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Following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, Dave served on active duty in the U.S. Army for three years as a JAG officer in the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), including an 11-month tour to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. His military awards include the Bronze Star Medal and the Iraq Campaign Medal. Dave received his BS from Indiana University and his JD from Indiana University's Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

Mr. Hanke has not previously testified before the Commission.