



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL MICHAEL A. LEWIS

Lieutenant Colonel Michael A. Lewis is the Chief of the Military Justice Division, Air Force Legal Operations Agency. The Military Justice Division provides opinions and advice to the Secretary of the Air Force, Chief of Staff and The Judge Advocate General, responds to White House, Congressional and other high level inquiries regarding military justice policies, procedures and actions, implements Air Force-wide military justice policy, and performs liaison with the Departments of Justice and Defense.

Lieutenant Colonel Lewis entered the Air Force in December 1995 as a direct appointee after graduating from Boston College Law School. He is licensed to practice law in Massachusetts. Prior to his current assignment, he served as the Deputy Chief Trial Judge of the Air Force. He deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM and Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. Lieutenant Colonel Lewis is married to the former Wendy McCool from Sheridan, Arkansas.



EDUCATION

- 1992 Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems, *summa cum laude*, Bentley College, MA
- 1995 Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, Boston College, MA
- 1998 Squadron Officer's School, by correspondence
- 2001 Squadron Officer's School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL (Distinguished Graduate)
- 2004 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
- 2012 Air War College, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. January 1996 – September 1998, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Civil Law), 314th Airlift Wing, Little Rock Air Force Base, AR
2. September 1998 - May 1999, Claims Officer, 92d Air Refueling Wing, Fairchild Air Force Base, WA
3. May 1999 - June 2001, Area Defense Counsel, Air Force Legal Services Agency, Fairchild, Air Force Base, WA
4. June 2001 - January 2004, Assistant Professor of Law, Headquarters U.S. Air Force Academy, CO
5. January 2004 - November 2005, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, 437th Airlift Wing, Charleston Air Force Base, SC (September 2004 - January 2005, Legal Advisor, Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategy, Plans, and Assessment, Multi-national Force Iraq, U.S. Embassy, Baghdad, Iraq)

6. November 2005 - June 2008, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, 435th Air Base Wing, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
7. June 2008 – July 2011, Staff Judge Advocate, 27th Special Operations Wing, Cannon AFB, NM (September 2009 – February 2010, Staff Judge Advocate, Combined Joint Special Operations Air Component)
8. July 2011 – July 2013, Deputy Chief Trial Judge, Headquarters Air Force Trial Judiciary, Joint Base Andrews, MD
9. July 2013 – Present, Chief, Military Justice Division, Air Force Legal Operations Agency, Joint Base Andrews, MD

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with silver oak leaf cluster
Joint Service Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Iraq Campaign Medal with two bronze service stars
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border
2006 USAFE Outstanding Judge Advocate of the Year
2003 American Bar Association, Young Lawyer Division, Air Force Attorney of the Year

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

First Lieutenant	5 December 1995
Captain	1 July 1996
Major	1 December 2002
Lieutenant Colonel	1 January 2009

(Current as of July 2013)