

The following reports the results of every Special and General Court-Martial convened within the United States Navy in December 2019. The cases are separated by the Navy Region in which they were tried.

Naval District Washington

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- None.

Navy Region Mid-Atlantic

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, IT1 Malachi Torres, USN, pursuant to a pretrial agreement, pled guilty to a novel offense of wrongfully accessing a Sailor's cellular phone to transmit nude images to his cellular phone and not guilty to possession of child pornography. On 11 December 2019, the military judge accepted the guilty plea and also returned a verdict of guilty for possession of child pornography. In total, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-5 and confinement for 4 months. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, all confinement greater than 45 days is to be disapproved.
- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, an E-3 was tried for two specifications of sexual assault. On 19 December 2019, a panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, SA Dallas D. Willis, USN, pled guilty to unauthorized absence, missing movement, and fraudulent use of a debit card. He was also tried for two specifications of wrongful use of a controlled substance. On 2 December 2019, the military judge accepted the guilty pleas and also returned a verdict of guilty for two specifications of wrongful use of a controlled substance. In total, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 135 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Groton, Connecticut, CDR William B. Swanbeck, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentlemen for engaging in an inappropriate relationship with the spouse of an enlisted

subordinate. On 4 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to a reprimand and to forfeit \$1,500 pay per month for 11 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Navy Region Southeast

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Jacksonville, Florida, AT2 Andrue L. Wright, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to wrongful use of a controlled substance, unauthorized absence, and communicating a threat. On 10 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to confinement for 3 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence. The pretrial agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Jacksonville, Florida, an E-5 was tried for assault consummated by a battery, burglary, and destruction of property. On 18 December 2019, a panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.

Navy Region Northwest

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, MT3 Lucas R. Passa, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to possession of child pornography. On 13 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 18 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial at Bremerton, Washington, MM1 Arthur B. Sanders III, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to false official statement and larceny of military property of a value of more than \$500. On 9 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-5, and confinement for 60 days. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.
- At a Special Court-Martial at Bremerton, Washington, AOC Jason D. McFarlin, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to drunk and disorderly conduct. On 12 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-6. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Navy Region Southwest

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, CS3 Michael Nuzzo III, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to aggravated assault and two specifications of assault consummated by a battery. On 10 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade to E-1, and confinement for 24 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, an E-6 was tried for wrongful use of a controlled substance. On 5 December 2019, the military judge returned a verdict of not guilty.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, EN3 Ryan K. Odom, USN, pled guilty to obtaining services under false pretenses. On 12 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-3, a fine of \$1,800, and confinement for 180 days. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement the punitive discharge is to be disapproved and all confinement greater than 90 days is to be suspended. The suspended punishment may be served if the Service Member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement. The pretrial agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, SB2 Charles V. Fazen Jr., USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to two specifications of wrongful use of a controlled substance. On 17 December 2019, consistent with the pretrial agreement, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, with the recommendation that it be suspended for 6 months and confinement for 7 days. The pretrial agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

Navy Region Hawaii

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, CTCR Matthew L. Richardson, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to two specifications of sexual abuse of a child and one specification of possession of child pornography. On 10 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 8 years. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, all confinement greater than 5 years is to be suspended. The suspended punishment may be served if the Service Member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

- At a General Court-Martial in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, IT3 Nicholus Z. Frye, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to attempted sexual abuse of a child. On 12 December 2019, consistent with the pretrial agreement, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, to forfeit all pay and allowances, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 18 months.
- At a General Court-Martial in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, BM2 Keith T. Fanelli, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to false official statement and assault consummated by a battery. On 23 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, to forfeit all pay and allowances, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 8 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Special Court-Martial

- None.

Navy Region Japan

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Yokosuka, Japan, MMNFA Sean Rickard, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to two specifications of wrongful distribution a controlled substance and one specification of wrongful introduction of a controlled substance. On 10 December 2019, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 10 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- None