



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL SHANNON L. SHERWIN

Colonel Shannon L. Sherwin is the Staff Judge Advocate, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command (AETC), Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, TX. AETC is responsible for the recruiting, training, and education of Air Force personnel. The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate establishes policy oversight for 14 legal offices, including six general court-martial jurisdictions, which provide legal services to over 62,000 active duty, Reserve, and Guard personnel.

Col Sherwin received a direct commission as an Air Force judge advocate in November 1997 and entered active duty in January 1998. She has served as a headquarters director; an installation, deployed, and Numbered Air Force staff judge advocate; an installation and Major Command deputy staff judge advocate; legal advisor to the Combat Operations Division at the Combined Air and Space Operations Center and legal advisor to the 603rd Air and Space Operations Center. She is admitted to practice law before the United States Supreme Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and the Supreme Court of the State of Colorado. Prior to her current position, Col Sherwin was the Director and Chief Information Officer, Legal Information Services Directorate, Headquarters Air Force, Maxwell, Air Force Base Alabama.



EDUCATION

- 1994 Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communication, *cum laude*, Creighton University, Omaha NE
- 1997 Juris Doctor, University of Denver College of Law, Denver CO
- 1999 Squadron Officer School (Correspondence)
- 2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 2005 Air Command and Staff College (Correspondence)
- 2008 Masters of Law, Military law w/International Law Specialty, TJAGLCS, Charlottesville VA
- 2012 Air War College (Correspondence, *Outstanding Graduate*)
- 2017 Masters in Strategic Studies, Grand Strategy, Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1998 – June 2001, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Civil Law, Labor Law, Contracts and Military Justice), 355th Fighter Wing, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
2. June 2001 – June 2004, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Civil Law, Labor Law, Claims, and Branch Chief Military Justice), 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson AFB, AK
3. June 2004 – August 2005, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Military Law), 460th Space Wing, Buckley AFB, CO (January 2005 – May 2005, Staff Judge Advocate, 455th Air Expeditionary Wing, Bagram Air Field, Afghanistan)
4. September 2005 – August 2007, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, 460th Space Wing, Buckley AFB, CO (September 2006 – January 2007, Judge Advocate, Combat Operations Division, Combined Air and Space Operations Center, Qatar)
5. August 2007- May 2008, LLM Student, The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center & School, Charlottesville, VA

6. June 2008 – July 2009, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief, International Law), 3rd Air Force, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
7. July 2009 – July 2010, Legal Advisor, 603rd Air and Space Operations Center, Ramstein AB, Germany
8. July 2010 – June 2011, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief, Military Justice), 3rd Air Force, Ramstein AB, Germany (April 2011, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief, Air Operations Law), Joint Task Force Odyssey Dawn, on board USS Mount Whitney, Gaeta, Italy)
9. July 2011 – July 2014, Staff Judge Advocate, 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson AFB, AK
10. July 2014 - August 2015 – Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, FL
11. August 2015 – June 2016, Staff Judge Advocate, Air Force Safety Center, Kirtland AFB, NM
12. June 2016 – May 2017, Student, Air War College, Grand Strategy Seminar, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL
13. June 2017 – July 2019, Staff Judge Advocate, 96th Test Wing, Eglin AFB, FL
14. July 2019 – June 2021, Staff Judge Advocate, 20th Air Force, F. E. Warren AFB, WY
15. July 2021 – July 2022, Director and Chief Information Officer, Legal Information Services Directorate Headquarters USAF, Maxwell AFB, AL
16. July 2022 – Present, Staff Judge Advocate, HQ Air Education and Training Command, JBSA-Randolph, TX

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with seven oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

First Lieutenant	17 November 1997
Captain	4 July 1998
Major	1 November 2004
Lieutenant Colonel	1 November 2010
Colonel	1 March 2016

(Current as of July 2022)