

# POLICY BY OTHER MEANS: A REVIEW OF DOD'S LAW OF WAR MANUAL

## Distinguished Panelists:



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Prior to working as a civilian attorney for the U.S. Department of Defense, he served as a judge advocate and an engineer officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. His formal education includes a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Villanova University, a Juris Doctor (summa cum laude) from George Mason University School of Law, and a Master of Laws in Military Law (honors) from the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School.



**Dr. Nicholas Rostow** is a University Professor at the National Defense University, specializing in international and national security law and affairs and U.S. government and international decision-making in foreign and national security policy. In addition, he is a Senior Research Scholar at the Yale Law School. He served as Senior Director of the Center for Strategic Research, Institute for National Security Studies at the University, 2011-15.

Prior to joining NDU in September 2010, Professor Rostow served for more than 4 years as University Counsel and Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs and tenured full professor at the State University of New York. His public service positions include: General Counsel and Senior Policy Adviser to the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, 2001-05; Charles H. Stockton Chair in International Law, U.S. Naval War College, 2001; Staff Director, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, 1999-2000;

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Professor Rostow has taught at the University of Tulsa College of Law and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy as well as the Naval War College. He earned his B.A., summa cum laude, from Yale in 1972, and his Ph.D. in history and J.D., also from Yale. His publications are in the fields of diplomatic history, international law, and issues of U.S. national security and foreign policy.

Professor Rostow is married to the former Heyden White. They have two children.



**Tom Bowman** is a NPR National Desk reporter covering the Pentagon. In his current role, Bowman has traveled to Iraq and Afghanistan often for month-long visits and embedded with U.S. Marines and soldiers.

Before coming to NPR in April 2006, Bowman spent nine years as a Pentagon reporter at The Baltimore Sun. Altogether he was at The Sun for nearly two decades, covering the Maryland Statehouse, the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Naval Academy, and the National Security Agency (NSA). His coverage of racial and gender discrimination at NSA led to a Pentagon investigation in 1994.

Initially Bowman imagined his career path would take him into academia as a history, government, or journalism professor. During college Bowman worked as a stringer at The Patriot Ledger in Quincy, Mass. He also worked for the Daily Transcript in Dedham, Mass., and then as a reporter at States News Service, writing for the Miami Herald and the Anniston (Ala.) Star.

Bowman is a co-winner of a 2006 National Headliners' Award for stories on the lack of advanced tourniquets for U.S. troops in Iraq. In 2010, he received an Edward R. Murrow Award for his coverage of a Taliban roadside bomb attack on an Army unit.

Bowman earned a Bachelor of Arts in history from St. Michael's College in Winooski, Vermont, and a master's degree in American Studies from Boston College.