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## Meet the Team

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# Association of Military Legal Administrators' Presidential Initial Address

July 9, 2018

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is my honor and privilege to serve as the President of the Association of Military Legal Administrators. Our membership is connected by a remarkable group of talented people (professionals) who face day-to-day challenges with absolute confidence and resolve. Our core principles, "Teaching, Coaching, Mentoring, and Leading," are at the forefront of what we do every day and how we do it. These principles, however, should not overshadow an essential element that makes this organization truly unique – Fellowship.

I often look to the past for inspiration that will carry me forward. When I consider our journey, thus far, I recall these words and work forward: "When two or more colleagues join together to share ideas, learn, develop, and grow, both personally and professionally, in a virtuous and legitimate manner, the Association vision is realized."

This year, our Association will offer many opportunities for members to get involved, stay involved, and make a difference. I'm looking forward to our combined enduring efforts to ensure we stay principled and continue to evolve and shape this Association into a unique and meaningful nonprofit endeavor.

As your President, I want to share with you some critical objectives, I believe, will help further our cause and serve as the bedrock of our continued growth and development. I have elected these fundamental competencies as the anchors of our forthcoming yearly campaign: Public Awareness, Education and Engagement, Advocacy, and Sustainability. I elicit your participation and ideas towards developing each of these individual competencies into a robust Campaign Plan.

Thank you for your support, and I ask for your continued involvement to ensure our third year of existence is a meaningful one.

Sincerely,



William J. Teeple  
Co-Founder/President  
Association of Military Legal Administrators  
Charlottesville, VA



## 1st Annual AMLA Alumni Dinner

On Friday, June 29, 2018, AMLA held its first annual alumni dinner at the Double Tree Hotel in Charlottesville, Virginia.

The participation was excellent with 27 members in attendance.

We had several retired legal administrators in attendance as well:

- Mr. John Schreiber
- Mr. Dieter Kohler
- Mr. Rosauro Lindogan
- Mr. Don Hughes
- Mr. Joe Egozcue
- Mr. Tom Chilton
- Mr. Brent Reeves

Be sure and mark your calendars for next year!

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## Matthew Edmonds Update

As many of you know, one of our own, Matthew Edmonds, was hospitalized recently due to complications with a heart condition. Thanks to the love and support of the legal administrator community, AMLA was able to raise over \$12,000 for travel, lodging, food, and other expenses related to supporting Matt.

Matt and family are at home in Texas. Thanks to your support, his family, and the medical team—he is on the mend and doing much better. While he still has much work to do to fully recover, your contributions helped care for his family while in the hospital and procure supplies not covered by insurance to aid in his recover and well-being. Thank you, AMLA members and contributors, for your amazing assistance provided to Matt and his family.

## Membership Update

This year AMLA instituted a free lifetime membership for former legal administrators and legal administrative officers over the age of 65.

This year we have added 16 new members to our association, including our first Marine member, Heather Cerveney.

Our total membership has grown to 89 members strong.

Our oldest and newest member is CW4 (Ret) Raymond Brochu of El Paso, Texas. He is 89 years old, joined the Army in 1948 as an engineer, and was appointed as a warrant officer in 1961. He served two tours in Vietnam.

If you know any legal administrators or legal administrative officers, past or present, who would like to join AMLA, have them visit our website:

[www.amla-tcml.org/join](http://www.amla-tcml.org/join).

## 2018 Elections

On June 24, 2018, AMLA announced the results of the 2018 election. Several positions were on the ballot, here are the results:

CEO – Bill Keating

President – Will Teeples

Vice President – Brent Reeves

CAO – Jonnee' Carter

CFO – Amy Reeves

Congratulations!

## Annual Meeting

On 24 June, 2018, AMLA held its annual meeting of the members at the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School in Charlottesville, Virginia. Several members were in attendance, and the outgoing president, Jim Carroll, gave the State of the Association, to include reports on membership, finances, and initiatives. AMLA has grown well in its second year, raising money for its charitable cause, participating in Wreaths Across America, and opening its merchandise store.



## 3rd Annual AMLA Golf Tournament

Early on Sunday, June 24, 2018, The Meadowcreek Golf Course in Charlottesville, Virginia hosted AMLA's 3rd annual golf tournament. It was a beautiful day filled with great fun and excitement amongst all of the members in attendance.

Although nobody was able to shoot a hole-in-one, several of our members displayed tremendous skills out on the green. The winning team finished with a 7 under par, while the second-place team finished with 6-under par.

Thank you all for coming out and having such a fantastic time.

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## Silent Auction

This year's silent auction was filled with great items, including an autographed Washington Redskins football, an autographed Washington Capitals' Stanley Cup game puck, an autographed University of Virginia football, and a baseball bat made by Louisville Slugger to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the warrant officer.

This year we started the silent auction online, and kept it going through the Law Officer Management Course being held at the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School.

The competition was heated and we are happy to see so many people walk away smiling with their winnings.

Thank you for making the silent auction a huge success!



## 25th Judge Advocate Warrant Officer Basic Course

On Friday, June 29, 2018, the 25th Judge Advocate Warrant Officer Basic Course graduated 20 new and outstanding legal administrators and legal administrative officers. These fine young men and women have proven to be a sharp and hardworking group of Soldiers and Marines, who will undoubtedly have a tremendous impact on the Judge Advocate General's Corps, and the Warrant Officer Cohort.

Please join us in congratulating the following graduates:

CW2 Jamal Jackson (USA)  
WO1 Allison Allen (USA)  
WO1 Matthew Castillo (USA)  
WO1 Saim Erden (USA)  
WO1 Beatriz Hendricks (USA)  
WO1 Jason Jernigan (USA)  
WO1 Matthew Lentz (USA)  
WO1 Norman Mininger (USA)  
WO1 Nicholas Richard (USA)  
WO Ryan Cole (USMC)

WO1 Sarah Alexander (USA)  
WO1 Anton Allsop (USA)  
WO1 Crystal Edwards (USA)  
WO1 Marquita Givens (USA)  
WO1 Nate Huntington (USA)  
WO1 Sujin Kwon (USA)  
WO1 Melissa Manwell (USA)  
WO1 Monica Mutemwa (USA)  
WO Ryan Armstrong (USMC)  
WO Joshua Linderman (USMC)

AMLA was proud to present WO1 Marquita Givens with both the 2018 Bob Babinski Distinguished Honor Graduate award and the 2018 Charlie Poulton Leadership award. The awards were presented at the 25th JAWOBC graduation by AMLA life member Lindy Lindogan, the Army JAG Corps' first Chief Warrant Officer 5. He was drafted in 1962 and served 2 tours in Vietnam.

### Contact AMLA

If you would like to contribute in any way to the AMLA board of directors, if you have any questions related to AMLA activities, or if you have any suggestions on how to make AMLA better, please send an email to

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