



UNITED STATES NAVY

JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS



CAPT David M. Harrison , JAGC, USN

A native of Baltimore, Maryland, Captain Harrison graduated from Towson State University in 1988 with an undergraduate degree in Political Science with Economics minor. He received his Juris Doctorate in 1991 from the University of Baltimore School of Law and is admitted to the Maryland Bar. He is currently serving as Commanding Officer, Region Legal Service Office Southwest; a command that provides prosecution as well as other legal services and support to Navy commands and naval personnel throughout the Southwest Region.

Captain Harrison was commissioned an Ensign through the Judge Advocate General's Corps Student Program in 1990 and completed internships at the Office of the Judge Advocate General, Administrative Law Division and Naval Legal Service Office, Washington, D.C. Upon completion of Naval Justice School in Newport, Rhode Island in 1992, Captain Harrison was assigned to Naval Legal Service Office San Diego. In that assignment, he represented service members before the Physical Evaluation Board, served as trial counsel at Naval Air Station, North Island Detachment, and completed his tour serving as defense counsel. In 1994, Captain Harrison reported to the Navy-Marine Corps Appellate Review Activity, Appellate Government Division in Washington, D.C. to serve as appellate counsel representing the United States before the Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals and the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. In this position he distinguished himself in over 20 oral arguments before the courts.

Captain Harrison reported as Senior Defense Counsel in April 1997 to U.S. Naval Legal Service Office Pacific in Yokosuka, Japan. He had the distinction of defending two capital murder cases, one in Japan and one in Korea, concurrently. He completed his first overseas tour as the Claims Officer and Civil Law Department Head. Captain Harrison transferred in September 2000 to serve as the Assistant Force Judge Advocate for Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet in Coronado, California where he coordinated force administrative law,

personnel law and military justice matters.

In June 2002, Captain Harrison reported to Commander, THIRD U.S. Fleet, permanently embarked on USS CORONADO (AGF 11), to serve as the Deputy Fleet Judge Advocate. A participant in Operations Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom and numerous fleet and theater exercises, he also coordinated fleet environmental matters. Captain Harrison completed his second overseas tour as Executive Officer of U.S. Naval Legal Service Office Pacific, Yokosuka, Japan in June 2006. His next assignment was to Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii where he served as the Force Judge Advocate. Captain Harrison was most recently assigned to the Office of the Judge Advocate General as the Director of the Criminal Law Division. In that position he advised the Judge Advocate General of the Navy and other senior officials on criminal law matters and developed criminal law policy for the Department of the Navy.

Captain Harrison's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (five awards), Navy Commendation Medal and Navy Achievement Medal.