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Mr. Robert D. Hogue serves as Counsel for the Commandant, United States Marine Corps. The Counsel is the senior legal advisor to the Commandant, the Assistant Commandant, the Deputy Commandants, and other top officials of the Marine Corps. The Counsel advises on a wide variety of legal issues relating to business, procurement, fiscal law, the environment, land use, personnel/labor law, spectrum management, and Goldwater-Nichols.

Mr. Hogue has practiced law in the public and private sectors. He joined the Department of the Navy, Office of General Counsel, in 1987. He was assigned to the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) where he served as Associate Counsel for General Law, and Associate Counsel, Procurement. As Associate Counsel, Procurement, Mr. Hogue was the Navy's principal legal advisor in the areas of satellite systems, and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance. In 1996, Mr. Hogue transferred to the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), where he served as Associate Counsel for the Combat Weapons Systems Section, leading a team of 15 attorneys supporting six Program Executive Offices responsible for major defense programs in the areas of weapons systems, nuclear propulsion, hull, mechanical, and electrical systems.

Mr. Hogue was competitively selected to the Senior Executive Service as the Deputy Counsel for the Commandant of the Marine Corps and served in the position from September 2000 through May 2003. As Deputy Counsel, Mr. Hogue was responsible for the management and supervision of a 50-attorney office with field offices in Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, California, and Okinawa.

From May 2003 to December 2004, Mr. Hogue served as the Assistant General Counsel (Financial Management and Comptroller), the chief financial management attorney for the Department of the Navy and primary legal advisor to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller).

Mr. Hogue attended the George Washington University on an athletics scholarship and received a bachelor's of arts degree in 1981. He received his juris doctor degree from the George Mason University School of Law, where he served as Associate Editor of the Law Review, and was admitted to the Virginia Bar in 1984.

He has authored articles concerning legal developments in the areas of acquisition and employment law.