The following reports the results of Special and General Courts-Martial tried and completed within the United States Navy in February 2016. 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, QMSA Raiden J. Andrews, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to unauthorized absence, fleeing apprehension, false official statement, wrongful use of a controlled substance, and larceny. On 11 February 2016, contrary to his plea, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to sexual assault. On 12 February 2016, the members sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, to forfeit \$1616 per month for 36 months, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 36 months. The pretrial agreement had no effect on the sentence.
- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, CSCS Abel A. Montesdeoca, USN was tried for rape, sexual assault, and abusive sexual contact. On 19 February 2016, the panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty to rape, but returned a verdict of guilty to sexual assault and abusive sexual contact. The panel of members sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-6, and confinement for 6 months.
- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, EM3 Ricardo C. Pilola, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to indecent video recording. On 26 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 42 months. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 24 months 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 General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, HM2 Lanorris D. Daniels, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to aggravated sexual assault of a child, indecent liberties with a child, and sodomy of a child under the age of 16. On 29 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge,

reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 118 months. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 48 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 Norfolk, Virginia, ABH3 Shaquille S. Austin, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to conspiracy, attempted larceny, and solicitation. On 19 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-3 and confinement for 30 days. The pretrial agreement had no effect on the sentence.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, CS3 Brandon D. Whitney, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to wrongful appropriation. On 29 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-3 and confinement for 30 days. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 10 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 Southeast**

#### **General Court-Martial**

• At a General Court-Martial in Mayport, Florida, AZ1 Joseph E. Hamilton, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to aggravated assault. On 23 February 2016, the panel of members sentenced him to a reprimand, to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 1 year. The pretrial agreement had no effect on his sentence.

#### **Special Court-Martial**

• None.

## **Navy Region Northwest**

#### **General Court-Martial**

• None.

#### **Special Court-Martial**

• At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, CS1 Kyle J. Blatchley, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to two specifications of larceny and wrongful appropriation. On 10 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him 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 his sentence.

- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, EMC Eric A. Hopkins, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to making false official statements and adultery. On 11 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him to 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 in Bremerton, Washington, NCC Barry R. Gipson, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to two specifications of making false official statements, larceny, and wrongful appropriation. On 29 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-5. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, adjudged reduction below the paygrade of E-6 will be suspended for 6 months from the date of the convening authority's action. The suspended portion of the adjudged sentence may be approved if the Service Member violates the terms of the pretrial agreement.

## **Navy Region Southwest**

#### **General Court-Martial**

• At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, FCSA Ricardo A. Soltren, USN pled guilty pursuant to a pretrial agreement to possession of child pornography. On 18 February 2016, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, total forfeiture of all pay and allowances, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 4 years. Pursuant to the pretrial agreement, confinement greater than 12 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**

None.

# Navy Region Hawaii

**General Court-Martial** 

None.

**Special Court-Martial** 

• None.

# **Navy Region Japan**

## **General Court-Martial**

• None.

# **Special Court-Martial**

• None.

# Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia

# **General Court-Martial**

• None.

# **Special Court-Martial**

• None.