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Col. Darpino graduated from Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania in 1983 with a Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Economics. She earned her J.D. in 1986 from Rutgers - Camden School of Law, Camden, New Jersey. She earned her Masters in Law with Honors from The Judge Advocate General’s School in Charlottesville, Virginia. Her military education includes the Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course, Judge Advocate Officer Graduate Course, Army Command and General Staff College and the Army War College Fellowship Program. Her awards include the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal (5 OLC), the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal (2), Iraqi Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Army Service Ribbon; and the Overseas Service Ribbon.

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**Eric Fair**

Eric Fair graduated from Boston University in 1994 and enlisted into the United States Army. He was sent to Monterey California where he studied Arabic at the Defense Language Institute. He spent the next three years with the 101st Airborne (Air Assault) Division located in Ft. Campbell, Kentucky working in military intelligence. He deployed to Egypt and Israel as a member of the Multinational Force and Observers in 1999. He received an honorable discharge in 2000.

In 2001, Mr. Fair was hired as a police officer in Bethlehem, PA. He left the department in 2003 in order to be a part of the war effort in Iraq. He was offered a position as an interrogator by CACI and worked in Baghdad, Abu Ghraib, and Fallujah. He resigned his position in summer 2004. He was subsequently hired as a civilian employee of the Department of Defense and returned to Iraq in 2005 to serve as an intelligence analyst.

Mr. Fair left the government in early 2006, and will attend Princeton Theological Seminary in the fall of 2007 in order to pursue the ministry.

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Deborah Pearlstein is currently a Visiting Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs at Princeton University. An expert in U.S. constitutional law, Ms. Pearlstein's work focuses on U.S. counterterrorism and national security policies, executive power, and the role of the courts. She has published numerous popular and academic writings on the Constitution, executive power, and national security. Her most recent articles consider the role of the military as a constraint on executive power, and the Constitution and changing executive competencies in the post-Cold War world.

From 2003-2006, Ms. Pearlstein served as the founding director of the Law and Security Program at Human Rights First, where she led the organization’s efforts in research, litigation and advocacy surrounding U.S. detention and interrogation operations. Among other projects, Ms. Pearlstein led the organization's first monitoring mission to the U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and co-authored a series of reports on the human rights impact of U.S. national security policy, including a landmark report on U.S. secret detention facilities, Behind the Wire. She also launched a series of off-the-record workshops bringing together the human rights, military, and national security communities.
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Mr. Powell began his career as a computer scientist at the Federal Bureau of Investigation
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After service in the Air Force, Mr. Powell attended Columbia Law School, where he was a
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Mr. Powell practiced law at Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd & Evans in Washington, D.C., where he was part of the trial team that won the largest antitrust verdict in U.S. history. He next joined Vitria Technology, Inc, in Sunnyvale, California as Corporate Counsel. At Vitria, he handled securities, licensing, litigation, and intellectual property matters. He also oversaw European and Latin American legal issues for the company. He most recently served as an Associate Counsel to the President and Special Assistant to the President, where his work included advising on various initiatives related to reform of the Intelligence Community and creation of the Director of National Intelligence, liaison to The Commission on the Intelligence Capabilities of the United States regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction (“Silberman-Robb Commission”), and work with the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of State, the Department of Justice, the Department of Commerce, and NASA.

Mr. Powell holds two undergraduate degrees as part of the Management and Technology Program at the University of Pennsylvania, where he graduated magna cum laude with a degree in Economics from the Wharton School of Business and a degree in Applied Science from the School of Engineering and Applied Science. He is a member of the bar in California, the District of Columbia, and New York; and he has published research in the field of artificial intelligence and neural networks.

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Col. Ryan’s initial tour as a Judge Advocate was at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where she served as Senior Trial Counsel (Prosecutor). In 1990, she deployed to Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm as a Brigade Legal Counsel, returning to Fort Sill to be the Senior Defense Counsel. Other assignments include Assistant Professor, Department of Law, West Point; Chief of Military Justice and Officer-in-Charge, Fort Shafter Branch Office, 25th Infantry Division (Light), Hawaii; Deputy Staff Judge Advocate for the Army Medical Department Center and School, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas; and Academy Professor and Deputy Head, Department of Law, West Point. Col. Ryan became the Professor and Head of the department in September, 2007.

Col. Ryan, a member of the New York State Bar, holds a Master of Laws from the Army Judge Advocate General’s School, a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, and has published and presented in the areas of Law and Leadership, the Law of Armed Conflict, and Military Justice.

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**Colonel Pat Shaw**

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