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Jessica Parezo is Associate General Counsel in the Air Force IP Cadre under the Acquisition, Technology & Logistics Division of the Office of the Air Force General Counsel. She provides legal and policy advice to the Secretariat, acquisition professionals, and program executive offices on intellectual property, data rights, and technology licensing matters. Ms. Parezo counsels major weapon systems programs on intellectual property valuation, cost-effective sustainment strategies, and data disputes. She also represents the Air Force in intellectual property initiatives with the Navy, Army, and Department of Defense and engagements with industry. Ms. Parezo joined the Air Force in August 2021 after nineteen years as a transactions and patent attorney in private law firm practice. She represented industry clients by leading complex licensing, acquisition, and development transactions and directing intellectual property evaluation strategies to drive valuation of technology assets.

EDUCATION

1998 Bachelor of Arts, Biological Sciences and Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J.

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2000–2001, Summer Associate, Lerner, David, Littenberg, Krumholz & Mentlik, LLP, Westfield, N.J.

2001, Judicial Intern, The Honorable Arthur J. Gajarsa, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Washington, D.C.

2002–2004, Associate, Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox PLLC, Washington, D.C.

2004–2007, Associate, Hunton & Williams, LLP, Washington, D.C.

2007–2021, Special Counsel, Covington & Burling LLP, Washington, D.C.

2021–present, Associate General Counsel, The Air Force IP Cadre, Acquisition, Technology & Logistics Division of the Office of the Air Force General Counsel, Washington, D.C.

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