



CBI's History

In 2001, the sixth Air National Guard (ANG) Assistant to the Air Force Judge Advocate General brought his vision for training Air National Guard leaders and supervisors to life via the first ever CBI course in Savannah, GA, at the Air Dominance Center. The course was so successful, and in such high demand, that another course was held within months of the first at the very same location.

In 2002, these CBI courses went on the road; a hand-selected group of JAG officers presented four courses in four different locations throughout the country. Since its inception, well over 100 courses across the 54 ANG jurisdictions have been successfully completed. Tens of thousands of ANG leaders have been trained by the CBI cadre over the course of more than 20 years on the contemporary base issues most pressing and relevant to the ANG at the time of each course.

The course's target audience is not limited to senior leaders; all officers, including JAGs, non-commissioned officers, and other personnel in supervisory or leadership positions, are encouraged to attend. This is a course for current and future leaders. It is a two day (Friday/Saturday) course, with each day beginning at 0730 hours and ending at 1630 hours. Educational areas of emphasis include status; military discipline; ethics; standards; readiness; mental health; sexual assault; domestic operations; and leadership. These topics are covered via lecture and interactive scenarios requiring audience feedback and participation. In order to create an optimal learning environment, course attendance is generally capped at 200 attendees.

The cadre is comprised of elite members of the ANG JAG Corps selected by the Assistant to the Air Force Judge Advocate General, a major general and the top JAG in the ANG JAG Corps. Each cadre member rigorously prepares stimulating, entertaining briefings with the most current law, information, and topics facing ANG leaders today. The cadre represent several statuses and include traditional guardsmen, technicians and AGRs. They possess an amazing energy, dedication, and desire to ensure ANG leaders have the tools and information they need to succeed in a rapidly changing environment. They strive, one course at a time, to make the ANG a more formidable force.