



# FLAG DAY 2006

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY NINTH ANNIVERSARY

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## U.S. Army 231<sup>st</sup> Birthday

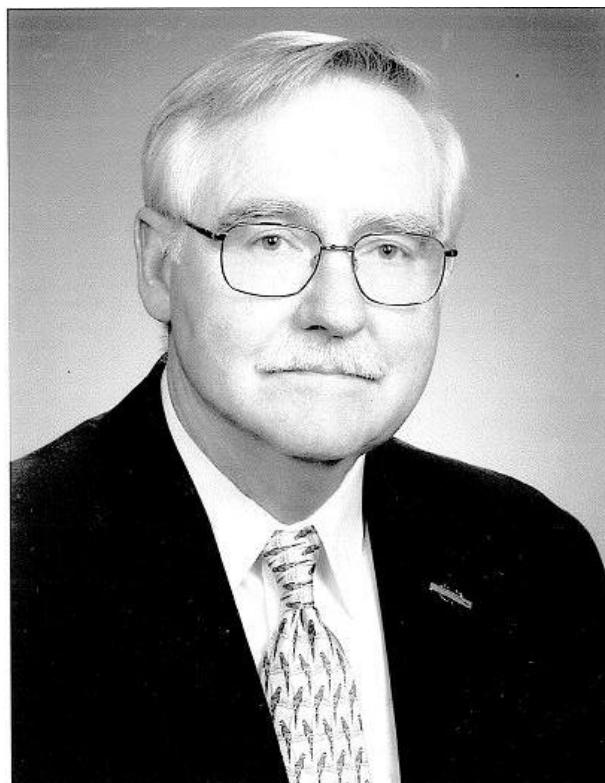
Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006 12:00 NOON  
Cleveland Public Square - Southwest Quadrant  
(Cleveland City Hall if inclement weather)

<b>Introductions</b>	R. Ray Saikus, Secretary-Treasurer
<b>Master of Ceremonies</b>	Sean Ennis, Past-President
* <b>Posting of Colors</b>	U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion - Cleveland
* <b>National Anthem</b>	Rocco Scotti
* <b>Invocation</b>	Chaplain, Reverend George Hankins
<b>Greetings</b>	Bohdan Samokyszyn, President
<b>Our Flag Remembered</b>	Jim Quisenberry, Past-President
<b>Guest Speaker</b>	Patrick M. McLaughlin, Attorney, Vietnam Veteran, previous United States Attorney - Northern District of Ohio, bio on back
<b>America The Beautiful</b>	Jim Pierce
<b>Flag Day Greetings</b>	Mayor Frank Jackson, City of Cleveland Cuyahoga County Commissioners State of Ohio
<b>U.S. Army 231<sup>st</sup> Birthday Salute</b>	Proclamations from the Cities of Cleveland, Euclid, Lakewood, Maple Heights, Mentor, North Olmsted, and Parma
<b>Acceptance of Proclamations</b>	Lieutenant Colonel Mark A. Rice – Commanding Officer of the U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion in Cleveland
* <b>Blessing of American Flags</b>	Chaplain, Reverend George Hankins
<b>God Bless America</b>	Jim Pierce, Rocco Scotti and audience
* <b>Retiring of Colors</b>	
* AUDIENCE PLEASE STAND	

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**PATRICK M. McLAUGHLIN**

## **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY**

This year's speaker is PATRICK M. McLAUGHLIN. McLaughlin is the managing partner of the Cleveland law firm of McLaughlin & McCaffrey, LLP. He served previously as the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio during the Reagan administration (1984-88), and as an Assistant U. S. Attorney (1978-84). McLaughlin is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He serves as President of the Judge Anthony J. Celebrezze Inn of Court.

McLaughlin volunteered for the draft in 1966 and served with the U.S. Army in Vietnam from January 1967 to January 1968. He was assigned as a combat infantryman to "C" Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 18<sup>th</sup> Infantry, First Infantry Division ("The Big Red One"). He served as a point man, team leader, squad leader, platoon sergeant, and acting platoon leader during his 12 months in the field. He attained the rank of staff sergeant (E-6).

In addition to the combat infantryman's badge (CIB), McLaughlin was awarded a number of decorations including the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Army Commendation, and Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Silver and Bronze Stars.

He has been inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame (class of 2003), and the Ohio Military Hall of Fame for Valor (class of 2004).

McLaughlin is President of the Greater Cleveland Veterans Memorial, Inc. ("GCVM"); and holds membership in the Society of the First Infantry Division; the 18<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Association; the American Legion; and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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