



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL R. CRAIG BURTON

Lieutenant Colonel R. Craig Burton is the Chief of the Justice & Court Activities within 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 Burton attended Utah State University, graduating in 1993 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Pre-law (Political Science), with honors. He graduated from the University of Utah S. J. Quinney College of Law in December 1995 and was admitted to practice law by the Utah State Bar Association in May 1996. In 2005 he graduated from The George Washington University Law School with a Master of Laws degree in International and Comparative Law.

Lieutenant Colonel Burton received a direct appointment to the JAG Corps and was commissioned on 5 June 1996.

Lieutenant Colonel Burton and his wife April are the parents of eight children: Brach, Packer, Jake, Isaac, Ellie, Emma, Madison and Reese.



EDUCATION:

- 1993 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Utah State University, Logan, UT
- 1995 Juris Doctor, University of Utah S. J. Quinney College of Law, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2001 Squadron Officer's School (by Correspondence)
- 2003 Air Command and Staff College (by Correspondence)
- 2005 LLM, International & Comparative Law, George Washington University, Washington D.C.
- 2011 Air War College (by Correspondence)

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. June 96 – June 99: Chief, Legal Assistance; Chief, Adverse Actions; Chief, Operations Law – 49th Fighter Wing, Holloman AFB, NM
2. June 99 – May 02: Chief, Claims; Chief, Military Justice – 347th Rescue Wing, Moody AFB, GA
3. May 02 – June 04: Chief, Legal Engagements – HQ 12th Air Force, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
4. June 04 – July 05: LLM, International & Comparative Law – The George Washington University, Washington D.C.
5. July 05 – July 08: Professor, International and Operational Law Department – The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center & School (Army), Charlottesville, VA
6. July 08 – July 10: Staff Judge Advocate – 75th Air Base Wing / Deputy Staff Judge Advocate – Ogden Air Logistics Center, Hill AFB, UT

7. July 10 – July 13: Staff Judge Advocate – 628th Air Base Wing, JB Charleston, SC
8. July 13 – Present: Chief, Justice & Court Activities – JAJM, JB Andrews, MD

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal (4 OLC)
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (3 OLC)
National Defense Service Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Air Force Longevity Service (3 OLC)
Air Force Training Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

First Lieutenant	5 June 1996
Captain	6 December 1996
Major	1 March 2003
Lieutenant Colonel	1 May 2009

(Current as of July 2013)