

## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES<sup>1</sup>

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SCOTT W. STUCKY, chief judge; born in Hutchinson, KS; B.A. *summa cum laude*, Wichita State University, 1970; J.D., Harvard Law School, 1973; M.A., Trinity University, 1980; LL.M. with highest honors, George Washington University, 1983; Federal Executive Institute, 1988; Harvard Program for Senior Officials in National Security, 1990; National War College, 1993; admitted to bar, Kansas and District of Columbia; U.S. Air Force, judge advocate, 1973-78; U.S. Air Force Reserve, 1982-2003 (retired as colonel); married to Jean Elsie Seibert of Oxon Hill, MD, August 18, 1973; children: Mary-Clare and Joseph; private law practice, Washington, DC, 1978-82; branch chief, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 1982-83; legislative counsel and principal legislative counsel, U.S. Air Force, 1983-96; General Counsel, Committee on Armed Services, U.S. Senate, 1996-2001 and 2003-06; Minority Counsel, 2001-03; National Commander-in-Chief, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, 1993-95; Board of Directors, Adoption Service Information Agency, 1998-2002 and 2004-07; Board of Directors, Omicron Delta Kappa Society, 2006-10; member, Federal Bar Association (Pentagon Chapter), Judge Advocates Association, the District of Columbia Bar; OPM LEGIS Fellow, office of Senator John Warner (R-VA), 1986-87; member and panel chairman, Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records, 1989-96; nominated by President George W. Bush to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces on November 15, 2006; confirmed by the Senate, December 9, 2006; began service on December 20, 2006, and became Chief Judge on August 1, 2017.

MARGARET A. RYAN, judge; born in Chicago, IL; B.A. *cum laude*, Knox College; J.D., *summa cum laude*, University of Notre Dame Law School; recipient of the William T. Kirby Legal Writing Award and the Colonel William J. Hoynes Award for Outstanding Scholarship; active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps, 1986-99, serving as a communications officer, staff officer, company commander, platoon commander, and operations officer in units within the II and III Marine Expeditionary Forces and as a judge advocate in Okinawa, Japan, and Quantico, VA; also served as Aide de Camp to General Charles C. Krulak, the 31st Commandant of the Marine Corps; law clerk to the Honorable J. Michael Luttig, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, and law clerk to the Honorable Clarence Thomas, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; litigation partner at the law firm of Bartlik Beck Herman Palenchar and Scott LLP and partner in litigation and appellate practices at the law firm Wiley Rein Fielding LLP; nominated by President George W. Bush to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces on November 15, 2006; confirmed by the Senate on December 9, 2006; began service on December 20, 2006.

KEVIN A. OHLSON, judge; born in Sterling, MA; B.A., Washington and Jefferson College, 1982; four-year Army R.O.T.C. scholarship; Phi Beta Kappa; Air Assault training with the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, 1980; J.D., University of Virginia School of Law, 1985; Airborne training at Fort Benning, GA, 1986; administrative law officer and trial counsel at Fort Bragg, NC, 1986-89; federal prosecutor in Washington, D.C., 1989-97; volunteered to return to active duty and served as a legal advisor to the XVIII Airborne Corps Command Staff during Operation Desert Storm, 1990-91; awarded the Bronze Star; returned to the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia and resumed duties as a federal prosecutor; Chief of Staff to the Deputy Attorney General, 1997-2001; member of the Board of Immigration Appeals, 2001-03; deputy director, and then the director, of the Executive Office for Immigration Review, 2003-09; Chief of Staff and Counselor to the Attorney General of the United States, 2009-2011; chief of the Professional Misconduct Review Unit at the Department of Justice, 2011-13; nominated by the President and confirmed

<sup>1</sup> Prior to October 5, 1994, United States Court of Military Appeals.

by the Senate to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; began service on November 1, 2013.

JOHN E. SPARKS, Jr., judge; born in Mount Holly, NJ; B.S., U.S. Naval Academy, 1976; J.D., University of Connecticut School of Law, 1986; Military Service, U.S. Navy 1971; U.S. Marine Corps 1976–98, as an Infantry Officer, and a variety of legal positions including military prosecutor, defense counsel, legal adviser to a naval hospital, military judge, Military Assistant and Special Counsel to the General Counsel of the Navy, and in the White House as a Deputy Legal Adviser to the National Security Council; Special Assistant for Civil Rights to the Secretary of Agriculture, 1998; Principal Deputy General Counsel of the Navy, 1999–2000; senior legal advisor to then Judge and later Chief Judge James E. Baker, United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 2000–15; nominated by President Barack Obama and confirmed by the Senate to serve on the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; began service on April 8, 2016.

#### SENIOR JUDGES

WALTER THOMPSON COX III, senior judge; born in Anderson, SC; son of Walter T. Cox and Mary Johnson Cox; married to Vicki Grubbs of Anderson, SC, February 8, 1963; children: Lisa and Walter; B.S., Clemson University, 1964; J.D., *cum laude*, University of South Carolina School of Law, 1967; graduated Defense Language Institute (German), 1969; graduated basic course, the Judge Advocate General's School, Charlottesville, VA, 1967; studied procurement law at that same school, 1968; active duty, U.S. Army judge advocate general's corps, 1964–72 (1964–67, excess leave to U.S.C. Law School); private law practice, 1973–78; elected resident judge, 10th Judicial Circuit, South Carolina, 1978–84; also served as acting associate justice of South Carolina supreme court, on the judicial council, on the circuit court advisory committee, and as a hearing officer of the judicial standards commission; member: bar of the Supreme Court of the United States; bar of the U.S. Court of Military Appeals; South Carolina Bar Association; Anderson County Bar Association; the American Bar Association; the South Carolina Trial Lawyers Association; the Federal Bar Association; and the Bar Association of the District of Columbia; has served as a member of the House of Delegates of the South Carolina Bar, and the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline; nominated by President Reagan, as judge of U.S. Court of Military Appeals, June 28, 1984, for a term of 15 years; confirmed by the Senate, July 26, 1984; sworn-in and officially assumed his duties on September 6, 1984; retired on September 30, 1999 and immediately assumed status of Senior Judge on October 1, 1999 and returned to full active service until September 19, 2000.

EUGENE R. SULLIVAN, senior judge; born in St. Louis, MO; son of Raymond V. and Rosemary K. Sullivan; married to Lis U. Johansen of Ribe, Denmark, June 18, 1966; children: Kim A. and Eugene R. II; B.S., U.S. Military Academy, West Point, 1964; J.D., Georgetown Law Center, Washington, DC, 1971; active duty with the U.S. Army, 1964–69; service included duty with the 3rd Armored Division in Germany, and the 4th Infantry Division in Vietnam; R&D assignments with the Army Aviation Systems Command; one year as an instructor at the Army Ranger School, Ft. Benning, GA; decorations include: Bronze Star, Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Ranger and Parachutist Badges, Air Force Exceptional Civilian Service Medal; following graduation from law school, clerked with U.S. Court of Appeals (8th Circuit), St. Louis, 1971–72; private law practice, Washington, DC, 1972–74; assistant special counsel, White House, 1974; trial attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, 1974–82; deputy general counsel, Department of the Air Force, 1982–84; general counsel of the Department of Air Force, 1984–86; Governor of Wake Island, 1984–86; presently serves on the Board of Governors for the West Point Society of the District of Columbia; the American Cancer Society (Montgomery County Chapter); nominated by President Reagan, as judge, U.S. Court of Military Appeals on February 25, 1986, and confirmed by the Senate on May 20, 1986, and assumed his office on May 27, 1986; President George H.W. Bush named him the chief judge of the U.S. Court of Military Appeals, effective October 1, 1990, a position he held for five years; he retired on September 30, 2001 and immediately assumed status of Senior Judge and returned to full active service until Sept. 30, 2002.

SUSAN J. CRAWFORD, senior judge; born in Pittsburgh, PA; daughter of William E. and Joan B. Crawford; married to Roger W. Higgins of Geneva, NY, September 8, 1979; one child, Kelley S. Higgins; B.A., Bucknell University, Pennsylvania, 1969; J.D., *cum laude*, Dean's Award, Arthur McClean Founder's Award, New England School of Law, Boston, MA, 1977; history teacher and coach of women's athletics, Radnor High School, Pennsylvania, 1969–74; associate, Burnett and Eiswert, Oakland, MD, 1977–79; Assistant State's Attorney,

Garrett County, Maryland, 1978–80; partner, Burnett, Eiswert and Crawford, 1979–81; instructor, Garrett County Community College, 1979–81; deputy general counsel, 1981–83, and general counsel, Department of the Army, 1983–89; special counsel to Secretary of Defense, 1989; inspector general, Department of Defense, 1989–91; member: bar of the Supreme Court of the United States; bar of the U.S. Court of Military Appeals, Maryland Bar Association, District of Columbia Bar Association, American Bar Association, Federal Bar Association, and the Edward Bennett Williams American Inn of Court; member: board of trustees, 1989–present, and Corporation, 1992–present, of New England School of Law; board of trustees, 1988–present, Bucknell University; nominated by President Bush as judge, U.S. Court of Military Appeals, February 19, 1991, for a term of 15 years; confirmed by the Senate on November 14, 1991, sworn in and officially assumed her duties on November 19, 1991; on October 1, 1999, she became the Chief Judge for a term of five years; retired on September 30, 2006 and assumed the status of Senior Judge on October 1, 2006.

ANDREW S. EFFRON, senior judge; born in Stamford, CT; A.B., Harvard College, 1970; J.D., Harvard Law School, 1975; The Judge Advocate General's School, U.S. Army, 1976, 1983; legislative aide to the late Representative William A. Steiger, 1970–76 (two years full-time, the balance between school semesters); judge advocate, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Fort McClellan, Alabama, 1976–77; attorney-adviser, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Defense, 1977–87; Counsel, General Counsel, and Minority Counsel, Committee on Armed Services, U.S. Senate, 1987–96; nominated by President Clinton to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, June 21, 1996; confirmed by the Senate, July 12, 1996; took office on August 1, 1996; assumed his duties on August 1, 1996. On October 1, 2006, he became Chief Judge for a five year term, and immediately assumed status as Senior Judge on October 1, 2011.

JAMES E. BAKER, senior judge; born in New Haven, CT; education: B.A., Yale University, 1982; J.D., Yale Law School, 1990; Attorney, Department of State, 1990–93; Counsel, President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board/Intelligence Oversight Board, 1993–94; Deputy Legal Advisor, National Security Council, 1994–97; Special Assistant to the President and Legal Advisor, National Security Council, 1997–2000; military service: U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Marine Corp Reserve; nominated by President Clinton to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; began service on September 19, 2000, and became Chief Judge on October 1, 2011; became a Senior Judge on August 1, 2015.

CHARLES E. ERDMANN, senior judge; born in Great Falls, MT; B.A., Montana State University, 1972; J.D., University of Montana Law School, 1975; Air Force Judge Advocate Staff Officers Course, 1981; Air Command and Staff College, 1992; Air War College, 1994; Military Service: U.S. Marine Corps, 1967–70; Air National Guard, 1981–2002 (retired as a Colonel); Assistant Montana Attorney General, 1975–76; Chief Counsel, Montana State Auditor's Office, 1976–78; Chief Staff Attorney, Montana Attorney General's Office, Antitrust Bureau; Bureau Chief, Montana Medicaid Fraud Bureau, 1980–82; General Counsel, Montana School Boards Association, 1982–86; private practice of law, 1986–95; Associate Justice, Montana Supreme Court, 1995–97; Office of High Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Judicial Reform Coordinator, 1998–99; Office of High Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Head of Human Rights and Rule of Law Department, 1999; Chairman and Chief Judge, Bosnian Election Court, 2000–01; Judicial Reform and International Law Consultant, 2001–02; appointed by President George W. Bush to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces on October 9, 2002, commenced service on October 15, 2002 and became Chief Judge on August 1, 2015; became a Senior Judge on August 1, 2017.

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