

COMMENTARY ALERT

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Loyola Law School Associate Professor David Glazier Helps Break Story About Gitmo Detainee Judge

Los Angeles, Dec. 13, 2007 — Associate Professor David Glazier, who teaches Law of War at Loyola Law School Los Angeles and has written extensively about military commissions, helped to break a front-page story in *The New York Times* about the contradictory beliefs of the top judge of the Guantanamo Bay military commissions. The story, with the headline “From a Critic of Tribunals to Top Judge,” focused on ideologies Col. Ralph H. Kohlmann expressed in a paper as a student at the Naval War College, from which Glazier received a diploma with distinction. Glazier is available for commentary.

Glazier is cited as bringing to light Kohlmann’s strong remarks against the Guantanamo commissions in a 2002 paper in which he wrote that the commissions would face criticism for the “apparent lack of independence” of military judges and would have “credibility problems.” Reporter William Glaberson wrote in his story that “the details of his arguments escaped wide public notice until a few weeks ago, when Glazier...came across the paper in a mass of newly released documents from a case Judge Kohlmann handled in March.” The story is online at www.nytimes.com/2007/12/13/us/13gitmo.html.

Glaberson’s story subsequently quotes Glazier as saying, “My reaction was, this is pretty amazing, that even the chief judge of the commissions has recognized the horrendous problems of the commission process.” It also references Glazier’s email message to a human right group noting the “link to the Pentagon Web site where the paper could be found in the newly released records of the war crimes prosecution of a former detainee, David Hicks.”

About Associate Professor David Glazier

Associate Professor David Glazier is an expert in military law and law of war. Before getting his JD at the University of Virginia School of Law, Glazier served 21 years as a US Navy surface warfare officer. Prior to joining Loyola Law School, where he teaches Foreign Relations Law, Law of War and Property, Glazier was a lecturer at the University of Virginia School of Law and a research fellow at the Center for National Security Law, where he conducted research on national security, military justice and the law of war.

Glazier’s scholarship about military war commissions includes “Self-Inflicted Wound: A Half-Dozen Years of Turmoil Over the Guantanamo Military Commissions,” “Full and Fair by What Measure? International Law Applicable to the Military Commission Process,” “Precedents Lost: The Neglected History of the Military Commission,” and “Kangaroo Court or Competent Tribunal? Judging the 21st Century Military Commission.” Links to the texts of these articles are available at www.lls.edu/academics/faculty/glazier.html.

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