



JAMES P. LARUSCH

TRANSPORTATION
PLANNERS
AND ENGINEERS

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

More than 30 years of legal, management, and leadership experience including military and executive branch service and management of a DC-based nonprofit association. Areas of expertise include federal rulemaking, corporate compliance, litigation, public transportation, organizational and project management, and technical research.

EXPERIENCE

RAUL V. BRAVO + ASSOCIATES, INC. 2016 – PRESENT
RESTON, VA – USA

Mr. LaRusch is a subject matter expert (SME) in the areas of federal rulemaking, corporate compliance, litigation, public transportation, organizational and project management, and technical research.

AMERICAN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION (APTA) 2005 – 2016
WASHINGTON, DC

Chief Counsel and Vice President-Corporate Affairs – Served as in-house counsel and resource for more than 1,500 member transit agencies, consultants, and companies. Managed the Association's regulatory advocacy efforts, facilitating consensus across APTA's diverse membership, drafting, and promoting the collective positions on federal regulations. Provided counsel to APTA staff and members on such transit-related issues as procurement, grants management, employment, asset management, civil rights, and intellectual property. As corporate affairs vice president, managed APTA's Board of Directors, Executive Committee, and nominating process (including annual elections) and oversaw APTA's information technology and logistics support staff

U.S. DOT/FTA 2001 – 2005
WASHINGTON, DC

Attorney/Advisor – In Chief Counsel's office, served as primary attorney for direct and third party contracting issues, including overall management of the Administration's third party contracting effort for more than one year in the absence of the director. Principal author of the agency's third party contracting guidance to grantees. Advised the Administration's research and development staff and managed a multi-million-dollar program in that office.

US ARMY MILITARY DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 1999 – 2001
FORT MEADE, MD

Deputy Staff Judge Advocate – Supervised, trained, and managed a 60-person legal office including 17 attorneys. Oversaw operations to accomplish a diverse legal mission encompassing military and federal criminal law enforcement, administrative law, claims, and legal assistance. Additionally, served as a Special Assistant US Attorney.

US ARMY COMBINED ARMS SUPPORT COMMAND 1996 – 1998
FORT LEE, VA

Liaison Officer – Served as a combat developments officer, representing the Army Judge Advocate General's Corps. Acted as the focal point for integrating legal assets into the Army's doctrine, training, leadership, organizational, and material developments in designing the future force. Represented the Corps in Army and DoD projects. Wrote and spoke extensively on the legal and practical implications of deploying contractors on the battlefield.

US ARMY FORCES COMMAND
FORT DEVENS, MA

1994 – 1996

Chief of Litigation and Staff Judge Advocate – Initially supervised all criminal and civil litigation arising within Fort Devens, then assumed leadership of the installation legal office (staffed by seven attorneys). Conducted felony and misdemeanor trials in US District Court. Advised command and staff on all legal issues, with an emphasis on such base closure topics as environmental compliance, federal labor relations, contract law, and fiscal law. Also served as an adjunct faculty member at Western New England College, teaching in the Master of Criminal Justice program.

US ARMY TRAINING AND DOCTRINE COMMAND
FORT LEONARD WOOD, MO

1991 – 1994

Administrative Law Attorney and Chief of Administrative Law, Fort Leonard Wood, MO (1991 – 1994) – Served as an administrative law attorney for one year, then appointed branch chief. Supervised a five attorney staff, advising and representing the command in contract, labor, fiscal, and environmental law matters. As a military magistrate, presided over proceedings akin to bail hearings, ruled on requests for search authorizations, and sat as a Summary Court-Martial. Also served as an adjunct faculty member at Columbia College.

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

- LL.M, Military Law, Commandant's List. The Judge Advocate General's School, Charlottesville, VA. Served as class leader, overseeing the activities of more than 40 senior attorneys from every US military service.
- J.D., magna cum laude. Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC.
- B.S., Criminal Justice, summa cum laude. Buffalo State College, Buffalo, NY.

SKILLS

- Leadership and management
- Public Contracting
- Training
- Public Speaking
- Writing
- Project/Program Coordination