

J. JEREMIAH MAHONEY
Chief Administrative Law Judge
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

In 2008, the HUD Secretary appointed Judge Mahoney as a United States Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), serving in the Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA), which conducts hearings for four agencies in addition to HUD. (www.hud.gov/oha). He served as president of the Federal Administrative Law Judges Conference from 2012 to 2013.

From 2005 to 2008, Judge Mahoney was employed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as the Board Chair for the Transportation Security Administration's Disciplinary Appeals Board. He authored opinions announcing the final agency decision (non-reviewable) on over 800 adverse employment actions taken against Transportation Security Officers.

From 2003 to 2005, Judge Mahoney was a trial attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Capital Case Unit. He analyzed pending federal capital cases to assist the Attorney General in deciding whether or not to seek the death penalty. He also acted as a consultant and trial associate for Assistant U.S. Attorneys authorized to prosecute death penalty cases.

From 2000 to 2003, Judge Mahoney was a lecturer in legal subjects for the University of Maryland, University College in Europe, while accompanying his active-duty wife, a U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate (JAG), then stationed at Ramstein Air Base, Germany, and now serving as an Appellate Military Judge on the U.S. Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals.

Previously, Judge Mahoney served as an Air Force JAG, stationed at 12 locations worldwide. For over 24 years he served as a military trial judge, including Chief Circuit Judge in his last three assignments. He presided at almost 2,000 criminal trials, including numerous murder cases, three of which were death penalty eligible. He presided at the first DNA trial in the military, and the first HIV assault trial in any U.S. jurisdiction. In the first Gulf War (Operation Desert Storm), he presided in the hostile-fire area at the prosecution of wartime offenses. Between assignments on the trial bench, Judge Mahoney served 3 years as an appellate judge on the U.S. Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals. He participated in over 500 appellate decisions, and wrote 50 opinions published in West's Military Justice Reporter. He retired as a colonel, and is the longest-serving military judge in U.S. history.

Judge Mahoney received his J.D. degree from the Syracuse University, College of Law, where he was the Student Articles Editor of the Syracuse Law Review. He is a Distinguished Military Graduate of the University of Notre Dame, and is a graduate of the U.S. Armed Forces Staff College and the Air War College. He serves as a volunteer faculty member of the National Judicial College, and is admitted to the Bars of Illinois, New York, California, Texas, and the United States Supreme Court. (09/2017)