



BIOGRAPHY

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

COLONEL MORRIS D. DAVIS

Colonel Morris D. Davis is the Department of Defense (DoD) Office of Military Commissions (OMC) Chief Prosecutor. He is responsible for directing the overall prosecution efforts of the United States in military commissions. His duties include supervising all Military Commission Prosecutors and Assistant Prosecutors, as well as advising the DoD General Counsel on matters relating to military commission prosecution activities.

Colonel Davis was born in Shelby, North Carolina, on 31 July 1958. He entered active duty in 1983 after graduating from the North Carolina Central University School of Law and admission to the North Carolina State Bar. He served as the staff judge advocate for the 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess Air Force Base, Texas; the 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi; and the 4409th Operations Group (Provisional), Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. His previous assignments as a judge advocate include serving as director of Legal Information Services, instructor (government contracts and fiscal law) and later as deputy commandant at the Air Force Judge Advocate General School, appellate government counsel, circuit trial counsel, area defense counsel, and chief of military justice. Colonel Davis completed a Master of Laws in government procurement law at the George Washington University and a Master of Laws in military law with a concentration in government procurement law at the Army Judge Advocate General School. He was selected as the Outstanding Judge Advocate for Headquarters Air Force in 1990.

EDUCATION:

1980 - Bachelor of science in criminal justice, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC

1983 - Juris doctorate, North Carolina Central University School of Law, Durham, NC

1985 - Squadron Officer School, by seminar

1992 Master of laws in military law (concentration in government procurement law), Army Judge Advocate General School, Charlottesville, VA

1992 - Master of laws in government procurement law, The National Law Center, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

1995 - Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

1999 - Air War College, by seminar

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. December 1983 to May 1985 - chief of military justice, Eastern Space and Missile Center, Patrick Air Force Base, FL
2. May 1985 to January 1988 - area defense counsel, Patrick Air Force Base, FL
3. January 1988 to May 1989 - circuit trial counsel, eastern circuit, Bolling Air Force Base, D.C.
4. May 1989 to July 1991 - appellate government counsel, Bolling Air Force Base, D.C.
5. July 1991 to June 1992 - student, LL.M. program, Army Judge Advocate General School, Charlottesville, VA
6. June 1992 to July 1995 - instructor, civil law division, Air Force Judge Advocate General School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
7. July 1995 to July 1997 - staff judge advocate, 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus Air Force Base, MS
8. July 1997 to July 2000 - staff judge advocate, 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess Air Force Base, TX
9. July 2000 to June 2003, deputy commandant, Air Force Judge Advocate General School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
10. June 2003 to January 2005, director, Air Force Legal Information Services, Air Force Legal Services Agency, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
11. January 2005 to September 2005, staff judge advocate, 20th Air Force, F.E. Warren Air Force Base, WY
12. September 2005 to present, chief prosecutor, Office of Military Commissions, Washington D.C.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Southwest Asia Service Medal

BAR ADMISSIONS:

United States Supreme Court
Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces
Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals
District of Columbia
State of North Carolina

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

First Lieutenant	7 October 1983
Captain	7 April 1984
Major	1 April 1991
Lieutenant Colonel	1 August 1996
Colonel	1 September 2001

(Current as of January 2005)