



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CAPTAIN NICOLE R. LENHARD

Captain Nicole R. Lenhard is Chief of Operations Law for the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota. As Chief of Operations Law, Capt Lenhard supports Air Force Global Strike Command by providing legal services to and advising both the largest B-1 combat wing in the U.S. Air Force and the bed-down of the B-21 Raider, the first strategic bomber in over thirty years. Capt Lenhard is also responsible for providing legal assistance to over 12,000 servicemembers, retirees and civilians.

Capt Lenhard graduated from the University of Texas at San Antonio with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance. She graduated from Capital University Law School in May 2023, earning her Juris Doctor. She received a Direct Commission as an Air Force Judge Advocate and entered active duty in December 2023. She is a member of the Ohio State Bar and admitted to practice law before the district courts of Ohio, Ohio Court of Appeals, and the Supreme Court of Ohio.



EDUCATION

- 2019 Bachelor of Business Administration, Finance, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
- 2023 Juris Doctor, Capital University Law School, Columbus, OH
- 2023 Officer Training School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2024 Judge Advocate Staff Officer Course, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 2024 – Present, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Legal Assistance, Chief of Operations Law), 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth Air Force Base, SD

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- 2024 Company Grade Officer of the Quarter (1st Quarter), WSA Ellsworth AFB
- 2024 Outstanding Judge Advocate of the Quarter (1st Quarter), 8 AF
- 2024 DAF Outstanding Legal Office of the Year

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

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| First Lieutenant | 2 December 2023 |
| Captain | 2 June 2024 |

(Current as of May 2025)