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A Message from The Judge Advocate General  
and the Deputy Judge Advocate General



## Hybrid World Wide Continuing Education 2021 (WWCLE) Wrap-Up

In continuing firsts for the WWCLE, we pivoted at the last minute and executed the first ever hybrid WWCLE, having just done our first ever virtual WWCLE last year. Once again demonstrating, as trusted professionals since 1775, we will adapt and find ways to accomplish the mission in any environment. This year's theme was getting back to basics while transforming for the future, with five packed days of legal leadership and substantive content.

We opened up the WWCLE with a moving reflection on 9/11, highlighting our Regiment's service and shared sacrifices around the globe over the past 20 years, especially in Afghanistan. Again, thank you for everything you have done and continue to do for our Army and Nation. We are proud to serve with each and every one of you.

The Legal Center and School did a fantastic job bringing in a who's who of esteemed military leaders to include: GEN (Ret.) Robert Abrams, GEN (Ret.) Robert Brown, LTG Walter Piatt, BG Christopher Norrie, and BG James Isenhower, to speak about leadership and what they expect of judge advocates. CH (MG) Thomas Solhjem and Dr. Lisa Miller spoke about promoting wellness and methods to help lead the most junior members in our formations. Additionally, we had an amazing panel on interoperability composed of our FVEY partners: MG Alexander Taylor, RDML Geneviève Bernatchez, Air Commodore Patrick Keane, and Brigadier Lisa Ferris. Finally, we closed the week with the Honorable Caroline Krass, DoD General Counsel, discussing legal leadership in support of national defense.

Likewise, we leveraged our Regiment's talent, hearing from each of the members of the Foundation, all our active duty General Officers, and subject matter experts from across our practice areas. Needless to say, our Regiment's senior leaders across components are returning to the Force invigorated and armed with increased knowledge to lead more effectively and to tackle the most consequential practice of law on earth.

Additionally, three exciting Regimental events occurred this year. First, we recognized and honored six individuals in our Judge Advocate Legal Service for their exceptional contributions to the provision of legal services in support of the U.S. Army with the Judge Advocate Legal Services Award for Excellence: SFC Jeri Fowler; CW2 Mike Hayes; Mr. Jeremiah Kelly; CPT Patrick McCarthy; Ms. Jennifer Meadows; and CW2 Jasia White. In its inaugural year, the new Sustained Outstanding Civilian Career Award was presented to Ms. Henrietta Clark; Ms. Christine Cleary; Ms. Brigitte Klose; and Mr. Mike Litak.

Next, we shared our most sincere gratitude to Colonel (Retired) Dick Gordon, who has served as the Honorary Colonel of the Regiment (HCOR) since 2017, and welcomed our new HCOR Colonel (Retired) Lisa M. Schenck. Lastly, we honored an exceptional member of the Regiment, SGM John H. Nolan, the very first Regimental Command Sergeant Major of our Corps, with a permanent place of honor within our Regimental Home in Charlottesville with the dedication of the SGM John H. Nolan Regimental Reading Room.

As you can see, it was another fantastic WWCLE, and we are looking forward to a packed house with everyone attending in-person next year.

We'll meet you on the high ground!

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