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Ansbach Justice

Highlighted Cases

A look at some prominent military justice cases from USAG-Ansbach:



"That won't fly..."

Facts: According to AR 600-105 guidance, a 12th CAB aviator failed to remain professionally qualified, lacked proficiency in flying duties, failed to maintain evaluation requirements, and failed to maintain medical certification.

Results: The aviator underwent a Flying Evaluation Board (FEB) where the senior aviators on the board voted to terminate his aviation service.



"Third time is NOT the charm..."

Facts: After three alcohol-related UCMJ actions, a 12th CAB SSG was found guilty of failing to obey a no-drinking order after receiving two DUIs, among other offenses of fraternization, assault, drunk and disorderly, and obstruction of justice.

Results: The SSG was reduced to SPC, lost 2 months of pay, restricted to post for 60 days, and was tasked with extra duty for 75 days through two Article 15s. He was then kicked out of the Army with a General discharge.



"Revenge Porn is a Crime!"

Facts: A 5-4 ADAR Soldier, without the consent, wrongfully and without his partner's knowledge distributed their recorded sexual acts. In addition, the Soldier willfully disobeyed commissioned officer on multiple occasions, and was derelict in his duties.

Results: The SPC received an Article 15 and was demoted to PVT (E-1), lost pay, received 45 days extra duty, and separated from the Army with an Other-than-Honorable (OTH) discharge.

Traffic Violations

DUIs

7

Speeding

36

Failure to Register

18

Accidents

54

Abandoned Vehicles

3

Help Wanted

CID is seeking any information into the disappearance of SSG Jonathan Lane.

Please contact 0162-297-2430 with any information. Award of \$5,000.

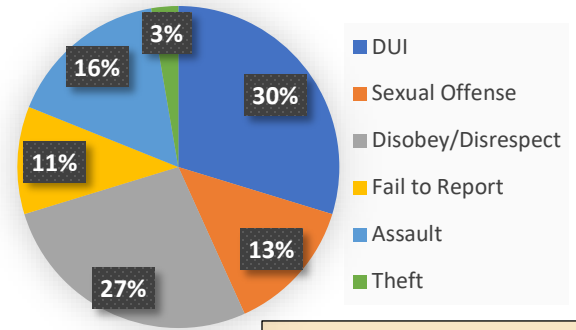
Military Justice Roll-Up:

Article 15s: 17

Separations: 11

GOMORs: 12

Pending Courts-Martial: 1



ALL SOLDIERS ARE PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY

Terms to Know:

Expedited Victim Transfer: Victims who file an unrestricted report for sexual assault may be eligible for a temporary or permanent expedited transfer to another unit. The transfer is intended to provide a victim with a new and comfortable setting, not to address an immediate safety concern. To request a transfer, notify your commander.

Transitional Compensation: Support payments available for victims of abuse. Payments can vary based on the number of dependents requiring support and may be available for 12-36 months. To apply for support, contact the local Victim Witness Liaison.

Reprisal: A form of retaliation that includes but is not limited to taking an unfavorable personnel action or withholding a favorable personnel action against a Soldier or Family member, for filing a formal complaint. Threats of the same may also be considered reprisal.

Military Protective Order: MPOs are available following an unrestricted report and a victim safety concern. The order is issued by the offender's commander and can limit the contact with the victim.

Closing Argument:

Courts-martial and separations boards often hinge on the victim's testimony. Although not strictly required, prosecutors will rarely be able to reach the high "beyond a reasonable doubt" standard required in courts-martial involving a crime victim without the victim's testimony.

Even separation boards, which have a lower "preponderance of the evidence" standard, are difficult without the victim's testimony unless there are credible eyewitnesses or "outcry witnesses."

When a victim does testify but for the defense, it is very difficult to secure a conviction at a court-martial or a separation recommendation at a board.

Therefore, victim cooperation during an investigation and before the commander makes a disposition decision is a key part of the military justice team's analysis of a case. It feeds directly into the commander's decision and the legal team's recommendation, and can often make or break a case.