

## FBA VETERANS & MILITARY LAW SECTION

### MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 19, 2024

#### **Attendees:**

- Harvey Weiner, Courtney Richards, David Harding, Andrew McConville, Kaitlyn Degan, Dylan Perry, Mike McCarthy, Jasmine Prothero

#### **Federal Lawyer – Fall 2025 Edition**

- Amanda Myers will take the lead
- Mike: Timeline for submission can be found on the FBA site:  
(<https://www.fedbar.org/accepting-content-for-publication/>)
- Potential Subjects (at least 3 articles):
  - New Code of Military Justice

#### **Membership – Law Student Membership**

- Harvey has sent a welcome letter to new law student members
- Dylan recommends create a mentorship program
- Mike – A newsletter may be useful in engaging membership
  - The webinar was also an excellent means of engaging membership
- Kaitlyn – 2L and 3L students may be able to publish their notes with our newsletter and/or the Federal Lawyer section. (Amanda to follow-up)

#### **Webinar**

- Navigating the Legal Community (Courtney's webinar on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>)
  - Perhaps a similar webinar could be hosted with our section.
  - Courtney can put a FBA Vet & Mil Section plug in the Navigating the Legal Community webinar.

#### **Bob DeSouza – Even War Has Rules**

- March 4<sup>th</sup> – Carlisle, PA
- FBA Veterans and Military Law Section to Sponsor (free)
  - Unanimously passed motion by Kaitlyn
- Courtney will reach out to Bob about the Section's attendance at the event
- Mike – FBA can share information about the presentation.

### **Wills for Veterans Program**

- Rhode Island – No veterans have signed up for it.
  - Believed distribution issue
  - May have to postpone to refocus marketing effort
- Additional opportunities for pro bono
  - Spread the word to firms with Probate practices

### **Litigation**

- Networking – this group provides great opportunities!
- Lewis v. Bluegreen Vacations – unlikely to be heard by SCOTUS
- The President-Elect's efforts could raise additional legislative and litigation challenges requiring pro bono support (amicus briefs, etc.)
- Carol Scott is a great resources for Congressional engagement

### **Law Student Liaison**

- Anthony Phan
- Young Lawyers may also have a Liaison program

Next Meeting: Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 2 PM