

**UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR NON-JUDICIAL NOMINEES

PUBLIC

1. **Name**: State full name (include any former names used).

Christopher Jordon Nassar

2. **Position**: State the position for which you have been nominated.

United States Attorney, Northern District of Oklahoma, U.S. Department of Justice

3. **Address**: List current office address. If city and state of residence differs from your place of employment, please list the city and state where you currently reside.

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4. **Birthplace**: State date and place of birth.

1987; Lewisville, Texas.

5. **Education**: List in reverse chronological order each college, law school, or any other institution of higher education attended and indicate for each the dates of attendance, whether a degree was received, and the date each degree was received.

Marine Corps University, Command and Staff College, 2021 – 2023
Executive Master's Degree Equivalent – May 2023.

University of Oklahoma, College of Law, 2009 – 2012
J.D. – May 2012

University of Arkansas, Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, 2005 – 2009
B.A., International Relations – May 2009
B. A., Middle Eastern Studies, Cum Laude – May 2009

6. **Employment Record**: List in reverse chronological order all governmental agencies, business or professional corporations, companies, firms, or other enterprises, partnerships, institutions or organizations, non-profit or otherwise, with which you have been affiliated as an officer, director, partner, proprietor, or employee since graduation from college, whether or not you received payment for your services. Include the name and address of the employer and job title or description.

January 2018 – Present

Deputy Criminal Chief, March 2023- Present

Assistant United States Attorney, January 2018-March 2023

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Northern District of Oklahoma

Suite 300, 110 W. 7th Street

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November 2016 – Present

Command Legal Advisor, Marine Forces Reserve, November 2023 – Present

Cyber Operational Law Attorney, USCYBERCOM, November 2019 – November 2023

Victims' Legal Counsel, November 2016 – November 2019

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February 2017 – December 2017

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Trial Counsel, Camp Lejeune, NC, December 2013 – October 2016

Student Judge Advocate, Naval Station Newport, RI, October 2013 – December 2013

Student Officer, The Basic School, MCB Quantico, VA, April 2013 – October 2013

Post-Bar Intern, MCRD San Diego, CA, October 2012 – April 2013

ADOS Intern, Camp Pendleton, CA, May 2011 – November 2011

ADOS Intern, MCRD San Diego, CA, May 2010 – July 2010

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7. **Military Service and Draft Status:** Identify any service in the U.S. Military, including dates of service, branch of service, rank or rate, serial number (if different from social security number) and type of discharge received, and whether you have registered for

selective service.

United States Marine Corps

Lieutenant Colonel (Date of Rank, Effective: February 1, 2026)

Major (Date of Rank, Effective: October 1, 2019)

Captain (Date of Rank, Effective: October 1, 2013)

First Lieutenant (Date of Rank, Effective: July 18, 2011)

Second Lieutenant (Date of Rank, Effective: July 18, 2009)

Officer Candidate (May 29, 2008)

Total Dates of Service: May 29, 2008 - Present

Honorable Discharge

I have registered for selective service.

8. **Honors and Awards:** List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, academic or professional honors, honorary society memberships, military awards, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievement.

Defense Meritorious Service Medal, United States Cyber Command, 2023

Younger Federal Lawyer Award, Federal Bar Association, 2023

Outstanding Prosecutor Award, FBI Director, 2022

Outstanding Service Award, Federal Executive Board, 2022

Outstanding Prosecutor Award, Homeland Security Investigations-Tulsa, 2020

Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, United States Marine Corps, 2019

Outstanding Prosecutor Award, SAC-FBI Oklahoma City Field Office, 2019

Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, United States Marine Corps, 2016

9. **Bar Associations:** List all bar associations or legal or judicial-related committees, selection panels or conferences of which you are or have been a member, and give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups.

Oklahoma Bar Association

Federal Bar Association

10. **Bar and Court Admission:**

- a. List the date(s) you were admitted to the bar of any state and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership.

Oklahoma, September 2012

There have been no lapses in membership.

- b. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, including dates of admission and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require special admission to practice.

10th Circuit Court of Appeals (February 2018)

Northern District of Oklahoma (January 2018)

Eastern District of North Carolina (April 2015 – November 2016)

Reason for lapse: I ceased practice in EDNC in November 2016 and did not renew my admission.

Navy-Marine Corps Trial Judiciary (December 2013)

Except as noted, there have been no lapses in membership.

11. **Memberships:**

- a. List all professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, charitable, or other organizations, other than those listed in response to Questions 9 or 10 to which you belong, or to which you have belonged, since graduation from law school. Provide dates of membership or participation, and indicate any office you held. Include clubs, working groups, advisory or editorial boards, panels, committees, conferences, or publications.

Council Oak/Johnson Sontag American Inn of Court
Member, September 2024 – Present

Federalist Society
Member, July 2020 – Present

Child Advocacy Network (CAN)
Member, 2019-Present
Advisory Council, 2019-2023
Board Member January 2019-December 2019

- b. Indicate whether any of these organizations listed in response to 11a above

currently discriminate or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies. If so, describe any action you have taken to change these policies and practices.

To my knowledge, none of these organizations discriminate or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies.

12. Published Writings and Public Statements:

- a. List the titles, publishers, and dates of books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces, or other published material you have written or edited, including material published only on the Internet. Supply four (4) copies of all published material to the Committee.

I have done my best to identify all books, articles, letters to the editor, editorial pieces and other published material, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. To the best of my knowledge, I have no such publications.

- b. Supply four (4) copies of any reports, memoranda or policy statements you prepared or contributed in the preparation of on behalf of any bar association, committee, conference, or organization of which you were or are a member. If you do not have a copy of a report, memorandum or policy statement, give the name and address of the organization that issued it, the date of the document, and a summary of its subject matter.

I have done my best to identify any reports, memoranda, or policy statements I have prepared or contributed to, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. To the best of my knowledge, I have no such reports, memoranda, or statement.

- c. Supply four (4) copies of any testimony, official statements or other communications relating, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation, that you have issued or provided or that others presented on your behalf to public bodies or public officials.

I have done my best to identify any testimony, official statements, or other communications related, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. To the best of my knowledge, I have no such testimony or statements.

- d. Supply four (4) copies, transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered by you, including commencement speeches, remarks, lectures, panel discussions, conferences, political speeches, and question-and-answer sessions. Include the date and place where they were delivered, and readily available press reports about the speech or talk. If you do not have a copy of the speech or a transcript or recording of your remarks, give the name and address of the group before whom the speech was given, the date of the speech, and a summary of its subject matter. If you did not speak from a prepared text, furnish a copy of any outline or notes from which you spoke.

I have done my best to identify transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. I frequently speak without notes or speak from a handwritten outline. I did not retain the majority of the handwritten outlines and have attached all that I could find. Despite my searches, there may be other materials I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. I have located the following:

Northern District of Oklahoma (Multiple Locations)

January 2018 – Present

I have given dozens of public presentations on internet crimes against children and online child safety. The audiences have included law enforcement, parents, and the general public. I have not retained a detailed list of the dates, locations, and audiences of these presentations. However, I use the same materials, and I have attached the most recent copy of the PowerPoint presentation that I use.

Devon Tower

333 W Sheridan

Oklahoma City, OK

September 3, 2025

I took part in a panel discussion regarding cybercrime and cybersecurity at the FBI-OKC Executive Cyber Summit.

<https://x.com/FBIOklahomaCity/status/1963336615557738768>

University of Tulsa

3120 E 4th Plaza

Tulsa, OK

October 24, 2024

I appeared on a panel at TU Law with members of the FBI, academia, and the private sector to discuss cybercrime and cybersecurity issues. Available here: https://www.linkedin.com/posts/gablegotwals_energylaw-cybersecuritylaw-activity-7257798088482783233-WhnZ

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333 W Sheridan, Oklahoma City, OK
October 24, 2023

I took part in a panel discussion regarding cybercrime and cybersecurity at the FBI-OKC Executive Cyber Summit. I have included a copy of my presentation.

Greenwood Cultural Center
322 N Greenwood Ave, Tulsa, OK
October 4, 2023

I took part in a panel discussion on hate crime prosecutions along with the FBI, Tulsa County DA, and TPD Chief Franklin. The discussion concerned some recent hate crimes in the Tulsa area, laws used to prosecute those attacks, and how the public could protect themselves. There do not appear to be any press reports available for the event, and I have no copy of my notes.

- e. List all interviews you have given to newspapers, magazines or other publications, or radio or television stations, providing the dates of these interviews and four (4) copies of the clips or transcripts of these interviews where they are available to you.

I have done my best to identify all interviews given, including through a review of my personal files, and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. I have located the following:

DOJ sends \$1.3 million to help fight human trafficking in northeast Oklahoma, *KJRH-TV*, October 31, 2022,
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aWw_IWUxy-M.

Scott Martin, *New details in federal Child Exploitation ring investigation, Broken Arrow man one of many arrested*, Fox23, November 14, 2021,
https://www.fox23.com/news/new-details-in-federal-child-exploitation-ring-investigation-broken-arrow-man-one-of-many-arrested/article_8f89e516-3a9b-5f81-9bc0-5bf235c3eaf1.html.

Jeanette Quezada, *Operation Clean Sweep: 33 people facing federal charges in Okla. child porn case*, 2News Oklahoma, May 12, 2021,
<https://ktul.com/news/local/operation-clean-sweep>
<https://www.kjrh.com/news/local-news/acting-u-s-attorney-law-enforcement-partners-announce-results-of-operation-clean-sweep>.

Grant Stephens, *7 Face Federal Charges For Child Porn As Operation Clean Sweep Is 'Just Beginning'*, News On Six, January 14, 2021,
<https://www.newson6.com/story/600108391446b90bc6f913b1/7-face-federal->

[charges-for-child-porn-as-operation-clean-sweep-is-just-beginning.](#)

Mallory Thomas, *Creek County Man Accused Of Sexually Abusing 2 Children*, News On Six, February 11, 2020, [https://www.newson6.com/story/5e6279bf5d575f9d06d2c4cb/creek-county-man-accused-of-sexually-abusing-2-children.](https://www.newson6.com/story/5e6279bf5d575f9d06d2c4cb/creek-county-man-accused-of-sexually-abusing-2-children)

13. Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:

- a. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.

I have not run for public office.

- b. List all memberships and offices held in and services rendered, whether compensated or not, to any political party or election committee. If you have ever held a position or played a role in a political campaign, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, dates of the campaign, your title and responsibilities.

I served as an alternate delegate to the 2024 Republican National Convention. I also took part in the 2024 CD-1 District Republican Convention and the 2024 State Republican Convention.

I volunteered during the 2004 election cycle with the Tulsa GOP and on Rep. John Sullivan's Congressional Campaign.

I served as an unpaid GOP campus volunteer at the University of Arkansas for the 2008 Presidential Election cycle.

I have been a lifelong registered Republican.

14. Legal Career: Answer each part separately.

- a. Describe chronologically your law practice and legal experience after graduation from law school including:
- i. whether you served as clerk to a judge, and if so, the name of the judge, the court and the dates of the period you were a clerk;

I have not clerked for a judge.

- ii. whether you practiced alone, and if so, the addresses and dates;

I have not practiced alone.

- iii. the dates, names and addresses of law firms or offices, companies or governmental agencies with which you have been affiliated, and the nature of your affiliation with each.

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ADOS Intern, Camp, May 2011 – November 2011
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Student Judge Advocate, Naval Station, October 2013 – December 2013
Trial Counsel, Camp, December 2013 – October 2016
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– Present

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Assistant United States Attorney, January 2018 – March 2023
Deputy Criminal Chief, March 2023 – Present

- iv. whether you served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and, if so, a description of the 10 most significant matters with which you were involved in that capacity.

I have not served as a mediator or arbitrator.

- v. Whether you have held any judicial office, including positions as an administrative law judge, on any U.S. federal, state, tribal, or local court and if so, please provide the name of the court, the jurisdiction of that court, whether the position was appointed or elected, and the dates of your service.

I have not held any judicial office.

b. Describe:

- i. the general character of your law practice and indicate by date when its character has changed over the years.
- ii. your typical clients and the areas at each period of your legal career, if any, in which you have specialized.

I began supervised practice in military courts in 2010, first as a legal assistance officer. In 2011, I served as an assistant defense counsel which provided a valuable perspective on the representation of criminal defendants. After passing the bar in 2012, I began service as a trial counsel (military prosecutor) at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, focusing on criminal prosecutions of adult sex crimes, domestic violence, drug offenses and violent crime, as well as administrative prosecutions for other misconduct.

In 2013, I was transferred to Camp Lejeune, where I again served as a trial counsel. At this time, my practice came to focus almost exclusively on the prosecution of internet crimes against children, contact child sex offenses, child abuse, national security offenses, and violent crime.

In 2015, I began to serve concurrently as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney to prosecute civilian criminal cases that occurred on board Camp Lejeune in federal court in the Eastern District of North Carolina. The subject matter of practice continued to be focused on internet crimes against children, contact child sex offenses, child abuse, national security offenses, and violent crime, with the addition of firearms, arms trafficking, drug trafficking, and all civilian misdemeanor offenses committed onboard the base.

In 2017, after leaving active duty, I spent nearly one year in private practice as an associate attorney at a medical malpractice civil litigation defense firm. In this role, I provided legal defense to hospitals, nurses, and physicians in medical malpractice litigation, conducted internal investigations, and drafted litigation reports for corporate clients, primarily Ascension Healthcare and Ardent Healthcare.

In 2018, I began practice at the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Northern District of Oklahoma. My practice continued to focus almost exclusively on the prosecution of internet crimes against children, cybercrime, national security offenses, and firearms offenses. In this role I held the following coordinator roles: Project Safe Childhood Coordinator; National Security Coordinator; Crisis Management Coordinator; National Security Cyber Specialist; Cybercrime Coordinator; Computer Hacking/Intellectual Property Coordinator; and Border Security Coordinator.

In 2020, following the Supreme Court's ruling in *United States v. McGirt*, my practice shifted to include a greater focus on the prosecution of Indian Country violent crime and contact sex offenses.

In 2023, I was promoted to Deputy Criminal Chief, where I supervise the National Security/Cybercrime Unit and the Project Safe Neighborhood Gun Crime Unit. My responsibilities include training and supervision of twelve AUSAs within the units; review and approval of case initiations and dispositions, charging documents, warrants, plea agreements, and other legal process; and planning and leading large scale law enforcement operations or significant prosecutions. Additionally, I conduct outreach and briefings on public safety and cybersecurity to corporate partners, NGOs, and the general public.

In my military reserve career, I first served as an advisor to active duty victims' legal counsel on the best practices of representation of crime victims from 2016 to 2019. Subsequently, I have served as a legal advisor to military commanders on the law of armed conflict, cyber and intelligence operations, and other military law issues at both United States Cyber Command from 2019 to 2023 and Marine Forces Reserve from 2023 to present.

- c. Describe the percentage of your practice that has been in litigation and whether you appeared in court frequently, occasionally, or not at all. If the frequency of your appearances in court varied, describe such variance, providing dates.

My career has been exclusively focused on litigation, with the vast majority of that focused on criminal litigation in federal courts.

As a line Assistant United States Attorney (2018 – 2023), I appeared in court very

frequently, averaging four to five court appearances a week. After large operations or post-*McGirt*, I often appeared in Magistrate or District court multiple times every day of the week. As a supervisor (2023 – Present), I average one to two court appearances a week. As a Marine Corps trial counsel (2013 – 2016), I was also in court very frequently, similarly averaging four to five hearings a week. I practiced one year (2017) in medical malpractice defense, appearing occasionally in Oklahoma state court.

In my military practice, I also litigated administrative law cases before Boards of Inquiry and Administrative Separation Boards. I still occasionally make appearances before these boards in my current reserve role.

i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| 1. federal courts: | 95% |
| 2. state courts of record: | 2% |
| 3. other courts: | 0% |
| 4. administrative agencies: | 3% |

ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. civil proceedings: | 5% |
| 2. criminal proceedings: | 95% |

d. State the number of cases in courts of record, including cases before administrative law judges, you tried to verdict, judgment or final decision (rather than settled), indicating whether you were sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel.

I have tried a total of nineteen contested criminal trials as lead counsel.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

- | | |
|--------------|-----|
| 1. jury: | 90% |
| 2. non-jury: | 10% |

e. Describe your practice, if any, before the Supreme Court of the United States. Supply four (4) copies of any briefs, amicus or otherwise, and, if applicable, any oral argument transcripts before the Supreme Court in connection with your practice.

I have not practiced before the Supreme Court.

15. **Litigation:** Describe the ten (10) most significant litigated matters which you personally handled, whether or not you were the attorney of record. Give the citations, if the cases were reported, and the docket number and date if unreported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each case. Identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Also state as to each case:

- a. the date of representation;
- b. the name of the court and the name of the judge or judges before whom the case was litigated; and
- c. the individual name, addresses, and telephone numbers of co-counsel and of principal counsel for each of the other parties.

1. United States v. Ricky Leroy White

Case No.22-CR-00401-GKF

United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma

Litigated before the Honorable Gregory K. Frizzell, transferred to the Honorable R. Brooke Jackson (District of Colorado) for trial.

2022 – 2024

This was an Indian country case in which the defendant engaged in abusive sexual contact of two children in his care from 2010 to 2017. Due to intensive litigation concerning Fed. R. Evid. 412, 414, and other evidentiary issues, I made an entry into the case to assist another AUSA with the litigation and contested trial. The defendant was ultimately convicted of all charges and sentenced to 135 months imprisonment and ten years of supervised release, which was subsequently upheld on appeal.

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2. United States v. Hunter Isaiah Hobbs

Case No. 21-CR-00233-GKF

United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma

The Honorable Gregory K. Frizzell

2021-2023

I was lead counsel in a double homicide and attempted murder trial. The defendant was son of local police chief and committed a crime spree in order to gain credibility with a local street gang. After a heavily litigated motions practice, the case was tried in a five day jury trial, resulting in a conviction on all counts and three life sentences. The Tenth Circuit upheld the judgment on appeal, *United States v. Hobbs*, No. 23-5113, 2024 WL 4579315, at *1 (10th Cir. Oct. 25, 2024).

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3. United States v. Jeremy Nicholas Botonis

Case No. 21-CR-00195-CVE
United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
Litigated before the Honorable Claire V. Eagan, transferred to the Honorable Stephen J. Murphy (Eastern District of Michigan) for trial.
2021-2022

I was lead counsel in a child enticement and Indian country abusive sexual contact case involving the defendant engaging in months long grooming of a child relative, culminating in an act of abusive sexual contact. After substantial challenges in obtaining digital evidence and subsequent litigation, the defendant was convicted at a jury trial of all charges and was sentenced to 424 months imprisonment and seven years of supervised release. The judgment has been upheld on appeal.

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4. United States v. Earl Hardy Morrow

Case No. 20-CR-00335-CVE
United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
Litigated before the Honorable Claire V. Eagan, transferred to the Honorable
Daniel D. Crabtree (District of Kansas) for trial.
2020-2022

I was lead counsel in a case in which the defendant distributed, downloaded, and possessed thousands of images and video of child sexual abuse material. The case involved voluminous digital discovery and motions practice concerning Fed. R. Evid 404b. The defendant was convicted at jury trial of all charges and sentenced to 135 months imprisonment and ten years of supervised release. The Tenth Circuit upheld the judgment on appeal. *United States v. Morrow*, 79 F.4th 1169 (10th Cir. 2023).

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5. United States v. Ramar Travelle Palms

Case No. 19-CR-00103-CVE
United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
The Honorable Claire V. Eagan
2019-2021

I was lead counsel in an adult sex trafficking trial. This was the most litigated case of my career with numerous motions filed on detention appeals, search and seizure, rules of evidence, expert testimony, discovery disputes, bill of particulars,

spoilation, and juror misconduct. After the first trial ended in a mistrial with an eleven to one hung jury, the second four day jury trial resulted in a guilty verdict and a twenty year sentence. The Tenth Circuit upheld the judgment on appeal with a favorable circuit precedent-setting opinion on the search of digital devices. *United States v. Palms*, 21 F.4th 689, 695 (10th Cir. 2021).

Primary Co-Counsel:

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6. United States v. Agustin Nieto Regalado

Case No. 19-CR-00114-CVE
United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
The Honorable Claire V. Eagan
2019-2020

I was lead counsel in an undercover enticement sting case, which also uncovered three different actual child victims of enticement and sexual abuse. The defendant was an illegal alien who also used fake identity documents to conceal his true identity. The case involved significant litigation over Fed. R. Evid. 414. The defendant was convicted of all charges at a jury trial and was sentenced to 292 months of imprisonment. The Tenth Circuit upheld the judgment on appeal and issued favorable opinion regarding use and instruction of Fed. R. Evid. 414. *United States v. Regalado*, 844 F. App'x 29 (10th Cir. 2021) (unpublished).

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7. United States v. Veng Xiong

Case No. 18-CR-243-CVE
United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
The Honorable Claire V. Eagan
2018-2019

I was lead counsel in a multi-defendant case involving a Hmong street gang engaged in a conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine and the use of firearms in a drug trafficking crimes. Defendants were apprehended in a sting operation in rural Osage County. Ultimately, only defendant Xiong proceeded to a contested trial, at which he was convicted of all charges and sentenced to twenty years in prison and five years of supervised release. The case was upheld on appeal by the Tenth Circuit Court appeals, which issued a favorable published opinion regarding constructive possession jury instructions. *United States v. Xiong*, 1 F.4th 848 (10th Cir. 2021).

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8. United States v. Tanner J. Forrester

Case No. N/A
Navy-Marine Corps Eastern Judicial Circuit- Camp Lejeune
Major Michael D. Libretto
2014-2015

I was lead counsel in a case involving a Marine possessing hundreds of files of child pornography in multiple digital cloud storage accounts. This was the first case in military courts in which non-physical possession of child pornography had been charged. It required drafting novel charging language and resulted in

extensive litigation over the charging language. The case proceeded to jury trial, where defendant was convicted of all charges. The case was upheld on appeal by the Navy-Marine Corps Court of Appeals and subsequently the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, which issue a favorable precedent-setting opinion on the charging language and unit of prosecution in child pornography cases. The case is still taught at the Army JAG and Naval Justice Schools. *United States v. Forrester*, 76 M.J. 479, 483 (C.A.A.F. 2017).

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9. United States v. Blake D. Evans

Case No. N/A
Navy-Marine Corps Eastern Judicial Circuit- Camp Lejeune
Major Michael D. Libretto
2015

I was lead counsel on a case involving a Marine charged with sexual assault of a child and forcible sodomy in relation to the grooming and rape of a twelve year old girl. The case involved extensive litigation on Fed. R. Evid. 412 and forensic DNA evidence. The defendant was convicted of all charges, and the case was upheld on appeal by the Navy-Marine Corps Court of Appeals.

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10. United States v. Wassef Ali Hassoun

Case No. N/A
Navy-Marine Corps Eastern Judicial Circuit- Camp Lejeune
Major Michael D. Libretto
2014-2015

I was lead counsel in a national security case involving a Marine who faked his own kidnapping in Iraq and deserted from the battlefield in Fallujah. After returning to the United States and being discovered, he fled the country and became a fugitive for the next ten years. The parties litigated multiple classified litigation issues under Military Rule of Evidence 505/Classified Information Procedures Act. After a two week bench trial involving more than thirty witnesses, the defendant was convicted. The case was upheld on appeal. *United States v. Hassoun*, No. 201500204, 2016 WL 4247935, at *1 (N-M. Ct. Crim. App. Aug. 11, 2016).

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16. **Legal Activities:** Describe the most significant legal activities you have pursued, including significant litigation which did not progress to trial or legal matters that did not involve litigation. Describe fully the nature of your participation in these activities. List any client(s) or organization(s) for whom you performed lobbying activities and describe the lobbying activities you performed on behalf of such client(s) or organizations(s). (Note: As to any facts requested in this question, please omit any information protected by the attorney-client privilege.)

Outside of contested trials, my most significant legal activities have involved the following:

Investigation, attribution, and mitigation of multiple national security cyber, espionage, and counter-terrorism cases. These cases require fast and in-depth investigation to either prevent attacks, rule out threats, or mitigate damage already inflicted. Due to the nature of the defendants, the cases very rarely result in prosecution or publicity, but are among the most important work that the United States Attorney's Office does and activities that I have supported throughout my career.

Additionally, I have prosecuted a high volume of child pornography and child enticement cases. For example, I worked primarily with the Tulsa Police Department Cyber Crimes Unit, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and Homeland Security Investigations to increase the volume of proactive internet crimes against children cases by partnering the larger agencies with investigators from smaller agencies to increase the speed and number of NCMEC child pornography cybertips that were investigated and prosecuted and train more officers to conduct undercover enticement stings. These cases rarely proceed to trial, but I believe the deterrent effect of this proactive work is vital in preventing more children from being victimized.

Most important to me has been my work on cases involving child victims. To me, these cases are the most important cases handled by the United States Attorney's Office. Following *McGirt*, our office prosecutes more contact child sex offenses than almost any other federal district in the country. I have had the privilege of prosecuting and obtaining justice for child victims without a trial in dozens of traditional federal and Indian Country crimes against children cases. Obtaining justice, while avoiding having to put a child victim through a contested trial is the best outcome possible.

Outside of the courtroom, I am proud of the work I have done to train other AUSAs to effectively prosecute these types of difficult cases, as well as organizing the office's procedures for effective investigation and prosecution of both traditional federal and Indian Country crimes against children.

17. **Teaching:** What courses have you taught? For each course, state the title, the institution at which you taught the course, the years in which you taught the course, and describe briefly the subject matter of the course and the major topics taught. If you have a syllabus of each course, provide four (4) copies to the committee.

I have not taught any courses on a full time basis. From time to time, I have been asked to serve as a guest speaker on internet crimes against children and cybercrime. I have described those speaking engagements in response to Question 12(d) above.

18. **Deferred Income/ Future Benefits:** List the sources, amounts and dates of all anticipated receipts from deferred income arrangements, stock, options, uncompleted contracts and other future benefits which you expect to derive from previous business

relationships, professional services, firm memberships, former employers, clients or customers. Describe the arrangements you have made to be compensated in the future for any financial or business interest.

I have no arrangements in the future to be compensated for any financial or business interest.

19. **Outside Commitments During Service:** Do you have any plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during your service with the court? If so, explain.

As a reserve Marine Officer, I am generally expected to complete the equivalent of one weekend a month and two weeks a year of military service. Otherwise, I have no other obligations during my potential service.

20. **Sources of Income:** List sources and amounts of all income received during the calendar year preceding your nomination and for the current calendar year, including all salaries, fees, dividends, interest, gifts, rents, royalties, licensing fees, honoraria, and other items exceeding \$500 or more (if you prefer to do so, copies of the financial disclosure report, required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, may be substituted here).

Please see my OGE-278 as provided by the Office of Government Ethics.

21. **Statement of Net Worth:** Please complete the attached financial net worth statement in detail (add schedules as called for).

See attached Net Worth Statement.

22. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:**

- a. Identify the family members or other persons, parties, affiliations, pending and categories of litigation, financial arrangements or other factors that are likely to present potential conflicts-of-interest when you first assume the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you would address any such conflict if it were to arise.

During the nomination process, I consulted with the Department of Justice's ethics office and Designated Ethics Officer to identify any potential conflicts. If I am confirmed, I will continue to consult with that office and will recuse myself from any matter in which recusal is required.

- b. Explain how you will resolve any potential conflict of interest, including the procedure you will follow in determining these areas of concern.

If I am confirmed, any potential conflict of interest will be resolved in accordance with the terms of an ethics agreement that I have entered with the Department's

designated agency ethics official. If confirmed, I will continue to consult with the Department of Justice's ethics office and will recuse myself from any matter in which recusal is required.

23. **Pro Bono Work:** An ethical consideration under Canon 2 of the American Bar Association's Code of Professional Responsibility calls for "every lawyer, regardless of professional prominence or professional workload, to find some time to participate in serving the disadvantaged." Describe what you have done to fulfill these responsibilities, listing specific instances and the amount of time devoted to each. If you are not an attorney, please use this opportunity to report significant charitable and volunteer work you may have done.

As a federal government attorney, I am somewhat limited in my ability to provide pro bono representation under DOJ regulations and 18 U.S.C. § 205. However, in my year in private practice, I took part in the Veterans Law Clinic, in which I provided pro bono representation to several veterans and active-duty service members on family law and estate issues. In my current role, despite the restrictions, I still volunteer in permissible roles. I volunteer with the Child Advocacy Network, have served as a moot court judge with University of Tulsa and University of Oklahoma law schools, conduct outreach events with those schools' military law societies, and have taken part in the Federal Bar Association mentorship programs.

AFFIDAVIT

I, Christopher J. Nassar, do swear
that the information provided in this statement is, to the
best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

June 2, 2026
(DATE)


(NAME)




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