

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

Naval District Washington

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial at the Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C., AN Dustin Clark, USN was tried for rape, aggravated sexual assault, and sodomy. On 21 February 2014, the military judge returned a verdict of guilty for rape and sodomy and a verdict of not guilty for aggravated sexual assault. The military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 7 years.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial at the Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C., IS3 Kristopher Linton, USN pleaded guilty to unauthorized absence and larceny. On 12 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, a fine of \$12,250.00 and confinement for 3 months.

Navy Region Mid-Atlantic

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, LTJG Douglas Varnado, USN pleaded guilty to missing ship's movement, violation of a general order, false official statement, and conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman and was additionally tried for sexual assault. On 12 February 2014, the military judge returned a verdict of not guilty to the sexual assault and sentenced him to a fine of \$42,000.00 and confinement for 89 days.
- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, an O-2 was tried for abusive sexual contact, conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, and drunk and disorderly conduct. On 18 February 2014, the military judge returned a verdict of not guilty.
- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, MM2 Evan R. Tapio, USN pleaded guilty to receipt and solicitation of child pornography. On 20 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 2 years.

- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, EM2 Edward T. Atulu, USN pleaded guilty to abusive sexual contact. On 26 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge and confinement for 1 year.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, BM3 Brandon L. Ferguson, USN was tried for two specifications of wrongful use of spice. On 1 February 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to one specification and sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-2, forfeit \$1144.00 per month for 2 months, restriction for 30 days, and hard labor without confinement for 30 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, HM2 Steven Cook, USN pleaded guilty to violation of a general order and indecent language. On 10 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to confinement for 10 months.

Navy Region Southeast

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Pensacola, Florida, ABE2 Alonzo Bass, USN was tried for rape, aggravated sexual assault, abusive sexual contact, aggravated sexual contact, wrongful sexual contact, sexual harassment, forcible sodomy, and assault consummated by a battery. On 28 February 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to sexual harassment, wrongful sexual contact, and sodomy. The panel sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, forfeit all pay and allowances, and confinement for 7 years.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Pensacola, Florida, AR Brandon McKenzie, USN pleaded guilty to unauthorized absence, violation of a general order, wrongful use of marijuana, wrongful appropriation, and larceny. On 11 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge and confinement for 5 months.

Navy Region Midwest

No Special or General Courts-Martial

Navy Region Northwest

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Everett, Washington, ABE1 Marcelino C. Olivarez, USN pleaded guilty to violating general orders and assaults consummated by battery. On 28 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 40 months.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, AOAN Ledarius A. Garrett, USN pleaded guilty to willfully disobeying a superior commissioned officer, insubordinate conduct towards a petty officer, and breaking restriction, and was additionally tried for assault consummated by a battery and communicating a threat. On 12 February 2014, the military judge returned a verdict of guilty on all charges and sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-1 and confinement for 120 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Everett, Washington, EMFN Dustin B. Shattuck, USN pleaded guilty to indecent exposure. On 25 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-2, forfeit \$500.00 per month for 4 months, and confinement for 120 days.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Everett, Washington, ATAN Christian D. Wilson pleaded guilty to wrongful possession, introduction with the intent to distribute, and use of cocaine, and disorderly conduct. On 26 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, and confinement for 8 months.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, IT3 Christian N. Smith, USN pleaded guilty to wrongful use of marijuana and unauthorized absence. On 28 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-3, a fine of \$500.00 and confinement for 47 days.

Navy Region Southwest

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, SH2 Jim Villanueva, USN was tried for two specifications of forcible sodomy. On 14 February 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to one specification of forcible sodomy. The members sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge and confinement for 1 year.
- At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, an E-6 was tried for rape and assault consummated by a battery. On 20 February 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of not guilty.
- At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, CE3 Nathan Karanja, USN was tried for sexual assault and making indecent visual recordings. On 28 February 2014, the

military judge returned a verdict of guilty to sexual assault and sentenced him to be discharged with a Dishonorable Discharge and confinement for 33 months.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, CS2 Jeremy Weaver, USN was tried for attempted sexual assault, sexual assault, making false official statements, and obstruction of justice. On 21 February 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to making false official statements and obstruction of justice. The panel of members sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-4, forfeit \$1,214 per month for 2 months, and restriction for 45 days.

Navy Region Hawaii

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, an E-5 was tried for sexual assault. On 26 Feb 2014, the military judge returned a verdict of not guilty.

Navy Region Japan

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Yokosuka, Japan, CS3 Adrian Aguinaldo, USN pleaded guilty to larceny. On 25 February 2014, the military judge sentenced him to be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge, reduction in rank to paygrade E-1, a fine of \$10,000.00, and confinement for 75 days.

Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court Martial in Naples, Italy, HMC Michael Z. Pabelona, USN was tried for theft of military property, false official statements, and conspiracy to commit fraud. On 14 February 2014, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty for theft of military property and a false official statement and sentenced him to reduction in rank to paygrade E-5, forfeit all pay and allowances, a fine of \$60,000.00, confinement for 60 days, and restriction for 60 days.