



Dr. Tom Mullikin

DR. TOM MULLIKIN is a senior environmental attorney, author, professor and award-winning documentarian whose environmental law practice and academic research has taken him to every continent on earth where he has represented numerous multinational corporate clients and the United Nations (UN). In recognition for his global environmental work, he has been inducted as a Fellow in the Explorers Club (New York), a Fellow in the Royal Geographical Society (London) and he has been engaged as a “National Geographic Expert” with the National Geographic Society. Mullikin has led environmental expeditions to every continent delivering lectures on environmental issues and concerns, worldwide. He has logged certified SCUBA dives in every ocean on Earth and has summited more than 20 mountains including peaks on every continent.

Mullikin was also recognized by the Fijian Permanent Secretary of Lands and Mineral Resources for leading a team of experts on behalf of the UNDPABA (United Nations Development Programme – American Bar Association) and serving as a liaison to the Fijian government in drafting expansive comments and recommendations for legislation aimed at protecting the Pacific Island nation’s rich mineral resources. “Tom Mullikin has a huge heart for Fiji, the Pacific Rim nations, and the world. What Mullikin and his international team has done is strengthening the foundation of Fiji’s economy so that we as a nation may thrive in the global marketplace, while protecting both the Fijian people and our rich natural resources for many years to come.” –Tevita Boseiwaqa, Fijian Permanent Secretary of Lands and Mineral Resources. With the United Nations, Mullikin has also assisted in drafting environmental laws for the Republic of Moldova, drafted recommendations for Sierra Leone’s proposed Constitution and best practices for the Maldives.

Major General Mullikin (Ret.) is a decorated retired senior military officer having served as Special Assistant to Chief Prosecutor of Military Commissions, overseeing the trial of Khalid Sheik Mohammed and the four 9/11 co-defendants; and as an International Legal Officer and Trial Counsel with the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps. His qualification badges also include, among others, United States Army Master Fitness Trainer, military parachutist badges (jump wings) from the Kingdom of Laos and the nations of Serbia, Croatia, Luxembourg, Switzerland, and Germany. An accomplished martial artist, Mullikin has been inducted into the International Martial Arts Hall of Fame (London); United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame and the S.C. Black Belt Hall of Fame (SCBBHOF).

Mullikin is the founding chair of the gubernatorially established S.C. Floodwater Commission. He is a Professor of Practice at the University of South Carolina (School of Law and Hospitality and Tourism where he teaches Ecotourism); Research Professor at Coastal Carolina University (School of Coastal Environment) and a Visiting Professor at the Universidad San Francisco de Quito - Galapagos campus. He serves as a member of the S.C. Energy Advisory Council; co-chair, International Environmental Law Committee of the American Bar Association; membership officer, LAWASIA (the Law Association for Asia and the Pacific) Environmental Law Committee; director of the Mullikin Institute for Environmental Law and Policy at Coastal Carolina University; chairman of Global Eco Adventures, and is director of the GAIAS (Galápagos Academic Institute for the Arts and Sciences) Foundation. [The GAIAS Foundation is a non-profit corporation with its purpose dedicated to raising awareness and support and to raise funds for research, inclusion, education, and cultural activities in Ecuador with focus on the Galapagos Islands and the Amazon Basin].

Dr. Mullikin is a recipient of the ORDER OF THE PALMETTO, South Carolina’s highest award presented by the state’s governor.