WHAT IS THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL?

DISCOVER A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY

700 Attorneys
The Department of the Navy’s Office of the General Counsel (DON OGC) has over 700 civilian attorneys supporting our Sailors and Marines.

75 Years of Expertise
DON OGC has been providing excellent legal services to the Navy and Marine Corps since 1941.

14 Practice Areas

147 Locations
DON OGC has a worldwide presence as its attorneys practice in 147 locations across the country and around the world.

SUPPORTING THE NAVY AND THE MARINE CORPS

• The General Counsel (GC) of the Navy is the Principal Legal Advisor to the Secretary of the Navy. DON OGC attorneys assist the GC in providing legal services to personnel throughout the Navy and Marine Corps.

• We support the Assistant Secretaries for Environment, Installations & Energy; Financial Management & Comptroller; Manpower & Reserve Affairs; and Research, Development & Acquisition.

• Attorneys are also assigned to the Acquisition Integrity Office, Dispute Resolution Office, Naval Litigation Office, Strategic Systems Programs Office, Pacific Fleet, Cyber Command, and Fleet Forces.

• We also serve clients at the Commander Navy Installations Command, the Military Sealift Command, the Naval Air Systems Command, the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, the Naval Sea Systems Command, the Naval Supply Systems Command, the Office of the Commandant of the Marine Corps, the Office of Naval Research, and the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command.

DON OGC BY THE NUMBERS

$1.79 Billion dollar value of DON OGC’s complex client portfolio worldwide

758K number of Navy and Marine Corps clients we serve

$16.7 Billion dollar value of DON OGC defensive litigation

WORLDWIDE PRACTICE

DON OGC attorneys practice in 19 states, plus the District of Columbia and Guam, with over 50% located in the National Capital Area. DON OGC has international offices in Spain, Italy, Djibouti, Bahrain, Japan, and Singapore.

EXAMPLES OF SUCCESSFUL ADVOCACY

• Supreme Court Litigation. Supreme Court win in Winters v. NRDC protected use of sonar for military training for national security.

• Cyber Law. Advised on cyber security readiness for 300 ships and submarines imperative to the warfighter and the fight against terrorism.

• Combating Fraud. Curtailed a $15 million fraud scheme involving optic sights purchased by the Navy.

• Government Contracts Ship Systems. Successful defense of a $1.6 billion contract for a next generation combat radar to improve capabilities of the Navy’s fleet.

• Employment Law. Defended thousands of compensation, discrimination, employment and labor cases, resulting in significant costs savings to the Government.

• Government Contracts Aircrafts. Legal support for F-35 fighter jet program worth over $300 billion.

• Real Estate. Advised on complex lease agreement that enabled temporary relocation of aircraft for critical missions and operations.

• Support Warfighter. Legal support for complex $1.7 billion food services contracts that feeds thousands of Marines nationwide.

• Intellectual Property. Patent and trademark licensing brought in over $5.5 million supporting military families and R&D.

SOPHISTICATED AND VARIED LEGAL WORK

• Over 25% of DON OGC attorneys practice government contracts law, followed by litigation (13%), and employment/labor law (10%).

• DON OGC attorneys practice in a variety of legal subject matter areas. Our attorneys have the flexibility to change practice focus throughout their careers.

• DON OGC attorneys work with Navy and Marine Corps clients to foster the Department of the Navy’s commitment to providing the warfighter with the research, development, test, evaluation, and training resources needed to ensure unsurpassed military readiness and capabilities.

OPPORTUNITIES AND ADVANCEMENT

• DON OGC encourages its attorneys to gain a variety of legal experiences by working in different parts of the organization.

• DON OGC promotes and rewards each attorney as rapidly as his/her performance and professional development merits.

• DON OGC attorneys have the opportunity to participate in a full range of advisory experiences from policy-making to operational environments.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

DON OGC values and understands the importance of diversity and inclusion, and we are committed to integrating these objectives in our recruitment and retention efforts. We recruit from more than 175 accredited law schools and actively participate in diversity and minority job fairs. Our executive leadership team represents a diverse and high performing group of Senior Executives. We created a Diversity and Inclusion Council in 2014, which reviews all DON OGC efforts to ensure that all viewpoints are considered as its legal community evaluates matters and takes actions.

ALL HIRING AND ADVANCEMENT IN THE OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL IS BASED ON MERIT WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, RELIGION, AGE, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, HANDICAP, POLITICAL AFFILIATION OR MARITAL STATUS.

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