

# Robert B. French

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## Licenses

State Bar of Texas, Bar number: 24078519  
Series 7 Securities License  
Series 66 Securities License

## Education

**University of Houston School of Law**, Houston, TX  
*LL.M. in Taxation*, May 2015

**Texas Tech University School of Law**, Lubbock, TX  
*Juris Doctor*, May 2011

**Texas Tech University Rawls College of Business**, Lubbock, TX  
*Master of Business Administration*, May 2011

**University of North Texas**, Denton, TX  
*Bachelor of Arts in International Studies*, May 2007

**U.S. Army Counter Intelligence School**, Ft. Huachuca, AZ  
Oct 2004

## Employment History

**U.S. Air Force, Judge Advocate Corp (Reserves)**, August 2016 to Present  
*Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Military version of General Counsel/Attorney)*

- Instructor for United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Anti-Money Laundering program taught to Dept of Defense, FBI, CIA, DHS, and other government entities.
- Prosecutor for General Court Martial cases involving Airmen who have violated the Uniformed Code of Military Justice.
- Responsible for the provision of full-spectrum legal advice and services to the Commander of the 7th Bomber Wing, Dyess Air Force Base, TX.

**Cornerstone Wealth Management at Northwestern Mutual**, Addison, TX, September 2015 to Present  
*Business / Estate Planning Attorney & Financial Advisor*

- ERISA experience in the auditing of Employee Retirement plans. These include 401k, 403b, Complex Annuities, IRAs, and Nonqualified Plans.
- Executed complex legal/finance strategies with a focus on Business, Estate, and Asset Protection Planning.
- Created and implemented Deferred Compensation, Phantom Stock, Family Limited Partnerships, Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts and more.
- Implemented Tax Bracket Management and Intergenerational Wealth Transfer Strategies that have cut client's income and estate taxes by more than 80%.

**Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)**, via BAE Systems, Washington D.C. / U.S. Embassy Kabul, Afghanistan, June 2012 to May 2014

*Senior Finance & Intelligence Manager embedded with the Afghanistan Threat Finance Cell*

- Led the financial arm of the U.S. Commander in Afghanistan Gen. Dunford's task force with the purpose of identifying and dismantling the financial infrastructure of the most dangerous international terrorist organization within the Afghanistan-Pakistan region.
- Developed evidentiary packets with Department of Treasury Office of Foreign Assets Control investigators and FinCEN analysts to designate individuals and companies associated with money laundering and terrorist financing.
- Key finance subject matter expert and coordination lead with FBI and Department of Justice Anti Money Laundering Unit in New York concerning international illicit finance cases in Afghanistan and Pakistan.
- Consulting/Briefing expertise to high level executives/clients. Examples include the Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, Sen. Levin, and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- Contributed analysis/feedback through the Department of Treasury to the President's Daily Intelligence Brief concerning important global intelligence issues in Afghanistan.
- Lead Intelligence Manager over ATFC intelligence analysts conducting targeting operations.

**Purple Land Management**, Fort Worth, TX, August 2011 to April 2012

*Attorney, Oil and Gas*

- Analyzed and cured defects in contract clauses, definitions, conveyances, and party identifiers.
- Performed document review.
- Developed and researched chains of title in the Barnett Shale for Chesapeake Energy.

**Support to 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division**, Cambridge Communications, Bagram Airbase, Afghanistan, December 2007 to April 2008

*Finance & Counter Narcotics Analyst*

- Managed analytic team for 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division targeting illicit finances funding terrorism.

**U.S. Army**, U.S. Embassy, Baghdad, Iraq, Active duty, January 2005 to December 2005, Reserves, 2003 to 2011  
*Counter Intelligence Agent*

- Lead Counter Intelligence asset to State Department's Hostage Working Group, assigned to the mission of rescuing friendly hostages from captivity. Helped organize, and coordinate search and rescue operations under extremely time sensitive/high stress situations
- Maintained and Screened intelligence files, documents and databases
- Conducted counterespionage investigations and operations
- Processed intelligence and counterintelligence evidence
- Highest intelligence report producing team in Iraq during summer 2005.
- Conducted entire spectrum of Human Intelligence operations from finding and developing sources, to producing intelligence and targeting packages, to capturing and interrogating high value targets
- Conducted Force Protection and Risk assessments for Military personnel in country
- Briefed incoming civilians on current threat situations and risk mitigation techniques
- Conducted liaisons with foreign agencies, including working across cross cultural barriers with the Iraqi Ministry of Interior, the Italian Embassy and other Multinational Forces

#### **Military Awards and Decorations**

- Army Commendation Medal
- Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
- Army Meritorious Unit Commendation