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ALBERT PIERCE TO SPEAK AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

MISSOULA--

The Practical Ethics Center at The University of Montana presents Albert Pierce, director of the Center for the Study of Professional Military Ethics at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., in two lectures Monday, Dec. 1. Both lectures are free and open to the public.

Pierce will discuss "Military Strategy and Ethics of International Conflict" from 12:10 to 1 p.m. in Gallagher Business Building Room L13. The talk is part of "PEC Presents," the Practical Ethics Center's biweekly seminar series.

Then Pierce will speak on the subject of terrorism that evening in a Community-University Ethics Forum titled "War in the 21st Century: How We Can Deal with Those Ready to Die for a Cause." The talk will take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Gallagher Business Building Room 106.

Additional speakers at the forum are Richard Drake, UM history professor and Deni Elliot, director of the Practical Ethics Center. Mark Hanson, associate director of the Practical Ethics Center, will mediate.

Pierce was appointed as the first director for the Study of Professional Military Ethics at the U.S. Naval Academy in summer 1998. He spent the previous 13 years as a professor of military strategy at the National War College in Washington, D.C., where he taught courses in

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military strategy, the use of military force, civil-military relations, ethics, national security policy and national security policymaking. He also served as a defense correspondent on NBC and as the deputy director of the Strategic Concepts Development Center. In addition, Pierce wrote speeches and congressional testimony as assistant to the Secretary of Defense. Pierce served as visiting professional lecturer at George Washington University, visiting lecturer at The University of Virginia and adjunct professor at The University of California, Los Angeles' Center for American Politics and Public Policy Quarter in Washington program.

Pierce graduated in politics from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., and earned master's and doctorate degrees in political science from Tufts University in Medford, Mass.

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