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Press Release

Law Offices of David P. Sheldon, PLLC Welcomes Annie W. Morgan, Esq. as Senior Military Defense Attorney



Washington, D.C., November 8, 2024 – The Law Offices of David P. Sheldon, PLLC, a premier military law firm specializing in defending service members’ rights across all branches of the U.S. military, is thrilled to announce the addition of Annie W. Morgan, Esq. to its distinguished team of legal experts. Ms. Morgan joins the firm as a Senior Military Defense Attorney, bringing over fourteen years of expertise in military and national security law, including five years’ experience litigating some of the most high-profile national security cases in U.S. history. .

Ms. Morgan’s career includes notable positions in the United States Department of Defense, the Department of Treasury, and academia, where she has earned a reputation for her commitment to the U.S. Constitution, human rights, and the rule of law. In her most recent role as an Attorney Advisor at the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), Ms. Morgan safeguarded the financial system against illicit threats, providing legal counsel on matters related to anti-money laundering, national security, and financial regulations.

Previously, Ms. Morgan served as a Defense Attorney within the Military Commissions Defense Organization, where she represented the alleged mastermind of the USS *Cole* bombing, Mr. Abdul Al-Rahim Al-Nashiri, against capital charges. In defense of Mr. Al-Nashiri, Ms. Morgan has appeared before the War Courts convened in Guantanamo Bay, the Court of Military Commissions Review, the D.C. Circuit Court, and international tribunals. Ms. Morgan has been lauded for her commitment to representing clients in challenging cases, her command of complex international law issues, her expertise handling classified materials, and her novel trial strategy. Her work before the military commissions has been featured in the New York Times, the Nation, MSNBC, and in a host of legal blogs and [podcasts](#). Most notably, Ms. Morgan’s historic examination of the [architect of the CIA's torture program](#) and her [successful argument](#) in the [first-ever motion to suppress](#)



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[evidence](#) obtained or derived from the torture of Guantanamo detainees, has received national attention.

Ms. Morgan also served with distinction in the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General's Corps, where she served as a trial defense counsel, representing servicemembers across Europe and the Middle East, an appellate defense, where she appeared before the Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals, and the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and a civil litigation attorney, where she handled some of the most complex litigation involving military service members in federal court. During her time as a trial and defense counsel, Ms. Morgan is responsible for shaping military law, successfully exposing prosecutorial misconduct in *United States v. Bowser*, doggedly challenging unlawful command influence in *United States v. Boyce*, and arguing against unlawful and overbroad orders in *United States v. Pugh*. Ms. Morgan has a demonstrated commitment to advancing the rights of military personnel and veterans worldwide.

"We are honored to welcome Annie to our team," said David P. Sheldon, founding attorney of the Law Offices of David P. Sheldon, PLLC. "Her impressive track record, deep understanding of military and constitutional law, and fierce advocacy for justice will make her an invaluable asset to our firm and to our clients."

Ms. Morgan holds a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in National Security Law from Georgetown University Law Center, where she graduated with distinction. Additionally, Ms. Morgan holds a Juris Doctorate (J.D.) from the George Washington University School of Law. Ms. Morgan is a non-resident expert in national security at the Eisenhower Institute in Washington, D.C. and an adjunct professor of political science and public policy at Gettysburg College. As a recognized expert in the field, Ms. Morgan is a frequent guest lecturer at academic institutions including Georgetown University Law Center, American University School of Law, University of Illinois School of Law, and Stanford University. Ms. Morgan has been invited to lecture at the American Bar Association's annual Women in White Collar Luncheon, which was attended by the Honorable Merrick Garland. Her legal scholarship includes publications on national security law and human rights, notably her [work](#) in Georgetown's Journal of National Security Law & Policy.

Annie W. Morgan's appointment underscores the Law Offices of David P. Sheldon, PLLC's commitment to providing top-tier legal representation to service members and their families. With her addition, the firm further strengthens its capacity to advocate for justice on behalf of those who serve our nation.

About the Law Offices of David P. Sheldon, PLLC

Based in Washington, D.C., the Law Offices of David P. Sheldon, PLLC is a nationally recognized military law firm dedicated to defending the rights of service members in all branches of the U.S. military. With a team of highly skilled attorneys, the firm handles court-martial cases, appeals, administrative separations, and other complex military law matters, championing justice for those who protect our country.

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