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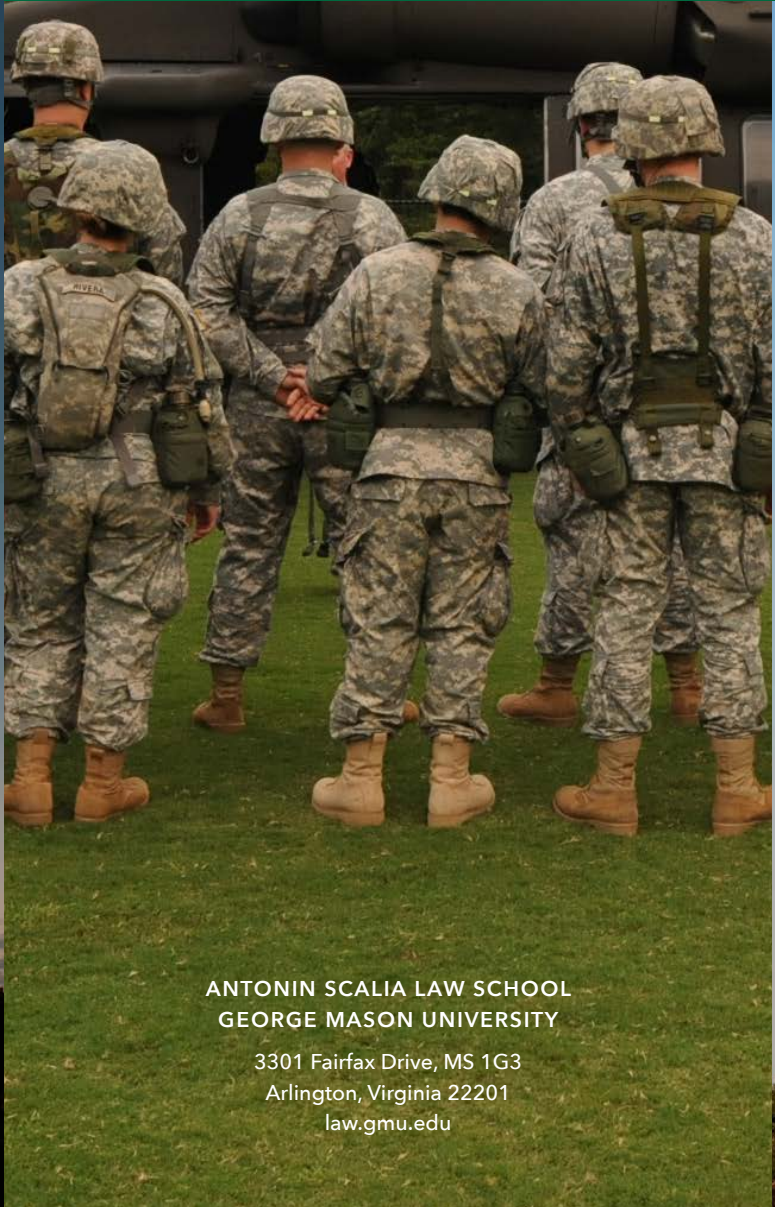
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## MASON VETERANS AND SERVICEMEMBERS LEGAL CLINIC (M-VETS)

The first clinic of its kind at any law school in the United States of America, M-VETS provides free legal representation to active-duty servicemembers, veterans and their dependents while offering law students the opportunity to receive supervised, practical legal experience by advocating for those who serve or have served in our armed forces.



The Antonin Scalia Law School has always been recognized as a safe harbor and advocate for military servicemembers and veterans. It boasts a high percentage of veterans among its JD graduates.

M-VETS serves the community and provides opportunities for law students to share in Mason's tradition of respect for our veterans.

Under supervision, students in the clinic assist clients with matters before agencies of the Commonwealth of Virginia, federal agencies, and in local and federal courts. The clinic serves the dual purpose of helping our servicemembers, veterans and their families as well as providing substantive legal training for our students in an environment designed to give back to the military community.

## WHAT M-VETS DOES

### M-VETS FIGHTS FOR VETERANS' BENEFITS

- NOD's, Board of Veterans Appeals, and CAVC Matters
- Pension/Dependency and Indemnity Compensation
- Discharge Upgrade Applications

### M-VETS ADVOCATES FOR SERVICEMEMBERS

- PEB/MEB/Medical Discharge Assistance
- Record Corrections
- Military Pay and Entitlements

### M-VETS SERVES FAMILIES

- Family/Domestic Relations
  - Uncontested Divorces
  - Step-Parent Adoptions
  - Name Changes
  - Child Support Modifications/Registrations of Foreign Orders

### M-VETS AT HOME AND IN THE MARKETPLACE

- Civil Matters
  - Housing and Landlord/Tenant
  - Contract Matters
  - Wills and Powers of Attorney
  - Petitions for Expungement

Mason students have contributed thousands of hours in *pro bono* services for veterans, servicemembers and their families. M-VETS has helped more than 300 clients since its inception.

**Due to demand, M-VETS does not accept walk-ins.**

**M-VETS does not practice criminal defense.**



## PRAISE FOR M-VETS

*"To say that M-VETS is an amazing resource to the Veteran Community is a massive understatement. Without this service we would have had no choice but to abandon our legal case. Their professionalism, dedication and work ethic are in line with the highest ethos we were all instilled with in the U.S. military."*

*-USMC VETERAN*



*"If I had to sum up what the clinic has meant for my family and me, it would be 'hope'. They took on our breach of contract matter, which we could never have afforded to pursue on our own, and fought to get justice for us and compensation for all we had lost."*

*-CPL AND SPOUSE, US ARMY*