Committee Chair Michele Pearce convened the meeting at 0830. Ms. Pearce welcomed committee members and advisors to the meeting.

**Minutes**
A motion to approve the minutes of the 2015 Midyear Meeting was made and seconded. The Committee approved the minutes.

**Select FY14 and FY15 NDAA Military Justice Changes & the Impact on Practice**
Colonel Kate Oler, Chief, Government Trial & Appellate Counsel Division, U.S. Air Force, presented an overview the five main areas of Military Justice changes, the new Article 32, Good Military Character, depositions, MRE 513-constitutionally required, and Victims Rights in Sentencing. A copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes.

**Military Justice Review Group**
Andrew Effron presented an overview of the Military Justice Review Group. A copy of the presentation outlining the process is attached to the minutes.

**SCAFL Updates**
Mr. Maizel reported on February 20, 2015, that he and committee members Michele Pearce and Lynn Hecht Schafran met with members of the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, members of the staff of the House Armed Services Committee and representatives of the Judge Advocate Generals of the military services. A topic of discussion was the Special Victim’s Counsel programs throughout the military services.

There was discussion about a Committee meeting in Washington, DC, sponsoring a panel on Military Retaliation this fall.

**Board of Governors Liaison**
Alan Van Etten incoming ABA Board of Governors Liaison addressed the committee and stated to keep him informed on Committee activities and that he is able to assist if needed.

**YLD Liaison**
Joe Ahers will be the YLD Liaison for the coming ABA year 2015-2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 1130.

Those in attendance were:

**Committee Members**
Michele Pearce
Samuel R. Maizel
Lynn Hecht Schafran
Michelle Raven
Robert E. Reed
Marc Warren

**Special Advisor to the Committee**
John Altenburg
ABA Staff Director
Susan Koz

Advisors and Guests
Capt. Joe Ahers, USAF
Gary Anderson
Capt Harlye Carlton, USMC
RADM Jim Crawford, USN
LTG Flora Darpino, USA
Andrew Effron, Military Justice Review Group, DoD
LT Jessica Ford, USN
Ken Goldsmith, ABA/Gov’t Affairs
LCDR Jeffrey Greenwood, USCG
CPT Sarah Nealen, USA
Col Kate Oler, USAF
LT Lars Okmark, USCG
Col Bill Pigott, USMC
Steve Poulin, USCG
LT Sean Pribyl, USCG
Scott Stucky, USCAAF
Alan Van Etten, incoming Board of Governors Liaison
Col Rebecca Vernon, USAF