



BIOGRAPHY

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

CAPTAIN KARA L. ISKENDERIAN

Capt Kara L. Iskenderian serves as the Executive Officer to the Staff Judge Advocate for Headquarters, Air Force Global Strike Command (AFGSC), Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana. She supports the AFGSC Staff Judge Advocate and AFGSC's mission to provide strategic deterrence, global strike, and combat support anytime, anywhere. The AFGSC Staff Judge Advocate serves as the senior legal advisor to the Commander and headquarters staff providing support to more than 33,700 personnel operating at two numbered air forces; 11 active duty, Air National Guard, and Air Force Reserve wings; and the Joint Global Strike Operations Center. Weapons systems assigned to AFGSC include all U.S. Air Force Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles and bomber aircraft, UH-1N helicopters, E-4B National Airborne Operations Center aircraft, and the U.S. Air Force NC3 weapons system.

Capt Iskenderian entered the Air Force through the Direct Appointment Program in January 2019. Prior to joining the Air Force she interned with the Office of the Chief Prosecutor of the Military Commissions and Hogan Lovells LLP. She is admitted to practice law before the New York Court of Appeals and the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. She is married to Capt William May, who currently serves as an Area Defense Counsel, Barksdale AFB.



EDUCATION

- 2015 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Tufts University, MA, *summa cum laude*
- 2018 Juris Doctor, Duke University School of Law, NC
- 2019 Officer Training School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2021 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 2019 – present, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Deputy Chief of Nonjudicial Punishment; Chief of Discharges; Chief of Adverse Actions; Deputy Chief of Military Justice; Chief of General Law), 502 Installation Support Group, JBSA- Lackland, TX
2. July 2021 – July 2023, Area Defense Counsel, Trial Defense Division, Military Justice & Discipline, JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, TX
3. July 2023 – Present, Executive Officer, Headquarters Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale AFB, LA

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

National Defense Service Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
AF Training Ribbon
Outstanding Unit Ribbon
Air Force Commendation Medal
2020 502d Installation Support Group CGO of the Year

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

First Lieutenant
Captain

4 Jan 2019
26 Aug 2019