

Chad H. Lennon, Esq.

Legal Experience

Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, Veterans and Service Members Rights Clinic, Central Islip, NY

Director, February 2019 – Present

- Through, among other things, regular case conferences re: quality of work and representation, supervise staff attorneys, interns, and fellows of the legal clinic and Veterans' Project which provides legal services to Veterans and Service Members primarily in the areas of Landlord-Tenant, Criminal representation, Discharge Upgrades, Child Support modifications, Trust and Estates, and other Veterans' Law matters.
- Provide instruction and guidance to students on ethical and professional standards for law practice, including ensuring that all members of the unit have obtain continuing education.
- Develop syllabus and teaching material for the weekly seminar provided by the clinic regarding Veterans Law, Military Law, Landlord-Tenant, Child Support Modifications, Traffic Court, Driver's, and Military Culture.
- Responsible for all statistical and case reporting required by the various funding sources through oversight of the data entry and timekeeping for each staff person and timely reporting of such information.
- Develop and sustain cooperative relationships with community agencies and the pro bono programs of local bar associations by producing and participating in community education in areas of the Clinic's activities and Continuing Legal Education programs with a focus on Veterans related issues.
- Coordinate with agencies in Touro's Public Advocacy Center, a cooperative project with 12 public interest and public advocacy organizations, housed at the Law Center in order to resolve client's numerous legal issues.

Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, Hampton Bays, NY

Assistant District Attorney, May 2017 – February 2019

- Served under District Attorney, County of Suffolk, New York in administering and managing the practice of criminal law.
- Represented the County of Suffolk in criminal court, including Veterans Treatment Court, for misdemeanor and felony cases including assault, drunk driving, larceny, and other criminal matters.

Murnane & O'Neill, Glen Burnie, MD

Associate Attorney, December 2016 – March 2017

- Served in the district and circuit courts of Maryland as counsel for clients facing felony and misdemeanor charges, or for which they were under investigation for alleged criminal activity, including, drug possession, burglary, driving under the influence (DUI), battery, violation of probation, and other offenses.
- Handled numerous aspects of criminal proceedings including discovery, motions, investigations, plea negotiations, trial preparation, litigation, and post-trial motions.

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Fellow, June 2015 – September 2015

- Assisted clients to upgrade disability claims, improve driver's license records, and tax issues through working with a variety of agencies to assist clients including, the Veterans Administration and Department of Motor Vehicles, maintaining and organizing accurate records on clients for more efficient future use.
- Worked on applications to Board of Correction for Military Records for the relevant branches of the Department of Defense.

United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of New York, Central Islip, NY

Intern, January 2015 – April 2015

- Prepared a variety of legal documents including memorandums and motions to be presented to the Federal Court system.
- Provided trial support during criminal cases pertaining to gang activities and fraud cases through attending interviews, conferences, and hearings pertaining to criminal matters and conducting necessary research in order to prepare draft appeals to criminal cases.

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Intern, August 2014 – December 2014

- Conducted initial interviews with clients to determine legal issues such as employment benefits, landlord tenant issues, veteran's benefits and disability legal issues.
- For matters accepted by the clinic, prepared litigation documents, researched legal issues, communicated with agencies and the courts regarding case status and maintained records and case files.

Military Experience

United States Marine Corps Reserves

Officer, April 2012 - Present

- Currently serving as the Company Commander for Bravo Company for Intelligence Support Battalion where supervise and prepare Marines in geographically dispersed locations for combat operations and support active component; created and executed annual training plan to ensure the proficiency of Marine Corps requirements of all Marines in the Company; supervise recruitment and retention plan focused on keeping our best Marines in the reserves.
- Served as Intelligence Officer for 4th Reconnaissance Battalion and oversaw intelligence-based products provided to Battalion to facilitate operations; coordinated training and administration requirements for Marines in intelligence section; received, processed, and disseminated over 200 critical requests for information and intelligence needed by Battalion commanders for current and prospective operations; coordinated with higher levels of command to provide common operational picture.
- As Intelligence Operations and Plans Officer for the Headquarters Marine Corps, Intelligence Department, Intelligence Operations Engagements Branch, coordinated comprehensive engagement program for the Marine Corps Intelligence Enterprise with Canada, Australia, and the U.K. while ensuring compliance applicable laws and DoD regulations; represented Marine Corps Director of Intelligence at diplomatic functions; integrated internal functions of Headquarters Marine Corps Intelligence Department with the International Affairs Branch.
- Acted as Production and Analysis Company Executive Officer, focusing on training and logistics of a company containing 11 detachments Nationwide; ensured compliance with policy and procedures of Marine Corps and Intelligence Support Battalion; successfully maintained common operational picture focusing on current operations of the Company; served as Assistant Chief of Staff of Intelligence Section (as Captain, a position normally held by a Lieutenant Colonel) during exercise African Lion 16 (combined-joint exercise designed to train Moroccan military and 8 other countries in military operations).
- Served as the Officer in Charge of a detachment of Marines that processed intelligence information; identified, prioritized, analyzed, managed, and coordinated intelligence requirements pertaining to the detachment.
- Led platoon of 30 Marines and an attachment of Army Special Forces during Mountain Exercise 14.
- Supervised the accurate and relevant production of intelligence presentations conducted by subordinate Marines; received and processed intelligence information; created and presented reports for appropriate personnel; acted as Collections Requirement Manager during Bold Alligator 13, coordinating the scheduling and assignment of Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance assets in a joint multi-national exercise.

United States Marine Corps

Logistics Officer

May 2008 – January 2012

- Served as the Rear Element (RE) Commander for Combat Logistics Battalion 5 (CLB-5) and created a plan to move the RE from platoon to company and ultimately, for Battalion-wide operations was in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.
- Directly supervised attachment of over 215 Marines and Sailors to CLB-5 while being accountable for over 300; acted as the Battalions' Assistant Operations Officer, coordinating and facilitating personnel and equipment support for numerous combat operational units, exercises and training evolutions; supervised redistribution of more than 50 pieces of gear, temporary loan of 75 pieces of equipment, and detachment of over 20 Marines in support of various external units.
- Created ten operational orders for the Battalion and provided clarifying instructions for each mission in order to re-establish numerous training and operations programs and processes.; led platoon of 35 Marines in Operation Enduring Freedom while supporting more than 15 forward-operating bases (FOB) positioned throughout a 19,425 square kilometer area in Helmand Province, Afghanistan; coordinated and led over 52 missions that delivered 1,512 pallets of food, 2,300 pallets of water, 310,000 gallons of fuel, 379 ISO containers of food and maintenance parts, and 21 bed spaces of engineering supplies to Battalions of Regimental Combat Team 7 while retrograding 62 battle damaged mine resistant armor protected (MRAP) vehicles, MRAP all-terrain vehicles, light armored vehicles and mine rollers from various FOBs.

Awards: Purple Heart Medal, Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Award, Combat Action Ribbon, National Defense Ribbon, Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon, Select Marine Corps Reserve Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Sea-Service Deployment Ribbon, NATO Medal, Letter of Appreciation, Certificate of Appreciation.

Education

Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, Central Islip, NY

Juris Doctor, *Cum Laude*, January 2016

Honors: *Touro Law Review*, Junior Editor (2014-2015), Senior Editor (2015); CALI Award for Academic Excellence in International Criminal Law; Honors Program Scholar (2014-2015); Exemplary Contributions to the Quality of Student Life Award (2016).

Activities: Veteran's Law Student Organization, President (2013-2015)

Adelphi University, Garden City, NY

Master of Arts in Adolescent Education, Social Studies concentration, January 2006

Wagner College, Staten Island, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Criminal Justice concentration, May 2003

Community Activity

- Board of Directors and Chairman, Military and Veterans Relationship Committee, Bob Feller Act of Valor Foundation.
- Board of Directors, Project 9 Line.
- President and Community Athlete, Long Island Squad, Semper Fi Fund.
- Secretary, Committee on Veterans, New York State Bar Association.
- Co-Chair, Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Suffolk County Bar Association.
- Officer, Academy of Law, Suffolk County Bar Association.
- Contributing author, The Suffolk Lawyer and Havok Journal

Licenses and Certifications

- Licensed to Practice in State of Maryland, State of New York, Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, Court of Appeals for Armed Forces, and Accredited Attorney for Department of Veterans Affairs
- Knowledge of Westlaw, LexisNexis, Bloomberg Law, and Google Scholar
- Top-Secret/SCI Security Clearance
- Command and Staff College, Marine Corps, 2021 (Pending)
- Foreign Disclosure Officer Course, Defense Intelligence Agency, 2018
- Expeditionary Warfighting School, Marine Corps, 2017
- Threat Finance, Defense Intelligence Agency, 2016
- Counter Terrorism Analyst, Defense Intelligence Agency, 2016
- Mountain Warfare Planners Course, Mountain Warfare Training Center, 2014
- Marine Air-Ground Task Force Intelligence Officer, Marine Corps, 2012
- 2d Degree Black Belt, Freestyle Martial Arts
- Black Belt, Marine Corps Martial Arts
- World Recorder Holder, Fastest 1 mile with 400lbs.