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Brigadier General Rich Gross (US Army, retired) served over 30 years in the U.S. Army as an infantry officer and judge advocate. In the latter part of his career, he was the principal legal advisor to several senior three and four-star military commanders at the Joint Special Operations Command; US Forces-Afghanistan and the NATO International Security Assistance Force (ISAF); and US Central Command. He has multiple combat deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan.

Brigadier General Gross served his final four years in the military as the Legal Counsel to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In that role, in addition to advising the Chairman and the Joint Chiefs of Staff, he was the senior military member of the interagency lawyers' group, which advised the National Security Council and cabinet-level officials on critical national security law issues. He also participated in several Congressional hearings and briefings on national security and military issues.

Brigadier General Gross is currently a Partner at the Law Firm of FH+H PLLC in Tyson's Corner, VA. In addition, he is a senior mentor for the Thayer Leader Development Group at West Point, NY and a strategic advisor to The Brief Lab in Chicago, IL. He is a Distinguished Fellow at the University of Virginia Law School's Center for National Security Law and a Senior Fellow at Columbia Law School's Human Rights Institute and the Roger Hertog Program on Law and National Security.

Brigadier General Gross currently serves on three nonprofit boards: The Independence Fund, which provides tracked wheelchairs for severely wounded veterans plus education and support to their caregivers; Military Community Youth Ministries, which serves the children of military service members; and the After the Impact Fund, which provides support to veterans and professional athletes dealing with traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder.

Brigadier General Gross is a 1985 graduate of the US Military Academy at West Point, a 1993 graduate of the University of Virginia Law School, a 1998 graduate of the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School, and a 2009 graduate of the US Army War College. He and his wife Vickie have been married for 28 years and have three adult sons, Benjamin, Joshua, and Nathaniel.