



Army releases results of August courts-martial

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The Army on Friday released the results of 35 courts-martial held in August, including one case in which the accused soldier was acquitted of all charges. In those instances, the service does not release the name of the accused.

The verdicts, grouped by judicial circuit:

First Judicial Circuit (Northeast and mid-Atlantic states)

Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, Aug. 4:

Name: Pvt. Matthew A. Arnold, Jr.

Conviction: By a military judge, contrary to his plea, of one specification of making a **false official statement**.

Acquittal: One specification of **rape**, one specification of **abusive sexual contact**, one specification of **adultery** and one specification of **false swearing**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 30 days.

Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Aug. 4:

Name: Spc. Andrew J. Criswell

Conviction: By a military judge, contrary to his pleas, of one specification of making a **false official statement**, two specifications of **abusive sexual contact**, one specification of **assault consummated by a battery** and one specification of **orally communicating indecent language**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for two years, dishonorable discharge.

Fort Drum, New York, Aug. 6:

Name: Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Soria

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **willfully disobeying a superior commissioned officer**, three specifications of **violating a lawful general regulation**, one specification of **impeding an investigation** and one specification of **adultery**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 10 months, bad-conduct discharge.

Fort Campbell, Aug. 7:

Name: Pvt. Eric J. Wright

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of two specifications of **desertion**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, forfeit \$1,156 pay per month for eight months, confined for eight months, bad-conduct discharge. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to seven months.

Fort Campbell, Aug. 25:

Name: Pvt. Anthony C. Toney.

Conviction: By a military judge, contrary to his pleas, of two specifications of **sexual assault**.

Sentence: Confined for four years, dishonorable discharge.



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Second Judicial Circuit (Southeast)

Fort Stewart, Georgia, Aug. 4:

Name: Pvt. Thomas J. Watford

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **receiving child pornography** and one specification of **enticing a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 12 months, bad-conduct discharge.

Fort Benning, Georgia, Aug. 7:

Name: Staff Sgt. Andrew C. Markowski

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **willfully disobeying a superior commissioned officer**, one specification of **operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance**, four specifications of the **wrongful use of a controlled substance** and one specification of **reckless endangerment**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-2, forfeit all pay and allowances, confined for 15 months. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to nine months.

Fort Benning, Aug. 17:

Name: Not provided (staff sergeant)

Acquittal: By a military panel composed of officer and enlisted members, of two specifications of the **wrongful use of a controlled substance**.

Fort Benning, Aug. 18:

Name: Sgt. 1st Class David L. Ortiz

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of two specifications of the **wrongful use of a controlled substance**.

Sentence: Reprimand, hard labor without confinement for 21 days.

Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Aug. 19:

Name: Pfc. Erik J. Carter

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **false official statement**, one specification of **sexual assault** and one specification of **abusive sexual contact**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 30 months, bad-conduct discharge. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to 24 months.

Fort Bragg, Aug. 19:

Name: Sgt. Zachery A. Long

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **wrongful distribution of a controlled substance**, one specification of **sexual assault of a child** and one specification of **sexual abuse of a child**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, forfeit all pay and allowances, confined for 18 months, dishonorable discharge.

Fort Jackson, South Carolina, Aug. 27:

Name: Staff Sgt. Christian L. Liriano

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **rape of a child**, one specification of **sexual abuse of a child** and one specification of **production of child pornography**. Contrary to his pleas, the accused was convicted of seven specifications of **rape of a child** and three specifications of **forcible sodomy of a child**.

Acquittal: Four specifications of **rape of a child**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 50 years, dishonorable discharge. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to 40 years.

Third Judicial Circuit (Southwest and Midwest)

Fort Carson, Colorado, Aug. 4:

Name: Pvt. Sean A. Mecker

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of five specifications of the **wrongful use of a controlled substance** and one specification of **larceny of nonmilitary property of a value of \$500 or less**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for five months, bad-conduct discharge.

Fort Carson, Aug. 5:

Name: Sgt. Maj. Virgil L. Ebrecht

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his plea, of one specification of **abusive sexual contact of a child**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-4, confined for 30 months. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to six months.

Fort Carson, Aug. 6:

Name: Pfc. Anthony R. Vandyke

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **contempt toward a noncommissioned officer**, two specifications of **false**

official statement, one specification of **larceny of military property of a value of more than \$500** and one specification of **falsifying a marriage application**.

Sentence: Confined for nine months, bad-conduct discharge.

Fort Hood, Texas, Aug. 18:

Name: Pfc. Daniel E. Harris

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **assault consummated by a battery**, one specification of **wrongfully communicating a threat** and one specification of **unlawful entry**. Contrary to his pleas, the accused was convicted of one specification of **indecent exposure** and one specification of **aggravated assault**.

Sentence: Confined for five months, bad-conduct discharge.

Fort Carson, Aug. 21:

Name: Spc. Antony Dang

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of three specifications of **wrongfully possessing child pornography** and one specification of **wrongfully distributing child pornography**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, forfeit all pay and allowances, confined for 40 months, bad-conduct discharge. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to three years.

Fort Polk, Louisiana, Aug. 26:

Name: Sgt. 1st Class Roland H. Stamm

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his plea, of one specification of **desertion**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-4, confined for seven months, bad-conduct discharge.

Fourth Judicial Circuit (Far West and Far East)

Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, Aug. 4:

Name: Spc. Harry J. Ciborowski

Conviction: By a military panel composed of officer and enlisted members, contrary to his plea, of one specification of **sexual assault**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for three years, dishonorable discharge.

Wheeler Army Airfield, Hawaii, Aug. 4:

Name: Staff Sgt. Bradley I. Howard

Conviction: By a military panel composed of officers and enlisted members, contrary to his plea, of one specification of **indecent exposure**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, reprimand.

Camp Red Cloud, South Korea, Aug. 7:

Name: Spc. Immanuel E. Martinez

Conviction: By a military panel composed of officer and enlisted members, contrary to his pleas, of one specification of **attempted sexual assault**, one specification of **conspiracy to view the private area of another without consent**, three specifications of **sexual assault**, one specification of **abusive sexual contact** and one specification of **indecent viewing**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, forfeit all pay and allowances, confined for 15 years, dishonorable discharge.

Fort Irwin, California, Aug. 15:

Name: Pvt. Joseph S. Gipson

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his plea, of one specification of **absence without leave terminated by apprehension**.

Sentence: Confined for six months.

Fort Irwin, Aug. 16:

Name: Pfc. Rick A. Villanueva

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **conspiracy to use marijuana**, one specification of **absence without leave terminated by apprehension**, one specification of **absence without leave**, two specifications of the **wrongful use of marijuana** and one specification of the **wrongful introduction of marijuana onto a military installation**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for six months, bad-conduct discharge. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to three months.

Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Aug. 17:

Name: Spc. Lionel P. Scott

Conviction: By a military judge, pursuant to his plea, of one specification of **absence without leave**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 100 days, bad-conduct discharge.

Wheeler Army Airfield, Aug. 19:**Name:** Spc. Loren R. Berg**Conviction:** By a military judge, contrary to his pleas, of one specification of **false official statement**, one specification of **sexual assault of a child** and one specification of **assault consummated by a battery**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 16 months, bad-conduct discharge.**Fort Bliss, Texas, Aug. 20:****Name:** Spc. Andres Basilio**Conviction:** By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **disobeying the lawful order of a superior commissioned officer** and five specifications of **failure to obey a lawful general order**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-3, confined for 90 days.**Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Aug. 20:****Name:** Spc. Ricky L. Brown**Conviction:** By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of two specifications of **desertion** and one specification of **absence without leave**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for eight months, bad-conduct discharge.**Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Aug. 20:****Name:** Staff Sgt. Anthony T. Powell**Conviction:** By a military panel composed of officers and enlisted members, contrary to his pleas, of one specification of **assault consummated by a battery** and one specification of **adultery**.**Acquittal:** One specification of **abusive sexual contact**, one specification of **forcible sodomy** and two specifications of **assault consummated by a battery**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-4, bad-conduct discharge.**Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Aug. 21:****Name:** Pfc. Scott M. Lepley**Conviction:** By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **desertion** and one specification of **absence without leave**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 107 days, bad-conduct discharge.**Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Aug. 24:****Name:** Spc. Jake Sweatt**Conviction:** By a military judge, pursuant to his plea, of one specification of **desertion**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 90 days, bad-conduct discharge.**Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, Aug. 26:****Name:** Spc. Brandon S. Ellison**Conviction:** By a military judge, contrary to his plea, of one specification of **sexual assault**.**Acquittal:** Two specifications of **sexual assault**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 30 days, dishonorable discharge.**Army Garrison Yongsan, South Korea, Aug. 26:****Name:** Pvt. Robier Ramon**Conviction:** By a military judge, pursuant to his pleas, of one specification of **failure to obey a lawful general regulation** and three specifications of **assault consummated by a battery**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 30 months, bad-conduct discharge. As part of an offer to plead guilty, a pretrial agreement limited confinement to 14 months.**Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Aug. 28:****Name:** Pfc. Jacob R. Grant**Conviction:** By a military judge, contrary to his pleas, of one specification of **failure to go to his appointed place of duty**, two specifications of **failure to obey a lawful order**, one specification of **false official statement**, four specifications of **abusive sexual contact** and one specification of **sexual assault**.**Sentence:** Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for eight months, dishonorable discharge.**Fifth Judicial Circuit (Europe and Southwest Asia)****Kaiserslautern, Germany, Aug. 21:****Name:** Sgt. 1st Class Leron D. Delaney**Conviction:** By a military panel composed of officer and enlisted members, contrary to his plea, of one specification of **assault consummated by a**

battery.

Acquittal: One specification of **sexual assault**.

Sentence: Forfeit \$1,000 pay per month for two months, reprimand.

Kaiserslautern, Aug. 28:

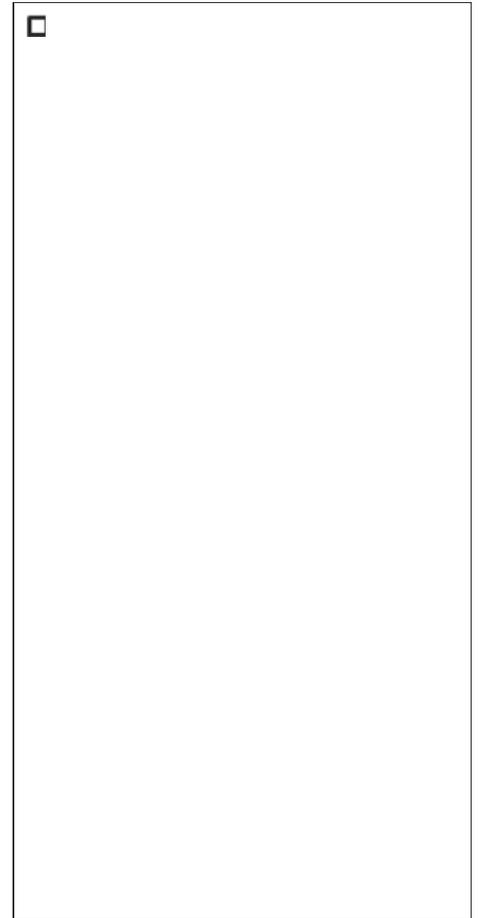
Name: Sgt. Windell M. Reeder

Conviction: By a military panel of officer and enlisted members, contrary to his pleas, of one specification of **failure to obey a lawful general regulation** and one specification of **wrongfully altering an official pass**.

Acquittal: One specification of **sexual assault**.

Sentence: Reduced to the grade of E-1, confined for 30 days, reprimand.

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