

Message from the Honorable Richard V. Spencer  
Secretary of the Navy  
50<sup>th</sup> Birthday - Navy JAG Corps  
Pentagon, Arlington VA  
26 October 2017

Shipmates - Congratulations to our JAG corps on 50 years of service and excellence!

For the past half-century in times of conflict and peace, both afloat and ashore, our Judge Advocates have made countless contributions to our service members, their families, the Navy and to our Nation.

Judge Advocates personify our Core Values – Honor, Courage, Commitment - and make a difference every day.

Your steady counsel and advice keeps us from running aground ethically and keeps us on the right course. Every day you are contributing to the rich legacy of the JAG Corps.

My wife Polly and I are forever grateful for all that you, your families and your loved ones do for our Nation.

Once again, congratulations and I look forward to the next 50 years of legal excellence.