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Lt. Col. Arthur Rizer (Ret.) began his career in 1994 as a private in the U.S. Army. He subsequently served as an armor officer and later became a commander in the military police. He retired from service as a lieutenant colonel in the West Virginia National Guard.

Rizer began his civilian law enforcement career in 2000 as an officer with the Cheney Police Department in Washington. In 2005, he became a trial attorney with the U.S. Justice Department, serving as a federal prosecutor with the Criminal Division's Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Section, where he targeted drug cartel leaders. He later worked as a special assistant U.S. attorney for the Southern District of California where he focused on immigration-related litigation.

Rizer left the Department of Justice in 2014. He currently serves as Director of Criminal Justice and Civil Liberties Policy for the R Street Institute. He has been the recipient of the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service, and Iraq Campaign medals. The Justice Department recognized him with performance awards in 2008, 2010, 2011 and granted him a Leadership Excellence and Achievement Program fellowship in 2012. He holds a B.A. from Pacific Lutheran University, a J.D. from Gonzaga University Law School, a M.L. from Georgetown University Law Center, and a M.M.A.S. from the U.S. Marine Corps' Command Staff College. He's taught law at George Mason University, Georgetown Law Center, and the West Virginia School of Law. He's authored several books and has been published in numerous media outlets including N.B.C. News, the Los Angeles Times, and the Chicago Tribune.

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