

## MARCUS D. ELLIS, JR.

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Presenting:

### ***Drug Courts and their Interaction with Diversion Programs***

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Born at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. (Father was career Military Officer) Married to the former Margretha Anne Otto of Fremont, Ohio; they have three grown children and five grandchildren.

Member of the Carthage United Methodist Church; Church choir member; Chairman of the Long-Range Planning Committee, numerous other church involvements..

Civilian Education: East Central Community College; University of Mississippi (Computer Sciences; McComb College, Michigan (Computer Sciences – System Design); University of Maryland, Maryland (Business Administration); University of Heidelberg (Germany) (International Relations).

Military Education: Counterintelligence Technician (Special Agent); Special Area Intelligence; Clandestine and Covert Operations; Military Law and Legal Operations; Prosecution of Military Crimes; Central Intelligence Agency, and numerous others.

Teaching Experience: US Army Intelligence Center and School (Counterintelligence and Special Operations); FBI Academy (Guest Instructor); US Army Law Center and School – Guest Instructor; Forces Command Intelligence Training Detachment (Intelligence Operations and Collection), East Central Community College (Workforce Development).

26 Years US Army Active Duty: retired 1995 as Senior Counterintelligence Warrant Officer, (Chief Warrant Officer 4); Numerous Special Forces/Special Operations assignments in Vietnam, Germany, Mid-East and the USA. Military Awards include Legion of Merit, Purple Heart, 2 Meritorious Service Medals, 2 Bronze Stars with Valor Device, 3 Joint Service Commendations Medals, and numerous others.

Since “Retirement” from US Military: Developed the Eighth Judicial District Drug Court, (First Certified Drug Court in Mississippi), DUI Court and Probation Violator Court, Developed Leake County Juvenile Drug Court; Developed Misdemeanor and Veterans Court Component for Eighth Judicial District Drug Court.

Developed and operate the only Anti-Drunk-Driving program in Mississippi whereby the student actually experiences driving (under controlled circumstances) while impaired (using the “Fatal Vision” goggles).

Community Service: State of Mississippi, Supreme Court Drug Court Advisory Board  
Vice-President, Leake County Development Association  
National Association of Drug Court Professionals  
Mississippi Association of Drug Court Professionals  
National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators  
Life Member, Phi Theta Kappa (International Scholastic Honor Society)  
Master Mason, and Sir Knight of Knights Templar  
Life Member, Disabled American Veterans  
Life Member, Purple Heart Association