

The following reports the results of Special and General Courts-Martial tried and completed within the United States Navy in November 2015. The cases are listed 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, ABEAN Warren D. Brown, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to sexual assault and wrongful use of marijuana. On 18 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, to forfeit all pay and allowances, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 86 months. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 18 months will be suspended and remitted. The suspended confinement may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Great Lakes, Illinois, IT3 Chasity M. Thomas, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to false official statements, stalking, general disorder (Article 134), and the following assimilated federal offenses: wire fraud, communicating a threat, using a telecommunications device to threaten or harass, and attempt to utilize a telecommunications device to threaten or harass. On 4 November 2015, the military judge sentenced her to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-3 and confinement for 6 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on her sentence.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, an E-6 was tried for failure to obey a lawful order and assault consummated by a battery. On 6 November 2015, the panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, CS2 Joshua W. Abshire, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to violation of a lawful general order, false official statement, sale of military property, larceny, and attempted larceny. On 18 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, to forfeit two thirds pay and allowances per month for 8 months, reduction in rank to

paygrade E-1, and confinement for 8 months. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, the forfeitures will be waived/disapproved, and the Bad Conduct Discharge is to be suspended and remitted pending administrative discharge. The suspended punitive discharge may be ordered executed and the waived/disapproved portion of the sentence may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

Navy Region Southeast

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Pensacola, Florida, HMCM Shanon Best, USN was tried for rape and obstruction of justice. On 5 November 2015, the panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to all charges and sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge and confinement for 30 years.
- At a General Court-Martial in Jacksonville, Florida, HN Joseph E. Harris, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to aggravated assault, violation of a lawful order, and fleeing the scene of an accident. On 20 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 3 years. Pursuant to the pre-trial agreement, confinement greater than 30 months is to be suspended and remitted. The suspended confinement may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Jacksonville, Florida, HN Sharon Meinders, USN was tried for false official statement. On 18 November 2015, the panel of members returned a verdict of guilty and sentenced her to a fine of \$1030 and confinement for 4 months.

Navy Region Northwest

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, ABF1 Robert E. Miller, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to sexual abuse of a child. On 2 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 15 years. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 12 years is to be suspended and remitted. The suspended confinement may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pre-trial agreement.
- At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, AD1 Mark J. Winiecki, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to rape and sexual assault of a child, child endangerment, and obstruction of justice. On 10 November 2015, the military judge

sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 25 years. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, forfeitures are to be waived/disapproved for the benefit of the family and confinement greater than 258 months (21½ years), or 246 months (20½ years) if the Accused successfully completes an offered sex offender treatment program, is to be suspended and remitted. The waived/disapproved and suspended portions of the sentence may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pre-trial agreement.

- At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, AS2 Adam Walker, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to assault upon a child under the age of 16 years. On 13 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-3, and confinement for 6 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.
- At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, CSSN Victor I. Gargurevich, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to possession of child pornography. On 13 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 4 years. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, IC1 Adam J. Ravenscraft, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to wrongful disposition and larceny of military equipment of a value more than \$500.00. On 6 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-3, and confinement for 1 year. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, OS2 Durell L. Griffith, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to making a false official statement and larceny. On 18 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 12 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, ABE1 Robert L. Theel, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to stalking, indecent viewing and recording, and assault consummated by a battery. On 30 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to confinement for 5 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

Navy Region Southwest

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, HM1 Nelson J. Mejia, USN was tried for aggravated sexual abuse of a child, abusive sexual contact with a child, and

fleeing from law enforcement. On 19 November 2015, the panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty to aggravated sexual abuse of a child and abusive sexual contact with a child, but returned a verdict of guilty for fleeing from law enforcement. The panel of members sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-5 and restriction for 60 days.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, PR1 Joseph A. Quintero, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to assault consummated by a battery and disorderly conduct (drunkenness). On 16 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to forfeit \$1,000.00 pay per month for 3 months, a fine of \$2,475.00, and confinement for 90 days. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 31 days is to be suspended and remitted. The suspended confinement may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, AN Danton A. Oliver, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to unauthorized absence, wrongfully using cocaine, alprazolam, amphetamine, oxymorphone, and marijuana, and wrongfully distributing cocaine. On 24 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to a Bad Conduct Discharge, to forfeit \$120.00 per month for 12 months, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 10 months. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 90 days is to be suspended and remitted. The suspended confinement may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

Navy Region Hawaii

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- None.

Navy Region Japan

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Yokosuka, Japan, FC1 Jonathan A. Dodd, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to possessing child pornography. On 17 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, to forfeit all pay and allowances, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 8 years. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, the Dishonorable Discharge will be commuted to a Bad Conduct Discharge, forfeitures greater than two-thirds pay per month for 12 months will be waived/disapproved, and confinement greater

than 12 months is to be suspended and remitted. The punitive discharge may be approved as adjudged, and the waived/disapproved and suspended portions of the sentence may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Yokosuka, Japan, BM2 Ahmann W. Brooks, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to a violation of a lawful general order and possession and use of a controlled substance. On 24 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-3, and confinement for 90 days. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, the Bad Conduct Discharge will be suspended and remitted pending an administrative discharge and confinement greater than 40 days is to be suspended. The punitive discharge may be approved and the suspended confinement may be served if the service member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Naples, Italy, PSC David L. Woods, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to violation of a lawful general regulation and cruelty and maltreatment of a subordinate. On 5 November 2015, the military judge sentenced him to forfeit \$2,400 per month for 2 months, reduction in rank to paygrade to E-6, and restriction for 2 months. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, the forfeitures are to be waived/disapproved for the benefit of dependents.