



Judge Advocate General of the Navy

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Please join me in congratulating Rear Admiral James E. McPherson, JAGC, U.S. Navy, on his nomination as Judge Advocate General of the Navy, and Captain Bruce E. MacDonald, JAGC, U.S. Navy, on his nomination as Deputy Judge Advocate General of the Navy and appointment to the grade of rear admiral.

Rear Admiral McPherson has been serving as Deputy Judge Advocate General of the Navy and Commander, Naval Legal Service Command for the past two years. Additionally, he has served as Commanding Officer, Trial Service Office East, Special Counsel to the Chief of Naval Operations, Counsel to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations, and Force Judge Advocate to Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

Captain MacDonald serves currently as Special Counsel to the Chief of Naval Operations. His most recent assignments include Commanding Officer, Naval Legal Service Office Northwest; legal advisor to the USS Greeneville Court of Inquiry; and Staff Judge Advocate to Commander, SEVENTH Fleet.

We are indeed fortunate to have these two outstanding officers lead the Navy JAG Corps to face the challenges that lie ahead. Our community could simply not be in the hands of two finer officers or better lawyers.

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