

Victims' Appellate Rights and Site Visit Public Meeting on October 14, 2016

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Rule for Courts-Martial

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Article on Victims' Appellate Rights in Federal Appellate Courts

- Tab 4** Paul G. Cassell, *Protecting Crime Victims in Federal Appellate Courts: The Need to Broadly Construe the Crime Victims' Rights Act's Mandamus Provision*, 87:3 DENV. U. L. REV. 599-631 (2010)
- *Background article published in 2010 by Paul Cassell, Professor of Law at the University of Utah, on the federal Crime Victims' Rights Act (CVRA) and its enforcement provision. Since the time of the article's publication, the CVRA has been revised to indicate that a civilian court of appeals "shall apply ordinary standards of appellate review" when a victim petitions the court of appeals for a writ of mandamus.*

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- *Petition filed by Air Force Appellate Government Counsel in the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces (CAAF). The petition requests an order from CAAF directing the Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals (AFCCA) to withhold release of a victim's sealed mental health records until the AFCCA conducts a full in camera review of the records.*