

**The following reports the results of Special and General Courts-Martial tried within the United States Navy in January 2014. The cases are listed by the Navy Region in which they were tried.**

## **Naval District Washington**

### **Special Court-Martial**

- At a Special Court-Martial in Washington, D. C., IS2 Andrew Albies, USN pleaded guilty to one specification of unauthorized absence and one specification of disobeying a general order. He pleaded not guilty to two additional specifications of unauthorized absence. On 16 January 2014, a panel of members found him guilty of one specification of unauthorized absence and sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, forfeit one-half month's pay for 6 months, and confinement for 45 days.

## **Navy Region Mid-Atlantic**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, DCFN Darius A. Rhodes, USN was tried for forcible rape, false official statement, and aggravated assault. On 9 January 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to assault consummated by a battery. He was sentenced to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, restriction for 60 days, and hard labor without confinement for 30 days.

### **Special Court-Martial**

- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, NDCS James C. Burger, USN was tried for dereliction of duty. On 18 January 2014, the panel of members returned a verdict of guilty and sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-7.

## **Navy Region Southeast**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Jacksonville, Florida, HN Shunterrence D. Trammell, USN pleaded guilty to abusive sexual contact. On 13 January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 20 months.

### **Special Court-Martial**

- At a Special Court-Martial in Pensacola, Florida, EO3 Steven Tefft, USN pleaded guilty to assault consummated by a battery. On 31 January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-2, and restriction for 45 days.

## **Navy Region Midwest**

### **No General or Special Courts-Martial**

## **Navy Region Northwest**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, an E-2 was tried for sexual assault and abusive sexual contact. On 9 January 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.
- At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, an E-4 was tried for sexual assault and abusive sexual contact. On 15 January 2014, the military judge returned a verdict of not guilty.

### **Special Court-Martial**

- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, BU3 Viviana Ramos, USN pleaded guilty to assault consummated by a battery and communicating a threat. On 16 January 2014, the military judge sentenced her to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-2, a fine of \$3,000.00, and confinement for 6 months.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, AN Xavier Martinez, USN pleaded guilty to unauthorized absence and drug abuse. On 17 January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, forfeit \$500.00 per month for 3 months, and confinement for 28 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, LS3 Nicholas A. Eleftheratos, USN pleaded guilty to false official statement and larceny. On 27 January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, a fine of \$400.00, and confinement for 90 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, MM1 James L. Mercer, USN pleaded guilty to violating a lawful order and assault consummated by a battery. On 27

January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-4, a fine of \$1,000.00, and confinement for 140 days.

## **Navy Region Southwest**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, AME2 Douglas Schroeder, USN pleaded guilty to assault consummated by a battery. On 30 January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to a reprimand, forfeiture of \$500.00 for one month, hard labor without confinement for 15 days, and confinement for 15 days.

### **Special Court-Martial**

- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, ABFAN Christyl Roper, USN pleaded guilty to absence without leave. On 9 January 2014, the military judge sentenced her to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1 and confinement for 75 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, BMC Don Robinson, USN pleaded guilty to willfully disobeying a superior commissioned officer, failure to obey a general order, and dishonorably failing to pay a debt. On 13 January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-5 and confinement for 75 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, ND1 Michael Taylor, USN pleaded guilty to failure to obey a general order, false official statements, larceny, forgery, and wrongful dumping of hazardous material. On 24 January 2014, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-5 and confinement for 22 days.

## **Navy Region Hawaii**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, an E-3 was tried for sexual assault. On 10 January 2014, the panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.
- At a General Court-Martial in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, LTJG Eutimio Zavala, USN was tried for aggravated sexual assault, wrongful sexual contact, adultery, and conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. On 31 January 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to adultery and conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman and sentenced him to a reprimand and forfeit \$2,682.00 per month for a period of 2 months.

## **Navy Region Japan**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Yokosuka, Japan, AOAN Jeffrey Sager, USN was tried for abusive sexual contacts. On 29 January 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to one specification of abusive sexual contact and sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge and confinement for 24 months.

## **Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Naples, Italy, an E-5 was tried for sexual assault. On 8 January 2014, the military judge returned a verdict of not guilty.
- At a General Court-Martial in Rota, Spain, an E-5 was tried for sexual assault. On 30 January 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.

### **Special Court-Martial**

- At a Special Court-Martial in Naples, Italy, SH3 Dennis J. Madriz was tried for violation of a lawful order. On 15 January 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty and sentenced him to a reprimand.