



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC COMMAND


On behalf of United States Strategic Command and the National Strategic Research Institute at the University of Nebraska, we are pleased to invite you to Omaha, Nebraska for the first annual Advanced Operations Law Conference from 7-9 September 2016 at the Dougherty Conference Center on Offutt Air Force Base.


This conference will bring together combatant command and component attorneys from all over the armed forces as well as leading academics in the fields of military and operational law. Our goal is to come to a better understanding of the complexities of operational law and to share thought-processes on these complicated topics across organizational lines. Speakers include retired senior leaders, policy makers, and government attorneys as well as leading academic thinkers on topics critical to the strategic mission. Topics will range from the targeting of economic and civilian assets, to foreign approach to the law of armed conflict, to critical issues in space and cyber law and policy.

The first day of the conference (7 September) will be at the TOP SECRET level, and security clearances must be passed via JPAS (SMO: STRATJ006) by **22 August 2016**. The second and third days will be unclassified. A full agenda, accommodation information, and travel details can be found on our APAN website or on the NSRI events page (nsri.nebraska.edu/NewsAndEvents). Seats are extremely limited, and so we ask that you RSVP at <https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=305768&k=0161470E7D5F> **on or before 26 August 2016**.

Blocks of rooms have been reserved at the Courtyard by Marriot in Bellevue and at Offutt Inn on Offutt Air Force Base. DoD and Military attendees interested in lodging on base should contact LNC Stephen Thaggard for base lodging reservations. All hotel rooms reserved for the conference are available at the per diem rate for military and government employees. The hotel's specialized reservation link is available on the conference website. Transportation to and from base will be provided from the Bellevue Marriott.

Questions can be directed to Ms. Danielle Miller at danielle.k.miller@unl.edu or to LNC Stephen Thaggard (stephen.r.thaggard.mil@mail.mil). Clearance/base questions should be directed to LNC Thaggard. We look forward to your presence in September.


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