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YANKEE OPERATIONAL LAW SYMPOSIUM

FY 2009

The annual **Yankee Operational Law Symposium** will be held on **19 & 20 September 2009** in the Pringle Hall Auditorium at the **Naval War College** in Newport, Rhode Island. The symposium will highlight a superb agenda of current and topical international and operational law issues. The symposium features an impressive list of civilian, active and reserve-component speakers.

The Yankee OPLAW Symposium is supported by the Naval War College International Law Department and hosted by Navy Reserve Law unit that supports the International Law Department.

Please mark your calendar for **19 & 20 September 2009**.

Registration, Lunch, Reception and Lodging Information forms are attached for your use.

Symposium Schedule, updates and further announcements will follow.

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Saturday 19 September 2009

- 0700 Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 0730 Opening Remarks, National Anthem, Invocation**
- 0830 ILD Update
Professor Dennis Mandsager, CAPT, JAGC, USN (Ret.)
Chairman, International Law Department, Naval War College**
- 0920 Break**
- 0930 Combating Piracy: Maritime Security off the Horn of Africa
CDR James Kraska, JAGC, USN
International Law Department, Naval War College**
- 1020 Break**
- 1030 Rule of Law Operations in Iraq
Col Stephen Spellman, JA, USAR
Commander, 22nd Legal Support Organization**
- 1130 Lunch — No Host at Hewitt Hall Café, Naval War College — Reservations
Required**
- 1300 Weapons in the War on Terror: A Legal Update
Maj Michael Carsten, USMC
International Law Department, Naval War College**
- 1350 Break**
- 1400 Military Commissions Update
CAPT Ed White, JAGC, USN
DoD Office of Military Commissions**
- 1450 Break**
- 1500 Reconciling Military Operations, International Standards and Traditional Law
Jasteena Dhillon, Fellow, Carr Centre for Human Rights Policy, Harvard University**
- 1630 Reception — Mahan Rotunda, Naval War College — Reservations Required**

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Sunday 20 September 2009

0730 Continental Breakfast

**0800 RDML Steven Talson, JAGC, USN
Deputy Judge Advocate General
Reserve Affairs and Operations**

**0830 War Crimes
COL Derek Gilman, JA, USAR
International and Operational Law Division, Army Office of the JAG**

0920 Break

**0930 State Department Contributions to Rule of Law Counterinsurgency Operations in
Southwest Asia
CDR(S) Tim Keeton, JAGC, USN and LCDR(S) Darrin MacKinnon, JAGC, USN**

1020 Break

**1030 Strategic Implications of China's Activity in Sub-Saharan Africa
CAPT Bill Sprance, JAGC, USN**

1130 Lunch (on your own)

**1300 Arms Control Issues: New Administration, New Perspective
Jared Silberman, CAPT, JAGC, USN (Ret.)
Associate Counsel for Arms Control and International Law,
United States Navy Office of Strategic Systems Programs (SSP)**

1350 Break

**1400 Information Sharing in the Maritime Domain
CAPT David Sanders, JAGC, USN
Joint Maritime Awareness Center**

1500-1600 Wrap-Up and Unit Administration