



# BIOGRAPHY

**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE**

## LIEUTENANT COLONEL RODNEY B. GLASSMAN

Lieutenant Colonel Rodney B. Glassman is an Individual Mobilized Augmentee (“IMA”) serving as the IMA to the Staff Judge Advocate for the 56th Fighter Wing, home of the “Thunderbolts” Luke AFB, AZ. The 56th FW is the largest fighter wing in the U.S. Air Force, and its mission is to train the world’s greatest fighter pilots and combat-ready airmen. The Wing oversees the Gila bend Air Force Auxiliary Field and is the steward of the 1.7 million acre Barry M. Goldwater Military Training Range. Lt Col Glassman supports the legal office in providing legal advice and services to a base population of 5,600 active duty and civilian personnel. As IMA to the SJA, Lt Colonel Glassman is the principal advisor to the SJA on all matters relating to Air Force Reserve support within the 56th FW. He manages and provides professional oversight to the assigned IMA judge advocates and paralegals and is responsible for their readiness and total force integration. Lt Col Glassman also serves as a member of the HQ RIO Individual Reserve Advisory Council.



Lt Colonel Glassman was commissioned as a direct appointee in the United States Air Force Reserve in March 2009. He is admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Arizona, as well as the Federal District of Arizona, the Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. He is also an Eagle Scout.

## EDUCATION

1999 Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics, University of Arizona, AZ  
2001 Master of Business Administration, University of Arizona, AZ  
2002 Master of Public Administration, University of Arizona, AZ  
2005 PhD, Arid Land Resource Sciences, University of Arizona, AZ  
2007 Juris Doctorate, University of Arizona, AZ  
2012 Squadron Officer’s School (in-residence), Maxwell AFB, AL  
2017 ACC Advanced Air Operations Law Course, Hurlburt Field, FL  
2020 Air Command & Staff College, by correspondence

## ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 2009 – September 2014, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, 355th Fighter Wing, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
2. September 2014 – March 2018, IMA Reserve Coordinator, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke AFB, AZ
3. March 2018 – June 2021, IMA Reserve Coordinator, 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson AFB, AK
4. July 2021 – September 2023, IMA to the Staff Judge Advocate, 17th Training Wing, Goodfellow AFB, TX (January 2023 – July 2023, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, Space Training & Readiness Command, United States Space Force, Colorado Springs, CO)
5. October 2023 – June 2025, IMA Reserve Coordinator, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke AFB, AZ
6. July 2025 – present, IMA to the Staff Judge Advocate, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke AFB, AZ (January 2024 – Present, HQ RIO Individual Reserve Advisory Council)

## MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with two leaf clusters  
Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters  
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2013 "You Shouldn't Marry a Lawyer...But if you Do, PCS to Arizona (or Idaho)," *The Reporter, The Judge Advocate General's Corps*, 2013, Vol. 40, No. 2, pp. 52-53.
- 2014 "When the Governor Calls Your Wing Commander: Best Practices to Please the Sovereign but Protect Your Client," *The Reporter, The Judge Advocate General's Corps*, 2014, Vol. 41, No. 2, pp. 40-41.
- 2015 "Exporting Best Practices to Your Next Base: The Legal Assistance Prescription Pad," *The Reporter, The Judge Advocate General's Corps*, 2015, Vol. 42, No. 1, pp. 31-35.
- 2015 "JAG Reservists and the Air Force Mission: Lawyers in Service," *Arizona Attorney Magazine*, 2015, Vol. 52, No. 1, pp. 20-31.
- 2016 "A Few Good Paralegals: How Reserve Paralegal Specialists are Supporting the Air Force Mission," *@LAW: the NALS Magazine for Legal Professionals*, 2016, Vol. 64, Issue. 4, pp. 8-10.
- 2017 "Fit to Advise: Keys to Strengthening Your Legal Assistance Program," *The Reporter, The Judge Advocate General's Corps*, 2016, Vol. 43, No. 4, pp. 28-33.
- 2018 "Enhancing Multi-Domain Command and Control: Attorneys and Paralegals Join the Fight in Exercise BLUE FLAG," *The Reporter, The Judge Advocate General's Corps*, 2018. Inaugural Online Edition Spotlight Feature.

## EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

First Lieutenant	10 March 2009
Captain	1 October 2010
Major	1 October 2017
Lieutenant Colonel	3 December 2024

(Current as of July 2025)