

Military Law Databases

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Military law databases contain documents that relate to the system of justice for the armed forces of the United States and persons under their control as determined by decisions of military courts, including criminal proceedings and courts-martial.

In addition to military justice databases, this database list includes databases that relate to civilian review of military court decisions, veterans affairs, and federal government rules and regulations applicable directly to members of the armed forces and personnel of the Department of Defense.

Case Law and Court Documents

DATABASE	IDENTIFIER
Military Justice Cases Cases from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces and the military courts of criminal appeal. Coverage begins with 1951.	MJ
Military Justice Reporter–Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals Cases from the U.S. Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals (since 1994), the U.S. Air Force Court of Military Review (1969–1994), and the U.S. Air Force Board of Review (1951–1969). Coverage begins with 1951.	MJ-AIRFORCE
Military Justice Reporter–Army Court of Criminal Appeals Cases from the U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals (since 1994), the U.S. Army Court of Military Review (1969–1994), and the U.S. Army Board of Review (1951–1969). Coverage begins with 1951.	MJ-ARMY
Military Justice Reporter–Coast Guard Court of Criminal Appeals Cases from the U.S. Coast Guard Court of Criminal Appeals (since 1994), the U.S. Coast Guard Court of Military Review (1969–1994), and the U.S. Coast Guard Board of Review (1951–1969). Coverage begins with 1951.	MJ-COASTGUARD
Military Justice Reporter–Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals Cases from the U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals (since 1994), the U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Court of Military Review (1969–1994), and the U.S. Navy Board of Review (1951–1969). Coverage begins with 1951.	MJ-NAVY
Federal Military Law–Cases Cases from the U.S. Supreme Court, courts of appeals, district courts, bankruptcy courts, Court of Federal Claims, Tax Court, military courts, and related federal and territorial courts that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia. Coverage begins with 1789.	FMIL-CS
Federal Military Law–Supreme Court Cases Cases from the U.S. Supreme Court that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia. Coverage begins with 1790.	FMIL-SCT
Federal Military Law–Courts of Appeals Cases Cases from the federal appellate courts that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia. Coverage begins with 1891.	FMIL-CTA

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Federal Military Law–District Courts Cases	FMIL-DCT
Cases from the primary federal courts of original jurisdiction that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia. Coverage begins with 1789.	
Federal Military Law–United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims	FMIL-VA
Documents from the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (formerly the U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals) that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia. Coverage begins with 1989.	
U.S. Court of Federal Claims Cases	FEDCL
Cases from federal courts with original jurisdiction over claims against the United States. Coverage begins with 1945. Pre-1945 cases are found in the FEDCL-OLD database.	
Guantanamo Bay Military Commissions–Motions and Decisions	FMIL-GBDOC
Motions and decisions in the Guantanamo Bay military commission cases <i>United States v. Ali Hamza Ahmad Sulayman al Bahlul</i> , <i>United States v. David M. Hicks</i> , <i>United States v. Salim Ahmed Hamdan</i> , and <i>United States v. Ibrahim Ahmed Mahmoud al Qosi</i> . Coverage begins with July 2004.	
United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Briefs	CTA-MIL-BRIEF
Selected briefs filed in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. Coverage begins with 2004.	
United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Criminal Briefs	CTA-MIL-CRBRIEF
Selected briefs filed with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces in criminal cases. Coverage begins with 2004.	

Statutes, Legislative Materials, and Court Rules

DATABASE	IDENTIFIER
Federal Military Law–U.S. Code Annotated	FMIL-USCA
Documents from the <i>United States Code Annotated</i> [®] (USCA [®]) that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia, including the Uniform Code of Military Justice and the rules of practice and procedure for the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.	
Federal Military Law–Rules	FMIL-RULES
Rules from the USCA including the most recent versions of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Rules of Practice and Procedure and the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims Rules of Practice and Procedure.	
Federal Rules Update Orders	US-RULESUPDATES
Federal court orders that update federal court rules as displayed in the Federal Rules database (US-RULES).	
Comptroller General Decisions	CG
Decisions and opinions issued by the comptroller general on various topics, such as appropriations law, bid protests, and other areas of federal law. Coverage begins with 1921.	
Government Accountability Office Redbook	GAO-REDBOOK
Text of <i>Principles of Federal Appropriations Law</i> , also known as the <i>Government Accountability Office (GAO) Red Book</i> , which covers those areas of the law in which the comptroller general renders decisions, including the congressional appropriations process and availability of funds, obligations of appropriations, continuing resolutions, liability of officers, federal assistance, claims against the United States, debt collection and payment of judgments, and the acquisition of goods and services. Coverage begins with July 1991.	

Administrative Materials

DATABASE	IDENTIFIER
<p>Federal Military Law–Code of Federal Regulations</p> <p>Documents from the <i>Code of Federal Regulations</i> (CFR) that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia.</p>	FMIL-CFR
<p>Federal Military Law–Federal Register</p> <p>Documents from the <i>Federal Register</i> that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia. Coverage begins with January 1981.</p>	FMIL-FR
<p>Federal Military Law–Board of Veterans’ Appeals Decisions</p> <p>Opinions released by the Board of Veterans’ Appeals in the Department of Veterans Affairs and its predecessor agency, the Veterans Administration. Coverage begins with 1992.</p>	FMIL-BVA
<p>Federal Military Law–Directorate for Industrial Security Clearance Review Decisions</p> <p>Decisions released by the Defense Department’s Directorate for Industrial Security Clearance Review (DISCR). The DISCR’s mission is the adjudication of security clearance cases involving access to confidential, secret, and top secret information by personnel working on classified federal projects. Coverage begins with 1992.</p>	FMIL-DISCR
<p>Federal Military Law–Manual for Courts-Martial</p> <p>Documents released by the Executive Office of the President of the United States and published in the <i>Federal Register</i> that establish or amend the current or previous versions of the <i>Manual for Courts-Martial</i>. Includes the Rules for Courts-Martial, Military Rules of Evidence, Punitive Articles, and Judicial and Nonjudicial Punishment Procedures. Coverage begins with 1941.</p>	FMIL-MCM
<p>Federal Military Law–Veterans Administration</p> <p>Opinions released by the Office of the General Counsel and the Board of Veterans’ Appeals in the Department of Veterans Affairs. Coverage of general counsel opinions begins with 1989, and coverage of appeals board opinions begins with 1992.</p>	FMIL-VAAD
<p>Federal Military Law–Veterans Administration General Counsel</p> <p>Opinions released by the Office of the General Counsel of the Department of Veterans Affairs and its predecessor agency, the Veterans Administration. Coverage begins with 1989.</p>	FMIL-VAGC
<p>ENFLEX® Environmental, Health and Safety Military Publications</p> <p>Materials published by the Air Force, Army, Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense, and Navy pertaining to environmental and health and safety compliance issues.</p>	ENFLEX-MIL
<p>Federal Acquisition Regulations</p> <p>Federal regulations that set uniform policies and procedures for acquisition by all executive agencies. The Federal Acquisition Regulations System consists of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and agency acquisition regulations that implement or supplement the FAR. Coverage begins with 1984.</p>	FAR
<p>Federal Government Contracts–Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals</p> <p>Decisions released by the Board of Contract Appeals for the Department of Defense. Coverage begins with 1955.</p>	FGC-ASBCA
<p>Federal Government Contracts–Claims Appeals Board, Department of Defense, Office of Hearings and Appeals</p> <p>Decisions issued by the Claims Appeals Board, Department of Defense, Office of Hearings and Appeals, which involve the settlement of uniformed service members’ claims for pay, allowances, travel, transportation, and survivor benefits, and carriers’ claims for amounts set off from their charges for loss and damages. Coverage begins with April 1996. Prior to this time, these decisions were issued by the comptroller general and are available in the Comptroller General Decisions database (CG).</p>	FGC-DOHACAB

<p>Federal Government Contracts–Corps of Engineers Board of Contract Appeals</p> <p>Decisions reached by the Board of Contract Appeals for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers established in accordance with guidelines in 41 U.S.C.A. § 607. Coverage is from 1952 to July 2000. Decisions are now made by the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals and are available in the FGC-ASBCA database.</p>	FGC-ENGBCA
<p>Federal Government Contracts–National Aeronautics and Space Administration Board of Contract Appeals</p> <p>Decisions reached by the Board of Contract Appeals for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration established in accordance with guidelines in 41 U.S.C.A. § 607. Coverage is from 1960 to June 1993. Decisions are now made by the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals and are available in the FGC-ASBCA database.</p>	FGC-NASABCA
<p>Federal Government Contracts–Veterans Administration Board of Contract Appeals</p> <p>Decisions reached by the Board of Contract Appeals for the Veterans Administration established in accordance with guidelines in 41 U.S.C.A. § 607. Coverage is from 1958 to January 2007.</p>	FGC-VABCA
<p>Federal Human Resources–Air Force Supplement to Joint Travel Regulations</p> <p>Text of selected regulations pertaining to travel and transportation allowances; shipment and storage of household goods; and other relocation expense allowances issued by the Department of the Air Force to supplement the <i>Joint Travel Regulations</i> issued by the Department of Defense to establish uniform reimbursement of civilian personnel.</p>	FHR-TRAVAFS
<p>Federal Human Resources–Defense Logistics Agency Materials</p> <p>Selected text from the <i>Defense Logistics Agency Manual</i>, agency directives, and other materials issued by the Defense Logistics Agency relating to internal personnel issues. Selected coverage begins with 1965.</p>	FHR-DLA
<p>Federal Human Resources–Department of Veterans Affairs Materials</p> <p>Text of selected sections of handbooks and other materials, such as directives, transmittal sheets, and reports issued by the Department of Veterans Affairs that relate to internal human resources issues. Selected coverage begins with 1969.</p>	FHR-VA
<p>Federal Human Resources–Field Advisory Services Reference Guide</p> <p>Selected guidance releases issued by the Defense Civilian Personnel Management Service and related personnel management systems within the Department of Defense that discuss common classification issues. Selected coverage begins with 1994.</p>	FHR-FASRG
<p>Federal Human Resources–Joint Federal Travel Regulations and Joint Travel Regulations</p> <p>Text of regulations pertaining to travel and transportation allowances, per diem rates, relocation, and other expense allowances issued by the Department of Defense to establish uniform reimbursement of uniformed and civilian personnel. The <i>Joint Federal Travel Regulations</i> covers members of the uniformed services; the <i>Joint Travel Regulations</i> covers civilian employees of the Department of Defense.</p>	FHR-TRAVREG
<p>Federal Human Resources–National Guard Bureau Materials</p> <p>Text of regulations and other releases from the National Guard Bureau of the Department of Defense that relate to human resources issues pertaining to technician personnel within the National Guard. Selected coverage begins with 1972.</p>	FHR-NGB
<p>Federal Human Resources–U.S. Air Force Materials</p> <p>Text of air force regulations, instructions, and other documents issued by the Air Force relating to civilian personnel issues. Selected coverage begins with 1969.</p>	FHR-USAF
<p>Federal Human Resources–U.S. Army Materials</p> <p>Text of army regulations and other materials issued by the Army relating to internal military or civilian personnel issues. Selected coverage begins with 1966.</p>	FHR-ARMY
<p>Federal Human Resources–U.S. Department of Defense Materials</p> <p>Text of field advisories, operations manuals, instructions, and other materials issued by the Department of Defense relating to internal personnel issues. Selected coverage begins with 1965.</p>	FHR-DOD

Federal Human Resources–U.S. Marine Corps Materials	FHR-USMC
Text of Marine Corps orders and other documents issued by the Marine Corps relating to civilian personnel issues. Selected coverage begins with 1985.	
Federal Human Resources–U.S. Navy Materials	FHR-NAVY
Text of navy regulations, training materials, and other documents issued by the Navy relating to civilian personnel issues. Selected coverage begins with 1967.	
Federal Labor and Employment–Merit Systems Protection Board Initial Decisions	FLB-MSPBI
Initial adjudicative decisions reached by the Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB). These decisions have no precedential significance and are not to be cited in submissions to the MSPB or federal courts. Coverage begins with 1997.	

Legal Texts and Periodicals

DATABASE	IDENTIFIER
Military Law–Law Reviews, Texts, and Bar Journals	MIL-TP
Documents from law reviews, texts, continuing legal education course materials, bar journals, and legal practice-oriented periodicals that relate to veterans and the armed forces and militia. Coverage varies by publication.	
Air Force Law Review	AFLR
Full-text articles from <i>Air Force Law Review</i> . Full coverage begins with 1989 (vol. 31).	
Army Lawyer	ARMLAW
Full-text articles from <i>Army Lawyer</i> . Full coverage begins with 1987 (vol. 1987).	
Journal of Conflict and Security Law	JCSECL
Full-text articles from the <i>Journal of Conflict and Security Law</i> , which covers international law relating to armed conflict from the preconflict stage to the outbreak of armed conflict and the conduct of military operations. The journal includes discussions of the legality of resort to force and the protection of noncombatants by international humanitarian law. Coverage begins with 2002 (vol. 7).	
Military Criminal Law Evidence	MCLE
Text of Department of the Army Pamphlet 27-22, <i>Military Criminal Law Evidence</i> , dated July 15, 1987, which pertains to rules of evidence at courts-martial.	
Military Law Review	MILLR
Full-text articles from the <i>Military Law Review</i> , published quarterly by the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (JAGS), U.S. Army, Charlottesville, Va. Full coverage begins with 1987 (vol. 117).	
NAAG Military Base Closure Bulletin	NAAGMBCB
A newsletter published by the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) that focuses on environmental issues and activities at Department of Defense facilities. Coverage begins with June 1995 and ends with April 1997.	
Naval Law Review	NAVLR
Full-text articles from the <i>Naval Law Review</i> , published by the Naval Justice School in Newport, R.I. Full coverage begins with 1985 (vol. 34).	
Shanor and Hogue's National Security and Military Law in a Nutshell	NSMILLAW-NS
Full text of <i>National Security and Military Law in a Nutshell</i> , which covers the Constitution and national security, entering the military, and service members' rights. The text also discusses the military criminal justice system, discharge from the military, and compensation for injury or death. Not available to law school subscribers.	

<p>USERRA Manual: Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights</p> <p>Full text of the <i>USERRA Manual</i>, which provides background and practice information for attorneys assisting military personnel returning from active duty with employment-related issues. The Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) sets forth a detailed regulatory scheme of leave rights and mechanisms for enforcement of those rights.</p>	<p>USERRA</p>
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News and Information

DATABASE	IDENTIFIER
<p>Government Contracts News</p> <p>News and information about government contracts, including defense contracts, from newspapers, magazines, journals, newsletters, transcripts, and wires. Coverage varies by source.</p>	<p>GCNEWS</p>
<p>Military News</p> <p>News and information about the military from newspapers, magazines, journals, newsletters, transcripts, and wires. Topics include military actions, aerospace and defense, the Department of Defense, and the Department of Veterans Affairs. Coverage varies by source.</p>	<p>MILNEWS</p>
<p>West Legal Directory®—Military</p> <p>Profiles of law firms and branch offices and biographical records of attorneys who practice military law in any of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Canada. Coverage is current.</p>	<p>WLD-MIL</p>

