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DISA INSTRUCTION 100-50-10*

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POLICIES

Release of Official Information in Litigation and Testimony by DoD Personnel as Witnesses

1. **Purpose.** This Instruction prescribes policy and assigns responsibility for the release of official information in litigation and testimony by DoD personnel as witnesses.
2. **Applicability.** This Instruction applies to DISA activities.
3. **Authority.** This Instruction is published in accordance with the authority contained in DoD Directive 5405.2, Release of Official Information in Litigation and Testimony of DoD Personnel as Witnesses, 23 July 1985.
4. **Policy.** Official information should generally be made reasonably available for use in Federal and State courts and by other governmental bodies, unless the information is classified, privileged, or otherwise protected from public disclosure.
5. **Responsibilities.**
 - 5.1 **Directors, Executives, Commanders, and Chiefs of Major Organizational Elements.** These individuals will ensure requests for release of official information or a request for an official witness in proceedings before a court are forwarded promptly to the General Counsel.
 - 5.2 **General Counsel (GC).** The GC has sole authority to grant or deny requests for release of official information in litigation or a request for the testimony of an official witness in litigation.

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