Colonel Thomas David Cook

On October 20, 2014, Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel appointed Colonel Thomas Cook, JA, U.S. Army, to the U.S. Court of Military Commission Review (USCMCR). He was sworn as a USCMCR military appellate judge on October 24, 2014. Colonel Cook assumed his current duties as a Senior Judge with the U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals in July 2012. He was appointed as an Associate Judge with the United States Army Court of Criminal Appeals in June 2011.

His prior assignments include: Associate Professor, Industrial College of the Armed Forces; Staff Judge Advocate, 3rd Army/US Army Central; Chief Plans Officer, Personnel, Plans, and Training Office, Officer of The Judge Advocate General; Staff Judge Advocate, 2nd Infantry Division; Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, XVIIIth Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, NC; Assistant Executive Officer, US Army Legal Services Agency; Officer in Charge, Wiesbaden Legal Center, Wiesbaden, Germany; Litigation Attorney and Compliance Attorney, Environmental Law Division, US Army Legal Services Agency; Labor Counselor and Administrative Law Attorney, Fort Lee, VA; Trial Defense Counsel and Trial Counsel, XVIIIth Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, NC.

Colonel Cook is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Army Court of Criminal Appeals, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and the New Jersey Supreme Court. He is a graduate of the US Army War College (2008), the US Army Command and General Staff College (2002), the 46th Judge Advocate Officer Graduate Course (LL.M.-1998), the Combined Arms and Services Staff School (1994), Airborne School (1989) and the 118th Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course (1989). His civilian education includes Rutgers (Camden) School of Law (JD-1988) and Dickinson College (BA-1985).

COL Cook's awards include the: Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (with seven Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, and Overseas Ribbon. He is also authorized to wear the Army Staff Identification Badge and Parachutist Badge.