

**UNITED STATES NAVY-MARINE CORPS  
COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS  
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**Before  
R.E. VINCENT, E.C. PRICE, J.R. PERLAK  
Appellate Military Judges**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**v.**

**ERSKINE E. BLANTON III  
PRIVATE (E-1), U.S. MARINE CORPS**

**NMCCA 200900461  
SPECIAL COURT-MARTIAL**

**Sentence Adjudged:** 18 June 2009.

**Military Judge:** LtCol Paul McConnell, USMC.

**Convening Authority:** Commanding Officer, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, VA.

**Staff Judge Advocate's Recommendation:** LtCol S.C. Newman, USMC.

**For Appellant:** CAPT Johnathan Bryan, JAGC, USN.

**For Appellee:** Mr. Brian Keller, Esq.

**17 November 2009**

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**OPINION OF THE COURT**  
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After careful consideration of the record, submitted without assignment of error, we affirm the findings and sentence as approved by the convening authority. Art. 66(c), Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 U.S.C. § 866(c).

For the Court

R.H. TROIDL  
Clerk of Court