

Phantom Justice: June 2024



Courts-Martial

On 6 June 2024, at a special court-martial convened at Fort Cavazos, TX, SGT Myonte' M. Harris, U.S. Army, was convicted by a military judge, pursuant to her pleas, of one specification of domestic violence in violation of Article 128b, UCMJ. The military judge sentenced the accused to be confined for 53 days and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge. The sentence was consistent with the terms of a plea agreement.

On 12 June 2024, at a general court-martial convened at Fort Cavazos, TX, SPC Marquel D. Alomar, U.S. Army, was convicted by a military judge, contrary his plea, of one specification of provoking speeches or gestures in violation of Article 117, UCMJ. The military judge sentenced the accused to be reduced to the grade of E-3 and to be confined for 139 days.

On 18 June 2024, at a general court-martial convened at Fort Cavazos, TX, MAJ Stephen A. Owofade, U.S. Army, was convicted by a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of three specifications of larceny and wrongful appropriation in violation of Article 121, UCMJ. The military judge sentenced the accused to be reprimanded. The sentence was consistent with the terms of a plea agreement.

On 25 June 2024, at a general court-martial convened at Fort Cavazos, TX, PVT Lawrence N. Thompson, U.S. Army, was convicted by a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of indecent recording and three specifications of indecent recording (attempts) in violation of Articles 120c and 80, UCMJ. The military judge sentenced the accused to be confined for 90 days, and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge. The sentence was consistent with the terms of a plea agreement.

CG-Level Separations

A SPC was separated under Chapter 14-12c with an OTH discharge for assault.

A PV2 was separated under Chapter 14-12c(2) with a GEN discharge for disrespect, dereliction of duty, and wrongful use of an illegal drug.

III Armored Corps Military Justice Actions:

- DWI GOMORs: 1
- Misconduct GOMORs: 6
- Article 15s: 31
- DV Administrative Separations: 1
- Administrative Separations for sex-related offenses: 0
- Courts-Martials for sex-related offenses: 1
- Total Courts-Martial: 4

NOTE: Soldiers being separated administratively may receive one of three characterizations of service: Honorable, General, or Other Than Honorable (OTH). Anything less than an Honorable discharge may result in the loss of certain benefits and negatively affect employment and educational opportunities. References to "Chapter 14-12c" are to specific provisions within Army Regulation 635-200, Active Duty Enlisted Administrative Separations, related to separation for commission of a serious offense.

NOTE: Cases involving Soldiers accused of committing sexual assault or sexual contact offenses may be disposed of through the administrative separation process for a number of reasons. For example, survivors sometimes prefer the administrative separation process over participating in a court-martial.

NOTE: Officer eliminations are approved at Human Resources Command, whereas enlisted separations are approved at the local installation.

NOTE: A Chapter 10 is an administrative separation in lieu of trial by court martial.