Judge Advocate

It is the responsibility of the JA to interpret all aspects of the Unified CBL, ensure that all actions of the Chapter/Department are within the AMVETS and AMVETS Riders guidelines and in the case of disciplinary actions; act as the prosecutor for the hearing.

The Judge Advocate is responsible for drafting the Chapter's and Department's Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for presentation to and adoption by the general membership. The original SOP, together with any changes, additions or corrections must be sent to the Department Judge Advocate for review, approval and forwarding to the National headquarters. The National Membership Department maintains a permanent file of important documents on each Chapter. A Chapter/Department will adopt its own SOP, provided the provisions are not in conflict with the Unified Constitution and Bylaws. A sample Chapter SOP is provided as an addendum to the Unified By-Laws. The Judge Advocate shall perform other duties as assigned by the Executive Board or the President.