

The following reports the results of every Special and General Court-Martial tried within the United States Navy in September 2021. 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, GM3 Elijah S. Susong, USN, was tried for conspiracy to commit wrongful distribution of a controlled substance, conspiracy to commit wrongful introduction of a controlled substance with intent to distribute, soliciting another to wrongfully use a controlled substance, and wrongful distribution of a controlled substance. On 24 September 2021, the panel of members returned a verdict of guilty for conspiracy to commit wrongful distribution of a controlled substance, conspiracy to commit wrongful introduction of a controlled substance with intent to distribute, soliciting another to wrongfully use a controlled substance, and wrongful distribution of a controlled substance and sentenced him to forfeit all pay and allowances for 6 months, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, confinement for 6 months, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.
- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, ABHAN Sean A. Benton-Harris, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to willfully disobeying a superior commissioned officer by violating a no contact order, violating a lawful general order by storing a firearm in an enlisted barracks, and aggravated assault with a dangerous weapon upon his spouse and not guilty to aggravated assault with a dangerous weapon upon an intimate partner. On 30 September 2021, the panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty of aggravated assault with a dangerous weapon upon an intimate partner and the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, confinement for 12 months, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, HTFA David Gordon Jr., USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to violation of a lawful general order by committing sexual harassment. On 22 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the

military judge sentenced him to forfeit \$1,100 per month for 5 months, reduction in rank to E-1, confinement for 150 days, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

- At a Special Court-Martial in Great Lakes, Illinois, OSSA William E. J. Vandermark Jr., USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to wrongful possession of a controlled substance. On 23 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to forfeit \$785 per month for 3 months, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 14 days. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Great Lakes, Illinois, FN David A. Ortiz, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to wrongful possession of a controlled substance and wrongful use of a controlled substance. On 24 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to forfeit \$892 per month for 3 months, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 50 days. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Great Lakes, Illinois, SN Isabelle L. Reyna, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to wrongful use of a controlled substance, wrongful possession of a controlled substance, and wrongful introduction of a controlled substance. On 30 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced her to forfeit \$785 per month for 3 months and reduction in rank to paygrade E-1. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

Navy Region Southeast

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Jacksonville, Florida, EMN3 Conor J. De Laurell, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to possession of child pornography. On 22 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, confinement for 14 months, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.
- At a General Court-Martial in Jacksonville, Florida, an E-4 was tried for two specifications of attempted sexual abuse of a child involving indecent communications and one specification of attempted receipt of child pornography. On 29 September 2021, a panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Mayport, Florida, DC2 Charles F. Worker, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to wrongful distribution of a controlled substance. On 29 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to a reprimand and reduction in rank to paygrade E-1. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

- At a Special Court-Martial in Pensacola, Florida, Pvt Brian P. Fehrenbach, USMC, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to conspiracy to commit obstruction of justice, obstruction of justice, failure to go to appointed place of duty, and violation of a lawful order by wrongfully participating in off-base activities without a liberty buddy, failing to sign the liberty logbook, and traveling beyond the authorized liberty radius. On 30 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to confinement for 1 month and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Navy Region Northwest

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, ABE2 Paris A. Simmons, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to attempted larceny of a value of more than \$1,000. On 27 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced her to reduction in rank to paygrade E-3. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

Navy Region Southwest

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, FCA1 Nathan A. Heck, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to possession of child pornography. On 1 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-4, confinement for 12 months, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, HMCS Melissa S. Metz, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to three specifications of wrongful use of a controlled substance. On 10 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced her to reduction in rank to paygrade E-6 and confinement for 53 days. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, AD1 Robert L. Maxie, USN, was tried for two specifications of wrongful use of a controlled substance. On 15 September 2021, the military judge returned a verdict of guilty to two specifications of wrongful use of a controlled substance and sentenced him to no punishment.

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, BM1 Theodore W. Faison, Jr., was tried for four specifications of sexual assault and one specification of violation of a lawful general order by providing alcohol to a minor. On 2 September 2021, the panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to violation of a lawful general order by providing alcohol to a minor and sentenced him to forfeit \$2,000 per month for 2 months, restriction for 60 days, and hard labor for 60 days.

Special Court-Martial

- None.

Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Naples, Italy, MA2 James T. Humphrey, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to two specifications of aggravated assault with force likely to produce death or grievous bodily harm, three specifications of assault consummated by a battery, one specification of assault consummated by a battery upon an intimate partner, simple assault with an unloaded firearm, and violation of a lawful general order by committing sexual harassment. On 29 September 2021, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, confinement for 10 months, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.