

From the 4th Fighter Wing, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

The following military justice and administrative actions have been completed in 2025.

### **COURTS-MARTIAL**

An Airman First Class was court-martialed for sending and receiving multiple images of child pornography. On 26 February 2025, panel members found the Airman First Class guilty at a General Court-Martial for Wrongfully Soliciting the Distribution of Child Pornography, Wrongfully Receiving and Viewing Child Pornography, and Wrongfully Distributing Child Pornography. The Airman First Class was sentenced to a Dishonorable Discharge, 1 year confinement, and reduction to E-1.

An Airman First Class was placed in pre-trial confinement and court-martialed for continually using Delta-8 and 9 over a four-month period. On 12 March 2025, the Airman First Class pled guilty at a Special Court-Martial for the Wrongful Use of Delta-8 THC and the Wrongful use of Delta-9 THC. The Airman First Class was sentenced to no confinement, a Bad Conduct Discharge, and reduction to E-2

A Staff Sergeant was caught in multiple undercover operations intended to root out individuals targeting children online. In addition, child pornography was found in his possession, and he engaged in wrongful sexual conduct with multiple adult women while he was married. On 13 February 2025, the Staff Sergeant pled guilty at a General Court-Martial for the Attempted Sexual Abuse of a Child, Wrongful Possession of Child Pornography, Extramarital Sexual Conduct, as well as Indecent Acts and Communications. The Staff Sergeant was sentenced to a Dishonorable Discharge, 6 years and 3 months of confinement, and a reduction to E-4.

### **NONJUDICIAL PUNISHMENT UNDER ARTICLE 15, UCMJ**

*Nonjudicial punishment under Article 15, UCMJ, provides commanders with an essential and prompt means of maintaining good order and discipline and/or promoting positive behavior changes in servicemembers.*

A **Staff Sergeant** accepted an Article 15 for Being Drunk on Duty. The Staff Sergeant's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Senior Airman and a reprimand.

A **Senior Airman** accepted an Article 15 for Failure to Obey a Lawful Order by violating a No Contact Order. The Senior Airman's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Airman First Class, suspended for 6 months, and a reprimand.

A **Senior Airman** accepted an Article 15 for Wrongful Neglect of a Dog, Wrongful Abandonment of a Dog and False Official Statement. The Senior Airman's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Airman First Class; a reduction in rank to Airman, suspended for 6 months; forfeiture of \$1,181.00 pay, suspended for 6 months; and a reprimand.

A **Senior Airman** accepted an Article 15 for False Official Statement. The Senior Airman's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Airman First Class, 10 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

A **Senior Airman** accepted an Article 15 for Being Absent Without Leave. The Senior Airman's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Airman First Class and a reprimand.

A **Senior Airman** accepted an Article 15 for Being Absent Without Leave. The Senior Airman's punishment was a reduction in rank to Airman First Class, suspended for 6 months; forfeiture of \$500; and a reprimand.

A **Senior Airman** accepted an Article 15 for Reckless Driving. The Senior Airman's punishment consisted of forfeiture of \$500, suspended for 6 months, and a reprimand.

A **Senior Airman** accepted an Article 15 for Failure to Obey a Lawful Regulation by wrongfully using Delta-8 tetrahydrocannabinol. The Senior Airman's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Airman First Class and a reprimand.

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An **Airman First Class** accepted an Article 15 for False Official Statement, Wrongful Use of Delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol, and Failure to Obey a Lawful Regulation by wrongfully using Delta-8 tetrahydrocannabinol. The Airman First Class's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Airman; 45 days of base restriction, suspended 6 months; 45 days of additional duty, suspended 6 months; and a reprimand.

An **Airman First Class** accepted an Article 15 for Failure to Obey a Lawful Order by sleeping and wrongfully using a cellphone while on duty. The Airman First Class's punishment consisted of a reduction in rank to Airman and a reprimand.

## ADMINISTRATIVE DISCHARGES

*Commanders and supervisors identify members who show a likelihood for early separation and make reasonable efforts to help these members meet Air Force standards. Members who do not show potential for future service should be discharged.*

An **Airman First Class** was discharged for Misconduct: **Minor Disciplinary Infractions** with a General (under honorable conditions) service characterization. Member received six LORs (two command level), one LOC, and one RIC.

An **Airman First Class** was discharged for **Misconduct: Drug Abuse** with a General (under honorable conditions) service characterization. Member tested positive for Delta 8-THC.

An **Airman First Class** was discharged for **Misconduct: Drug Abuse** with a General (under honorable conditions) service characterization. Member tested positive for Delta 9-THC and admitted to using a THC vape on multiple occasions.

An **Airman First Class** was discharged for **Misconduct: Drug Abuse** with a General (under honorable conditions) service characterization. Member tested positive for Delta 8-THC and admitted to using it as a coping mechanism for his alcohol issues.

An **Airman First Class** was discharged for **Misconduct: Pattern of Misconduct, discreditable involvement with military or civilian authorities** with a General (under honorable conditions) service characterization. Member was arrested and charged for two off- base DWIs within a year.

An **Airman** was discharged for **Misconduct: Civilian Conviction** with a General (under honorable conditions service characterization. Member pled guilty to off-base DWI. In addition to his DWI, member had other misconduct not used as the basis for separation but was used when determining if the member should be separated.

A **Staff Sergeant** was discharged for **Misconduct: Commission of a Serious Offense, sexual misconduct** with an Under Other Than Honorable Conditions (UOTHC) service characterization. Member was charged off-base with 11 counts of sexual exploitation of minors.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE DEMOTIONS**

*An administrative demotion is a quality force management tool commanders have to help ensure a quality enlisted force. Administrative demotions are intended to place Airmen at a rank commensurate with their skill level and ability.*

A **Senior Airman** was demoted to Airman First Class for failing three Physical Fitness Assessments in a 24-month period.

A **Senior Airman** was demoted to Airman First Class for driving while intoxicated, fleeing arrest, and reckless driving.

An **Airman First Class** was demoted to Airman for driving while intoxicated.

An **Airman First Class** was demoted to Airman for negligently ingesting Delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol.

\*All Military Justice cases are decided individually on their own merits and facts. There is no formula or table that determines the appropriate findings or action in a specific case. Specific cases are decided by the appropriate authority in that case alone. The above incidents were what the appropriate authority decided in those cases and do not determine decisions for future similar cases, which could be harsher or more lenient.