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James “Jim” H. Haag is an Attorney-Advisor (Contract— Intellectual Property) in the Deputy General Counsel (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics) Division, Headquarters, United States Air Force, and is assigned to the Air Force’s Intellectual Property Cadre. He is responsible for providing legal and policy advice to Secretariat, Air Staff and Program Executive Officers regarding intellectual property matters, including patent law and rights in technical data and computer software, and for related legal topics associated with science and technology.

During his career, Mr. Haag provided advice for multiple multi-billion-dollar Acquisition Category (ACAT) I source selections for satellite programs (including one where the source selection authority was the Secretary of the Air Force), ground stations, and user equipment.

Mr. Haag also provided advice regarding contract administration matters for those acquisitions, and provided advice for source selections and contract administration matters for large dollar value services acquisitions. Mr. Haag drafted the first handbook on rights in technical data and computer software ever issued by any military department or defense agency that describes a disciplined cradle-to-grave approach for acquiring such intellectual property rights. Mr. Haag is the Air Force representative to the Patent, Data and Copyright Team of the Defense Acquisition Regulation Council, a committee whose charter includes drafting proposed/final rules to revise Part 227 of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS). Mr. Haag has 34 published decisions to his name issued by five different Federal government contract forums.

EDUCATION

1984 Associate of Arts Degree, Bakersfield Community College

1986 Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science, *magna cum laude*, UCLA

1989 Juris Doctor, *with distinction*, University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1989 – 1995, Trial Attorney, Navy Litigation Office, Arlington, VA

1995 – 2004, Assistant Counsel, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command, Arlington, VA/San Diego, CA

2004 – 2020, Attorney-Advisor (Contract), Contract and Patent Law Division, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA

2020 – Present, Attorney-Advisor (Contract—Intellectual Property), Deputy General Counsel (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics) Division, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.

AWARDS AND HONORS

1997 Recipient, Navy Special Act Award

1997 Recipient, Vice-President’s Hammer Award Certificate



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2002 Recipient, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation Lapel Pin
2008 Recipient, Air Force Civilian Achievement Award
2008 Recipient, Air Force Notable Achievement Award
2010 Recipient, Air Force Special Act Award
2010 Recipient, Air Force Notable Achievement Award
2014 Recipient, Air Force General Counsel's Procurement Law Award
2014 Recipient, Air Force Exemplary Civilian Service Award

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association, Public Contract
Law Section

PUBLICATIONS

Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Space and Missile Systems Center, *Acquiring and Enforcing the Government's Rights in Technical Data and Computer Software Under DoD Contracts: A Practical Handbook for Acquisition Professionals* (9th ed. October 2018), <https://www.dau.edu/tools/t/TDR-GB> "Data Rights Under DoD Contracts: Eight Vital Steps", *Air Force Acquisition Law Newsletter Issue No. 6* (March 2012)

"Involuntary Servitude: An Eighteenth-Century Concept In Search Of A Twentieth-Century Definition," 19 *Pac.L.J.* 873 (1989)

UCLA Greenfield Prize Winner (Best Honors Thesis of 1986) for "Between The Extremes: An Exercise In Second Amendment Jurisprudence"