

Seminar with Professor Geoffrey S. Corn, South Texas College of Law Houston: US Military Practice under LOAC and HRL



Friday 5 October 2018 at 14:00-17:00, Aarhus University, Building 1342, Auditorium 455.

Registration: [Gitte Schneider \(gs@law.au.dk\)](mailto:gs@law.au.dk) no later than 2 October 2018.

Geoffrey S. Corn is the Vinson and Elkins Professor of Law at South Texas College of Law Houston in Houston, Texas. Prior to joining the South Texas College of Law Houston faculty in 2005, Professor Corn served in the U.S. Army for 21 years as an officer, and a final year as a civilian legal advisor, retiring in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

His Army career included service as the Army's senior law of war expert advisor, tactical intelligence officer in Panama; supervisory defense counsel for the Western United States; Chief of International Law for US Army Europe; Professor of International and National Security Law at the US Army Judge Advocate General's School; and Chief Prosecutor for the 101st Airborne Division.

Professor Corn's teaching and scholarship focuses on the law of armed conflict, national security law, criminal law and procedure, and prosecutorial ethics. He has appeared an expert witness at the Military Commission in Guantanamo, the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, and in federal court. He is the lead author of *The Law of Armed Conflict: An Operational Perspective*, and *The Laws of War and the War on Terror*, and *National Security Law and Policy: a Student Treatise*.

His latest publication is *The Law in War, A Concise Overview* by Geoffrey Corn, Ken Watkin, Jamie Williamson, Routledge 2018, see <https://www.routledge.com/The-Law-in-War-A-Concise-Overview/Corn-Watkin-Williamson/p/book/9781138910485>

Programme:

- | | |
|-------------|--|
| 14:00-14:10 | Intro and programme |
| 14:10-15:00 | Topic 1: <i>Status v. conduct-based targeting and the capture v. kill debate</i>
<i>The topic includes, inter alia:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Differences in the views on LOAC and ROE (Rules of Engagement)- How context influences assessments of targeting reasonableness- Does military necessity provide a residual source of authority or is IHL purely restrictive? US approach: Geoffrey S. Corn
DNK/European approach: Morten M. Fogt, Aarhus University |
| 15:00-15:30 | Questions/Discussion |
| 15:30-16:00 | Break |
| 16:00-16:30 | Topic 2: <i>Indefinite detention in an 'endless' armed conflict against insurgents or terrorist groups?</i>
US approach: G. S. Corn
DNK/European approach: Morten M. Fogt |
| 16:30-17:00 | Questions/Discussion |