



## **International Conference**

### ***Transitional Law and Beyond***

**19 – 22 November 2014, Bogota (Colombia)**

*Organized by*

*The Conference of American Armies,*

*The Pontificia Universidad Javeriana*

*The International Society for Military Law and the Law of War*

*Hosted at the Military Club*

***Provisional Program***

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#### **Wednesday, 19 November 2014**

08:00 – 17:00 Registration of participants

17:00 – 22:00 Welcome Cocktail

On behalf of:

General Jaime Alfonso Lasprilla Villamizar and Spouse  
Major General Ernesto Maldonado Guarnizo and Spouse  
Major General Gustavo Rincon Rivera and Spouse  
Dr. Alejandro Ordoñez and Spouse  
Brigadier General Jan Peter Spijk LL.M. MA (ret.)  
Dr. Julio Andres Sanpedro Arrubla and Spouse

Words of Welcome by

General Jaime Alfonso Lasprilla Villamizar  
Commander of the National Army of the Republic of Colombia

Dr. Julio Andres Sanpedro Arrubla

Dean of the Faculty of Law of the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Musical Show

Thursday, 20 November 2014

- 08:00 – 09:00                      Opening Program
- National Anthem of Colombia  
   Presented by the Music Band of the Presidential Guard Battalion
- Hommage to the Fallen
- Opening Words by:  
General Jaime Alfonso Lasprilla Villamizar  
   Commander of the National Army of the Republic of Colombia and  
   President of the Conference of American Armies
- Greetings from the Soldiers, Victims of the Armed Conflict
- FIRST MODULE      The Soldier as Victim of Armed Conflict*
- 09:00 – 10:00                      Speaker:  
   Dr. Alejandro Ordoñez  
   General Prosecutor of the Republic of Colombia
- Juan Fernando Cristo tbc  
   Minister of the Interior of the Republic of Colombia
- Humberto de La Calle tbc  
   Chief Negotiator of the Peace Process
- 10:00 – 10:30                      Break
- 10:30 – 11:30                      *Victims and Historical Memory*
- Speaker:  
   Dr. Julio Andres Sanpedro Arrubla  
   Dean of the Faculty of Law of the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
- Moderator:  
   Brigadier General Waldo Martínez Caceres  
   General Prosecutor of the Army of the Republic of Chile
- 11.30 – 12.30                      Speaker:  
   Almirante Alvaro Luiz Pinto  
   Vice Presidente of the Tribunal Superior Militar of the Republic of  
   Brazil
- Moderator :  
   Mr. Alfons Vanheusden LL.M.  
   Assistant Secretary-General of the International Society for Military  
   Law and the Law of War
- 12:30 – 14:00                      Lunch

*SECOND MODULE International Jurisdiction*

14:00 – 15:00 *International Trends in Military Law and Military Jurisdiction*

Speakers:

Professor Eugene Fidell

Yale University, USA

Lieutenant-Colonel Stephen Strickey

Military Legal Service, Canada

Moderator:

Major General Michael Conway LL.M.

Director General, Army Legal Services, United Kingdom

15:00 – 15:45 *Transitional Justice – a Contribution from the Brazilian General Military Prosecutor Office*

Speaker:

Dr. Marcelo Wietzel

General Prosecutor, Military Justice, of the Republic of Brazil

Moderator:

Professor Dr. Carlos Andrés Uribe Piedrahita (PhD)

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

15:45 – 16:15 Coffee Break

16:15 – 17.00 Structure and Particularities of the Brazilian Military Justice System

Speaker:

General Luis Carlos Mattos

Judge, Superior Tribunal Militar de Brasil

Moderator:

Dr. Juan Carlos Novoa Buendía

Deputy Prosecutor of the Disciplinary Board

17:00 – 17 :45 Specialized Principles of Military Justice

Speaker:

Cr. Camilo Andrés Suarez Aldana

Magistrado Tribunal Superior Militar de Colombia

Moderator:

Dr. Jesús María Carrillo Ballasteros

Former President, Council of State, Republic of Colombia

Closing

Free evening

**Friday 21 November 2014**

08:00 – 09:00

*Armed Forces in Modern Times*

Legal Framework in the Mexican Army and Air Force, in support of Domestic Security

Speaker:

Brigadier General Professor Elejandro Ramos Flórez  
Military Legal Services, México

Moderator:

Guillermo Rivera Florez  
High Presidential Counselor for Human Rights, Republic of Colombia

09:00 – 10:00

State Constitutional Law, Citizenship and the Armed Forces

Speaker:

Professor Dr. Javier Rincon Salcedo  
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Moderator:

Mr Ludwig Van Der Veken LL.M.

Secretary-General of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

10:00 – 10.30

Coffee Break

10:30 – 11:30

*The Voice of the Victims*

Speaker:

Cr. Adalberto Ernesto García Rivera  
National Army of the Republic of El Salvador

Moderator:

General Juan Pablo Ramos Espinosa  
President, Military Police Jurisdiction of the Republic of Peru

11:30 – 12:30

*Harmonization of Criminal Law and International Humanitarian Law*

Speaker:

Dr. Ricardo Forero Muñoz  
Legal Advisor, Ministry of Defence, Republic of Colombia

Moderator :

Dr. Misael Fernando Rodríguez Castellanos  
Director, National Prosecutor's Office, specialized in Human Rights and IHL

- 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:00 *Social Security of the Armed Forces: an Economic and Legal Analysis*
- Speaker:  
Professor Dr. Fernando Castillo  
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
- Moderator :  
Dr. Gerardo Arenas Monsalve  
Judge, Council of State, Section II
- 15:00 – 16:00 Geneva Conventions for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and the Sick in Armed Forces in the Field
- Speaker : Dr. Julián Sánchez Esteban  
Profesor, Universidad de Salamanca, España
- Moderator :  
Professor Dr. Vanessa Suelst Cock  
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
- 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee Break
- 16:30 – 17:30 Closing Words
- Major General Gustavo Rincón Rivera  
Secretary-General of the Conference of American Armies
- Brigadier General Jan Peter Spijk LL.M. MA  
President of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
- Judge Dr. Elisabeth Guimãres Teixeira Rocha  
The Honorable President of the Tribunal Superior Militar de Brasil
- 17.30 – 18.00 Presentation of Certificates
- 20:00 – 23:00 Farewell Dinner
- [Saturday, 22 November 2014](#)**
- 09:00 – 16:00 Social-Cultural Excursion with Networking Opportunities
- 18:00 - ... Departure of Participants