviewing witnesses, and preparing written legal analysis.

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW ATTORNEY, LEGAL ASSISTANCE ATTORNEY AND TRIAL COUNSEL
III CORPS AND FORT CAVAZOS, FORT CAVAZOS, TX JANUARY 1997-JUNE 2000**

- Served in a variety of positions obtaining knowledge in all areas of administrative and civil law to include ethics, environmental law, labor and employment law, investigations, and military personnel law. Duties included legal research, preparing legal memoranda, representing the government at hearings, and presenting classes to all grades of personnel.
- Served as a legal assistance attorney providing legal support to over 50,000 eligible clients in the areas of family law, consumer law, landlord tenant law, and other personal legal matters. Duties included legal research, preparing written correspondence, and preparing legal documents for filing with local courts.
- Served as trial counsel to five Brigades providing advice to commanders at all levels on criminal law matters, conducting investigations, preparing written motions, and representing the government at over 20 courts-martial and separation boards.

PUBLICATIONS

- Major Dana J. Chase, *Survivor Benefits Update*, ARMY LAW., Dec. 2008.
Major Dana J. Chase and Major Daniel Sennott, *State Survivor Benefits, An Overview*, ARMY LAW., Dec. 2008.
Major Dana J. Chase, *Tax Law Note*, ARMY LAW., Dec. 2008.
Major Dana J. Chase, *Tax Law Note*, ARMY LAW., Dec. 2007.
Major Dana J. Chase, *Tax Law Note*, ARMY LAW., Dec. 2006.
Major Dana J. Chase, *Person Authorized to Designate Disposition (PADD) Update*, ARMY LAW., Feb. 2006.
Major Dana J. Chase, *Survivor Benefits Update*, ARMY LAW., Feb. 2006.
Major Dana J. Chase, *Competitive Quotes on FSS Buys: Hold the Pickle, Hold the Mayo – Can You Have it Your Way and Still Have Competition?*, 184 MIL. L. REV. 129 (2005).