



Michael J Hoblock
United States Marine Corps
1967-1971

Michael J. Hoblock, Jr. was born in 1942. He is a graduate of LaSalle Institute in Troy, Siena College and Albany Law School. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps while in college. Upon graduation from Law School in 1967 he entered active duty. Following training at Officer School, Quantico, Virginia and Naval Justice School at Newport, Rhode Island, he was promoted to the rank of Captain and was sent to Vietnam. He served 19 months in Vietnam first as a Judge Advocate and Military Judge, then as a Company Commander of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Reaction Company. For his service he was awarded a Presidential Unit Citation, a Meritorious Unit Citation, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Combat Action Ribbon and Naval Achievement medal with combat "V". His active duty concluded with a tour of duty as Assistant Staff Judge Advocate and Military Judge at Force Troops Atlantic, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

After his service he returned home to the Town of Colonie and began the practice of law. In 1977 he decided to enter public service. He was first elected as a member of the New York State Assembly and served 6 years. In 1984 he left the New York State Assembly to serve as a member of the Town of Colonie Town Board and did so until 1991 when he was then elected Albany County Executive. In 1994 he was elected to the New York State Senate. In 1997 following one term in the New York State Senate. He was appointed Chairman of the New York Racing and Wagering Board where he served until 2008.

Mike is a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Marine Corps League and the Tri County Vietnam Veterans. Mike resides with his wife Karen in the Town of Halfmoon, New York.