

Legal Blotter

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19th Airlift Wing Office of the Staff Judge Advocate (19 AW/JA)

Article 15 Actions (Non-Judicial Punishment)

A staff sergeant assigned to the 19th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a suspended reduction to senior airman, 45 days of extra duty and a reprimand for one violation of Article 92 – Dereliction of duty, by willfully misusing his government travel card.

A major assigned to the 41st Airlift Squadron received a forfeiture of \$750.00 pay per month for two months and a reprimand for one violation of Article 92 – Failure to obey a lawful general regulation, by wrongfully consuming alcohol off-base while deployed.

A technical sergeant assigned to the 314th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a suspended reduction to the grade of staff sergeant, forfeiture of \$1,000.00 pay per month for two months, and a reprimand for one violation of Article 92 – Dereliction of duty, by failing to accomplish an engine intake and exhaust inspection, and one violation of Article 107 – False official statement, by stating that he had accomplished the inspection.

Involuntary Discharges

A senior airman assigned to the 19th Maintenance Squadron received a general discharge for damaging base housing property, being absent from duty, and failing to report to duty.

A senior airman assigned to the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron received a honorable discharge for conditions that interfere with military service.

An airman first class assigned to the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron received a general discharge for failing to report on numerous occasions to duty, refusing to remove excessive tattoos, disrespecting a NCO, being out of uniform, and leaving work without notifying supervision.

An airman first class assigned to the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron received a general discharge for failing to obey direct orders, disrespecting fellow airmen, failing to report to duty, failing a dorm inspection, and receiving excessive noise complaints.

An airman first class assigned to the 314th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a general discharge for failing to report to duty, failing to obey direct orders, failing to possess restricted area badge at work, reporting to work late, and failing to retrieve personal items from an aircraft.

From the 19th Airlift Wing's Office of the Staff Judge Advocate: The Uniform Code of Military Justice authorizes commanders to exercise personal discretion in evaluating each case. Commanders consider the nature of the offense, the record of the servicemember, the need for good order and discipline, the effect of punishment on the servicemember, and the servicemember's record. Every case is unique and is evaluated independently. The Manual for Courts-Martial reminds us that military law promotes justice, assists in the maintenance of good order and discipline in the armed forces, promotes the efficiency and effectiveness of the military establishment, and strengthens the national security of the United States.