

NJSBA Military Law and Veterans' Affairs Symposium to discuss PTSD, veterans' benefits

Sandy Rader Award to be presented at virtual event

The New Jersey State Bar Association's (NJSBA) virtual Military Law and Veterans' Affairs Symposium on Feb. 19 features an array of timely and relevant sessions that span family law, veterans' compensation benefits law, ethics and the Malmedy massacre trial of 1946, and post-traumatic stress disorder.

"We are looking forward to this year's symposium, which promises to have thoughtful and engaging sessions and discussion that will appeal to not only lawyers, but active-duty military, veterans and those interested in learning more about the kinds of issues they face," said retired Judge Edward M. Neafsey, chair of the NJSBA Military Law and Veterans' Affairs Section, and moderator of the symposium.

Featured speakers include Lt. Gen. Stuart W. Risch, Judge Advocate

California Superior Court Judge Socrates P. Manoukian will give the keynote address.

"He will talk about the wounds—physical and psychological—that returning soldiers often carry with them and about the need to help soldiers re-enter society and to heal. Judge Manoukian's son, Marine Capt. Matthew Patrick Manoukian, gave his life in Afghanistan to save the lives of other Marines. He was posthumously awarded a Navy Cross for valor in combat," Neafsey said.

Additional speakers include Robert A. Ebberup and retired Lt. Col. Sarajane (Sally) Stenton, of the Law Offices of Robert Ebberup in Toms River; Michael Fleres, of Paras, Apy and Reis in Red Bank; Thomas Roughneen, of Thomas Roughneen & Associates in Madison; Robert Ramsey, of the Law Offices of



Nancy Y. Morgan

Consultants; and Nancy Y. Morgan, of Fineklstein and Partners in Newark.

Morgan, who started the Veterans' Service Group at her firm, will be presented the Sandy Rader Award. She witnessed firsthand her husband's fight for veterans' disability benefits. His struggles inspired her to find a way to continue to serve others by assisting veterans who were also struggling with the process of applying and being

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General of the U.S. Army and a Seton Hall Law School graduate, who will provide opening remarks. In addition,

Robert Ramsey in Hamilton; Renee T. White, Ocean County Prosecutor's Office; Robert J. Delaney, of Delaney

awarded the benefits they deserved.

To register for the symposium, visit njicle.com

