

# HONORING OUR VETERANS OF WAR AND PEACE

By Michael D. White



**W**HEN OUR PERILS ARE PAST, SHALL OUR GRATITUDE SLEEP? THE ANSWER TO THIS OFT-QUOTED line penned many years ago by the British statesman George Canning is, of course, "No. Never."

In a fitting token of that gratitude, this edition of *Valley Lawyer* features a salute to the members of the San Fernando Valley Bar Association who served our nation's armed forces. Spotlighted are the reminiscences veterans of all the branches of the military that, in their own way, serve as a grateful acknowledgement of those who served and stood guard over our freedoms in both war and peace that's both well-deserved and hard-earned.

**JUSTICE ARMAND ARABIAN, RET.**  
*Army, 1956-1958*

A ROTC graduate of Boston University, Justice Arabian was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army in 1956. Over the next two years, the future Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court went airborne, qualifying both as a paratrooper and as a Master Pathfinder at Ft. Benning, Georgia.

"I started Ranger School, but with less than a year to go before being separated, I only completed one-third of the training," he says.

During one of his fourteen jumps as a paratrooper, Arabian became entangled with another jumper. "Nobody got excited, neither of us pulled our reserve [parachute] and we both landed right near each other."

After leaving the Army, Arabian returned to Boston University, where he was named president of his law school graduating class. Moving to California, he passed the bar and began a distinguished career that culminated in his being named to the California Supreme Court in 1983.

"In the Army, I learned leadership and how to get along with people," says Arabian. "If you wanted to be a leader and had the ability, that was the place to learn to be one. It was very valuable to learn how to deal with difficulties and adapt to tough situations."



**ANTHONY C. BELLER**  
*Army, 1969-1971*  
*Army Reserve, 1971-1977*



Tony Beller participated in ROTC at UCLA and became an Army infantry company commander while on active duty from 1969 to 1971.

With the rank of Captain, he had three platoons under his command, but happily stayed stateside. "Being in the infantry we spent a lot of time in the field for tactical training," he says. "The war in Vietnam was cooling down but we took our training very seriously."

**ANDY BELTRAN**  
*Marine Corps, 2001-2005*

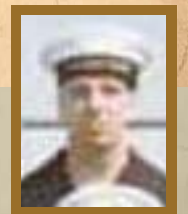
A first year attorney in solo practice, Andy Beltran served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 2001 to 2005. During his deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, he was assigned to the 2nd Fleet Anti-terrorism Security Team, also known as the 2nd FAST Company.

While in Baghdad, he took advantage of an opportunity to take a break from his duties with a sit-down on Saddam Hussein's golden throne.

"After the Marine Corps, I worked on Department of Defense and Department of State contracts as a security contractor," he says. "I worked as a personal security specialist...and provided security for then Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, and then Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi, while they were in Baghdad."



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**STEPHEN BIEGENZAHN**  
*Marine Corps, 1971-1978*

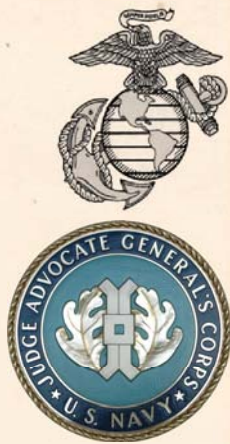
Commissioned in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1971, Stephen Biegenzahn was deferred from active duty until he graduated from law school. He passed the bar in 1974 and went on active duty the following January.

"I went to Naval Justice School in Newport Rhode Island and was ultimately stationed at Camp Pendleton," he says. "Assigned to JAG, I acted as a prosecutor and as a defense counsel. I was then assigned to an administrative billet where I provided legal advice to Marines and their spouses who had issues under California law. I took terminal leave late in 1978."

Biegenzahn has two aspects of his service which he remembers "vividly and fondly"—having the opportunity to play tackle football until he was 28, and the trial in which his client, a young black Marine from North Carolina, was charged with attempted murder following the group assault on what was thought to be a Ku Klux Klan cell on the base at Camp Pendleton.

"The case and its companions—seven or more—drew both Jesse Jackson and David Duke to Oceanside, California, as well as a fair amount of media attention," he recalls. "A good kid with an excellent record who made a mistake."

Thanks to the judicial process under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, says Biegenzahn, "We were able to keep him in the Corps, get him out of the brig, and six months later he was at North Carolina State, playing basketball on scholarship."



**RICK BITAR**

*Marine Corps,  
 1989-1993*

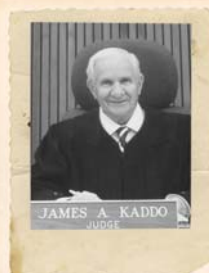
Paralegal Rick Bitar is an Operation Desert Storm/Gulf War veteran who enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1989. He underwent boot camp training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, where he earned the highest M-16 rifle qualification training in his platoon, and nearly beat a drill sergeant who challenged him to an obstacle course race a week before graduation.

Following his graduation from boot camp, Bitar was assigned to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, where he served as a Supply Administration & Operations Specialist in a Light Armored Infantry Battalion. His duties included the fiscal accounting and administration of his unit's inventory of weapons, Kevlar helmets, and other critical equipment.

Finding that accounting and making inventory adjustments sometimes got "boring," Bitar often volunteered to train with an infantry company and an elite Marine Recon unit while stationed at Camp Lejeune. There he learned to rappel from a helicopter, swim to shore while wearing full combat gear, and trained in other areas such as amphibious assault exercises that, he says, "provided physical challenges."



**KENNETH GREEN**  
*Army,  
 1957-1958*



**JUDGE JAMES A. KADDO**  
*Army,  
 1956-1958  
 Army Reserve,  
 1958-1962*



**JULIAS STEWART**  
*Navy,  
 1983-1989*

**RONALD R. COHN**  
*Air National Guard,*  
 1970-1976

In the early 1970s, Ronald Cohn marched, almost literally, “down the street” to sign up with the California Air National Guard’s 147th Combat Communications Squadron, then based at Van Nuys Airport.

Basic training was “endured” at Lackland Air Force Base with Tech School at Shepard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas. “Hot and humid one day, then freezing cold the next,” Cohn recalls. “No trees, mountains or anything else, just rolling prairie. For some reason, some folks call it God’s Country. I think Hawaii might be, but Texas, no.”

The 147th, says Cohn, “was part of a statewide group that had the mission of remotely setting up communications equipment like radios and large generators for power. The idea was that we could provide communications ability for command authorities in any environment during a natural disaster or in the event of enemy attack that destroyed established systems.”

“Maybe the important thing about our service, and perhaps the service of the vast majority, is that we were an insurance policy for the country,” says Cohn. “Maybe we didn’t serve in any wars, but we were there as back-up had the need arose... our individual experiences were uneventful and unremarkable and maybe that was because we were there in the first place.”

After six years of service with the California Air National Guard, Cohn was honorably discharged with the rank of Sergeant (E4).



**JUDGE DONALD H. FOSTER, RET.**  
*Army Air Force,*  
 1943-1945

With four years of ROTC under his belt—three in the infantry and one in the horse cavalry at the Virginia Military Institute—retired judge Donald Foster learned to fly in the late 1930s at an airfield outside his native Peoria, Illinois.

“I was instructed on the Piper Cub and then went to Indianapolis and took every course I could at the Roscoe Turner Aeronautical Institute,” Foster recalls at age 96. “I learned aerobatics, night and instrument flying, cross country flying...the works.”

When the United States was drawn into World War II, Foster went to work for the government as a civilian contractor flight instructor. “I was much more valuable as an instructor than as a soldier,” he says. “They put me to work teaching glider pilots, Navy pilots and Army pilots, and I wound up flying planes all over the United States, Canada and Alaska. I delivered P-51 fighters, B-17 bombers and just about everything in between that could fly. It was very exciting, very enlightening.”

After two years working as a civilian, Foster joined the USAAF in Long Beach, California, went through officers training and received his wings as a Flight Officer after more training in Nashville, Tennessee. He was assigned to haul people and cargo in the U.S. and Canada and then between Oran, Algeria, in North Africa and Italy.

“There’s no question that my experience helped me to be a better lawyer and judge. The discipline and an understanding of the world; seeing how other people live. It was a great eye-opener and gave me a perspective I never would have had otherwise.”



## SIDNEY FRANKLIN

*Air Force Reserve, 1959-1965*



Sidney Franklin Enlisted in the U.S. Air Force Reserve in 1959, serving to 1965 as a medic. Trained at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas and Hamilton Field in Marin County, California, Franklin's unit was based at Fort Miley Hospital in San Francisco.

Additional training followed every summer at various bases in Utah, Illinois and other locations, he says. "Sometimes we wound up back in Texas, but most of my time was spent in the Bay Area."

Franklin was attending school at Cal Berkeley when he enlisted and had almost completed law school at Hastings School of Law when he was discharged with the rank of Airman 2c.

"I felt then and still have good feelings about the military," says Franklin. "It was pre-Vietnam when I enlisted and the anti-military environment at Berkeley hadn't yet gelled. It was a typical college then, with fraternities, guys in loafers and crewcuts, and girls in skirts. Things have changed."

## PAUL L. FREESE, JR.

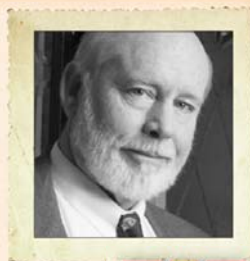
*Army, 1973-1976*

Paul Freese served in the U.S. Army from 1973 to 1976. After basic training at Fort Ord, California, he trained at Fort Gordon, Georgia, and assigned to the 165th Military Police Company in Fischbach, Germany.

He recalls being called a "wimp" for having to go to sick bay during training, only to be told by the doctor that he would have died from pneumonia in three days had he not reported that day.

Freese's father, prominent attorney Paul L. Freese, Sr., was also an Army veteran; 2nd Lieutenant Freese was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received during the Korean War's Battle of Pork Chop Hill. "I was a rare upper middle class kid who volunteered and was stationed with draftees from poor farms, ghettos, blue collar communities, ranches and bayous—and I knew most of these guys would never move on to college," says Freese. "But, in short order, I discovered that if the situation required it, any one would lay down their life for me, and that was deeply humbling."

Freese received his honorable discharge as a Specialist 4. He currently serves as Director of Litigation & Advocacy with Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles and is developing its Veterans Initiative.

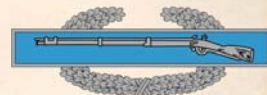


## ALBERT J. GHIRARDELLI

*Army, 1943-1945*



In May of 1943, at the end of his freshman year at UCLA, Albert Ghirardelli received his draft notice and was inducted into the U.S. Army.



"After several detours, I ended up with the 97th Infantry Division, as part of General Patton's 3rd Army," says Ghirardelli.

Originally trained for amphibious assaults in the Pacific, the 97th Infantry Division was, instead, deployed to Europe because of the heavy casualties incurred during the Battle of the Bulge in December 1944. On April 7, 1945, the division was assigned to clear out the heavily defended Ruhr Pocket, located just east of the Rhine River. In that bitter and costly engagement, Ghirardelli was seriously wounded when a German rifle shot tore through his upper jaw.

"After five months of medical work on my jaw, and with the war over, I was discharged in November 1945, with the award of the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman Badge."

Now retired from his legal practice, Ghirardelli has been a member of the Valley Bar since the early 1950s and served as the Bar's President in 1957.



## D. WAYNE JEFFRIES

*Navy, 1968-1970; Naval Reserve, 1970-1974*

Attorney Wayne Jeffries served a six-year stretch in the US Navy from August 1968 through August 1974. Commissioned an Ensign after graduating from UCLA, he spent two years aboard the destroyer U.S.S. Charles P. Cecil, DD 835, first as the ship's Electronics Maintenance Officer and then as the Combat Information Center Officer for the remainder of his tour.

"We went on an overseas cruise to the Indian Ocean for six and a half months in 1969 and visited ports in Africa and India," he says. "At that time the fleet in the Indian Ocean consisted of two destroyers. We were sent so that the United States had a presence in that ocean as a counter to the Soviet Union."

During the cruise, Jeffries qualified as "Officer of the Deck, Independent" and was promoted to Lieutenant (Junior Grade) and recalls a port call in Trincomalee, Ceylon [now Sri Lanka], with people visiting the ship "to look at the moon" during the Apollo 11 moon landing.

Following his two years of active duty, Jeffries served an additional four years in the U.S. Naval Reserve.



## MAURICE LEWITT

*Army, 1954-1956*

Maurice Lewitt was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1954 after graduating from Ohio State Law School and passing the Ohio bar.

After basic training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, he spent some time guarding the country's gold reserves there. Because he had previously earned a bachelor's degree in accounting at Kent State University, Lewitt was later assigned for two years to the Army Audit Agency, which was then located in Los Angeles. He was a Specialist, Third Class.

While assigned to the Audit Agency, Lewitt audited Army costs at bases in the western United States, such as Ft. Huachuca in Arizona and Fort MacArthur in San Pedro, as well as various government industrial contracts. He loved California so much he decided to stay and passed the California bar in 1956.



## RICHARD A. LEWIS

*National Guard, 1964-1968*

*Army, 1968-1969*

*Army Reserve, 1972-1976*

Richard Lewis graduated from the California Military Academy in 1967 as a Second Lieutenant while serving with the California National Guard. Assigned first as Division Signal Support Officer, he then served as an Armored Cavalry Platoon Leader in the 1/18th Armored Cavalry Regiment.

The following year, he and his unit were activated and Lewis was eventually assigned to the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, the famed "Black Horse" regiment, serving in Vietnam as a First Lieutenant in command of a platoon in the Regiment's 1st Squadron.

While serving in Vietnam, he received the Purple Heart in 1969 for wounds received in action after his unit was caught in a North Vietnamese ambush. After being discharged from active duty in 1969, Lewis went on to serve in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1972 to 1976 as a Psychological Operations Officer.

During that time, Lewis also attended the Army's Race Relations School located at Treasure Island near San Francisco and graduated as a Race Relations Officer.



**RICHARD T. MILLER**  
*Army, 1974-1977*

Richard Miller volunteered for the U.S. Army right out of high school in the summer of 1974; served three years after basic and specialty training at Ft. Dix, New Jersey; and transferred to Ft. Riley, Kansas, where he spent the remainder of his two and a half years in the First Infantry Division, the "Big Red One."

He was first assigned as a wireman stringing wire for telephones and then was trained as a radio teletype operator working out of an armored personnel carrier.

"Discharged with a sense of responsibility and discipline that has served me well over the years. The biggest benefit was giving me the ability to focus on the rest of my life. I wasn't what you'd call 'educationally inclined'...I joined right after high school and didn't care at the time about furthering my education."

With his DD-214 in-hand, however, Miller enrolled at Kansas State University and, after a year, transferred to Rutgers University, where he received his undergraduate degree in political science. Miller then moved to Los Angeles and graduated from Southwestern Law School.



**W. PATRICK NOONAN**  
*Navy, 1967-1970*

Following graduation in 1967 from the University of Michigan with a Pharmacy degree and an MBA, Patrick Noonan had plans to work in marketing for a large pharmaceutical company. However, with the war in Vietnam escalating and the possibility of getting drafted looming on the horizon, he applied for and received a direct commission in the Navy as a Lieutenant (Junior Grade), with a three year commitment to serve in the Navy's Medical Service Corps as a pharmacist.



Following a month of orientation at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Washington, D.C., Noonan was assigned to the San Diego Naval Hospital and the Naval Recruit Training Center. "At the time the San Diego Naval Hospital was the busiest military hospital in the world with all the casualties returning from Vietnam," he says. "I was blessed that I was able to stay in San Diego the whole time."

Once in San Diego, though, he started thinking about a career in the law and decided to enroll at the University of San Diego Law School, which he attended at night on the GI Bill. By the time of his separation from the Navy, Noonan had reached the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

"I learned respect for others in the Navy" says Noonan. "Your worth among the people you serve with is based on what you do and how you do it. It was, and is, a great environment to learn how to treat other people."

**DONALD J. MIOD**  
*Army, 1969-1971*

Married for two years before being drafted into the U.S. Army in 1969, accountant Don Miod went through basic training at Ft. Ord and advanced training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, before serving a year in Vietnam as an Armored Reconnaissance Intelligence Specialist with C Troop, 2nd Squadron, 1st Cavalry.

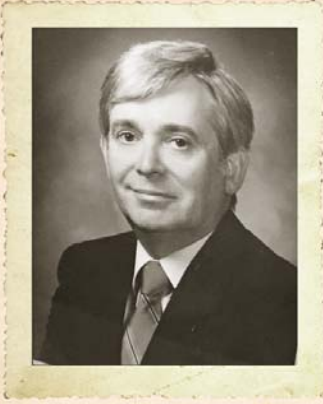
"Two months after I arrived in Vietnam, I got a Dear John letter from my wife," he says. "That was something I had to deal with. What else can be said?"

His assignment to Vietnam was the first time Miod had ever traveled overseas. While 'in country,' Miod recalls how "incredible it was to find out how someone from Minnesota or Alabama lived their life and about their life experiences."

That brotherhood has more than stood the test of time as former members of his old unit meets every two years for a reunion. "We found as many of our troop as we could and started having reunions, and it's amazing to be together with everyone again."

Miod was discharged in 1971 as a Sergeant with a Purple Heart and an Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device. All in all, he says, "I learned how precious and short life can be. It was an amazing experience and I wouldn't trade it for anything. I'd do it all over again even though I was scared to death at a very young age."





**MARK PASTOR**  
*Air National Guard, 1962-1968*

From 1962 to 1968, attorney Mark Pastor served in the California Air National Guard. After extensive training in Texas, Pastor was assigned as a technical supply specialist with the 146th Military Airlift Wing, based in Van Nuys, California.

Soon after enlisting, the 146th was activated and served as a unit of the U.S. Air Force, with two squadrons of C-97 aircraft specializing in long-distance transport missions to Hawaii, Japan,

and Europe, and during the Vietnam War, to South Vietnam, Philippines, Thailand, and Japan.

“We moved a lot of people and materials all over the world,” says Pastor, who graduated from Harvard Law School after completing his undergraduate work at Indiana University. “Overall, it was a good experience. I got to meet a lot of people from different backgrounds and see a lot of the world I wouldn’t have had the chance to see otherwise.”



**TIMOTHY L. O'HAIR**  
*Marine Corps, 2008-2012*

Serving from 2008-2012, O'Hair “entered Marine Corps Officer Candidate School because I lacked direction in my life after college. I knew that I did not want to spend my early 20s in an office, but beyond that, I had no plan. Although I had never been outside of Sacramento for much longer than a week, I got on a plane to Quantico and spent 10 weeks with the infamous Marine Corps Drill Instructors.”



A year after his being commissioned a Second Lieutenant and training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, O'Hair was deployed to Okinawa where he acted as the Executive Officer of a 100-man Field Military Police company. “Rather than doing standard garrison policing, we focused on tactical and combat policing more...we were more akin to an infantry unit than a police unit.”

“I was in Afghanistan a year later monitoring the flow of small-arms to various Afghan military and police tactical units,” he says.

O'Hair deployed to Afghanistan in a dual role. “First, to monitor the flow of foreign sales small arms weapons to Afghan military and police units and, second, conduct security analyses on Afghan Army Hospitals, with an aim toward hardening their physical defenses,

which led to a Defense Meritorious Service Medal,” he says.

Leaving the Marine Corps in 2012 and “once again unsure what was in my future,” O'Hair recalls that, “Unlike some, I didn’t acquire a specific trade from my training. But what I did acquire was perhaps more valuable—I learned to be adaptable to any scenario, to solve-problems however they were presented, and, more than anything else, to always complete my mission, whatever it may be.”

That “sense of determination,” he says, “led me to law school—which was nothing more than a pipe dream before the military—and from law school to the California Department of Justice, where I now serve as a Deputy Attorney General in the Criminal Division.”

In addition to an award of the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, O'Hair also received the Joint Services Achievement Medal, the Joint Services Meritorious Unit Ribbon, the Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the Afghan Campaign Medal (OEF), and an Overseas Service Ribbon for his service.



**CHRIS  
PODBIELSKI**

*Navy, 1988-1992*

Chris Podbielski served the U.S. Navy from 1988 to 1992. Completing boot camp training in Orlando, Florida, she attended Defense Information School (DINFOS), the U.S. military's all-service journalism and public affairs school located at that time at Fort Benjamin Harrison, outside of Indianapolis, Indiana.

After graduating from DINFOS, Podbielski was assigned for two years to the U.S. Naval Station Subic Bay in The Philippines, working in radio and television production for a small station under an Air Force command.

She earned two Air Force Commendation Medals for her service during and following the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo in 1991. She later served down under at a small communications station in Exmouth, Australia, with "only a few speed limits and miles of empty shoreline."

Podbielski left the Navy as a Petty Officer Second Class Journalist.



**SCOTT W. WILLIAMS**

*Air Force, 1989-1992*

Attorney Scott Williams attended Cal State Northridge while taking Air Force ROTC at UCLA. "I received my commission as a Second Lieutenant in 1989 and entered active duty that September at Vandenberg AFB to attend Undergraduate Missile Training."

Williams' first and only station was, what he deems, "the vacation capitol of the world—Grand Forks Air Force Base, North Dakota. We would refer to Chicago as the tropics."

As a Minuteman III ICBM Combat Crew Commander, he served as part of a two man team that would pull about eight 24-hour "alerts" some 80 feet underground the frozen tundra.

"Our primary mission was to maintain the readiness of our nation's land based strategic nuclear force, and to launch if ordered by the President. Fortunately for all mankind, we never got that order," he says.

Williams' day-to-day duties included running remote tests on the missiles via cable or radio—"the silos were several miles from our Launch Control Centers"—and to coordinate maintenance teams who would need access to the sites using remote authentication codes.

"It snows in North Dakota every month except August. In May 1992, I was about ready to pack up for my relief crew's arrival later that morning, when we got the word, 'Snow is too heavy, all crews are staying put, your relief will arrive tomorrow.' And so it was."



**RONALD M. SUPANCIC**

*Navy, Naval Reserve, 1956-1980*

"When I graduated from high school in 1957, my options seemed very limited," says attorney Ron Supancic. "There was no money for college. The draft was mandatory, but I wanted to get an education. So, as a 16-year-old high school student, I joined the Naval Reserve."

Following a cruise on a World War II-vintage destroyer escort, Supancic was sent to San Diego for boot camp. After graduation, he attended electronics school at the Great Lakes Naval Station, near Chicago, and later qualified for training as a fire control technician with secret clearance to work on classified systems aboard several destroyers.



"After I got out of the Navy, I secured a job in aerospace due to my secret clearance and my electronics training," he says. "I worked nights and attended UCLA during the day, graduated from UCLA with honors and enrolled at USC Law School, all while advancing my eight-year career in aerospace," he says.

All that, he says, was "thanks to the training I received in the Navy and the additional advanced training going into undergraduate and law school. I completed my law degree, then applied and received a commission as a reserve officer in the United States Naval Reserve Judge Advocate General's Corps. I moved up the ranks as an officer, finally arriving at the level of Lieutenant Commander."

Supancic regrets leaving the Navy before completing a 20-year hitch. "It's a mistake I've regretted ever since," he says. "The training I received from the Navy was invaluable to me. It allowed me to begin and build my career."

## DONALD ZELINSKY

Navy, 1955-1958

Attorney Donald Zelinsky spent three years from 1955 to 1958 as a Hospital Corpsman in the U.S. Navy. After graduating from Navy boot camp in San Diego, he was selected for training at the Naval Hospital in San Diego and, when his time for obligatory sea duty arrived, he instead volunteered to serve in the field with the Marines.

The commitment called him to repeat his boot camp experience with the rank of 3rd Class Petty Officer at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, followed by Field Medical School at Camp Pendleton, and additional special operations training at Camp Pendleton.


"I was somewhat enlightened going through boot camp the second time with the Marines because I knew what to expect," says 'Doc' Zelinsky. "It was a lot worse than Navy boot camp, but I tried to turn it around and make fun of it."

While not able to share specifics about the classified operations he was involved in, Zelinsky says his time in the service during the Cold War was



anything but. "It was just after Korea and just before Vietnam, so you can put the pieces together."

The first time he made 3rd Class, he recalls, "Someone with one more stripe than me made fun of my religion. I punched him, broke his jaw and got busted, so I had to make 3rd Class all over again."

What did he take away from his service experience? "I grew up and learned to rely on myself and others, and trust them," he says. "I was also able to develop a good view of the world. There's a lot more good out there than there is bad. You just have to look for it. It's difficult sometimes, but it's what you have to do." 



This Veterans Day, the SFVBA recognizes the following members who have served in our nation's military. We are grateful for their service in upholding the Constitution of the United States and advancing the ideals of liberty, justice, and rule of law.

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