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**Military Justice Review Group Briefing
and
Subcommittee Deliberation on Article 120 Issues**

Speaker Biography

Military Justice Review Group Briefing: Recommended New Article 93a Offense

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

The Honorable Andrew S. Effron is the Director, Military Justice Review Group, Office of the General Counsel of the Department of Defense. The Military Justice Review Group was established in 2013 by the General Counsel of the Department of Defense at the direction of the Secretary of Defense to undertake a comprehensive review of the statutes and rules governing all aspects of the military justice system. Based upon that review, the Group developed a detailed set of legislative and regulatory proposals that are currently in Executive Branch interagency coordination.

Judge Effron has served in a variety of government and academic positions related to military law. He was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces in 1996 and served as Chief Judge from 2006 to 2011. After becoming a senior judge in 2011, he was recalled to serve with the Court on a periodic basis, and he subsequently entered inactive status. Prior to joining the Court, he held positions in both the legislative and executive branches of the government, including service as the General Counsel and Minority Counsel of the Senate Armed Services Committee; as an attorney in the Department of Defense Office of General Counsel; as a judge advocate in the Army; and as a legislative aide in the House of Representatives. As an adjunct professor, he has taught courses in military law at the Georgetown University Law Center and appellate practice at the George Washington University Law School.