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ANDERSEN LEGAL OFFICE



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Wills:
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UCMJ Article 117A



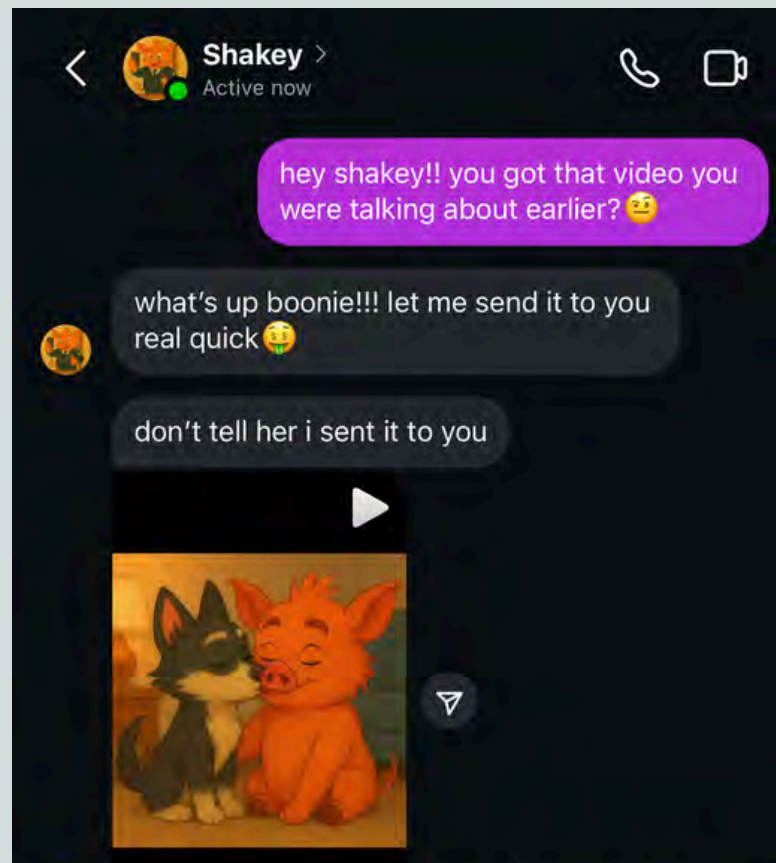
Wrongful Broadcast or Distribution of Intimate Visual Images

The act of recording or broadcasting intimate images without consent is illegal. The term “broadcast” means to electronically transmit a visual image/video with the intent of others viewing it.

Life changing consequences!

An Art 117a conviction could lead to reduction in rank to E-1, total forfeiture of pay, up to 2 years of confinement, a dishonorable discharge, and may even require registration as a sex offender.

Victims may face social, personal, and mental hardships as a result. The internet never forgets, and the damage inflicted by these acts can haunt victims for years to come.



Enacted in 2017, Article 117a is a crucial tool in a digital age where content spreads quickly and digital footprints can be everlasting. Violation of Article 117A is illegal and unacceptable as it can destroy relationships within your command and detract from mission readiness.

RAMIFICATION OF A *Discharge*

Veteran benefits are jeopardized by wrongful or criminal actions leading to discharge. Misconduct, failure to meet standards, or security violations can trigger administrative or judicial separation proceedings, potentially resulting in a discharge.



Any discharge that isn't honorable, can affect your benefits. A General discharge may limit eligibility for some benefits, while Other than Honorable, Bad Conduct, and Dishonorable discharges often disqualify individuals from most federal veterans' programs to include medical retirement pay and educational benefits.

Ultimately, protecting your hard-earned military benefits requires adhering to the high standards expected of those who serve. Understanding the regulations and potential consequences of actions leading to discharge is crucial for safeguarding your future.

ASK SHAKEY!

You Asked. We Answered.

I hate my name, how can I change it?

You can legally change your name by obtaining a court order. Just don't steal my name, Shakey is taken! While the court order process varies depending on local jurisdiction, it typically involves filing paperwork and appearing before a judge.

Then comes the fun part - notifying all the various agencies like the postal service, Social Security Administration, IRS, and Department of Motor Vehicles.

For military members, don't forget to visit MPF and update DEERS. Finally, verify that your name has been updated with other military agencies such as Finance, Medical, and your Security Manager.

Can I sue my supervisor for an LOR?

No, you can't sue your leadership over an LOR.

What you can do if you disagree with an LOR:

Contact the Area Defense Counsel (ADC)!

An ADC can help you submit a written rebuttal explaining why you think it's unwarranted and include mitigating factors.

They can also assist with raising concerns up the chain of command, if warranted.

Can civilians on orders use notary services at the legal office?

It depends. If you are a civilian member that is assigned OCONUS (foreign country) but not in a US territory, then yes. But if you are in a US territory or CONUS, then no, civilians are not eligible unless it relates to your DoW job.

What civilian lawyers on Guam can you recommend?

Regulation prohibits me from making any civilian lawyer recommendations, but you can search for a lawyer near you on the Guam Bar Association's website (guambar.org). You can even filter by practice area.



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As a military member can I go to nude beaches or participate in naked marathons in Italy?

Nude beaches and naked marathons in Italy? Oh my! So you're picturing yourself bronzed, liberated, and sprinting through Tuscany... naked. Let's just pump the brakes on that fantasy for a hot second. Here's the catch: you're not just a tourist, you're a U.S. military member. This means you are rocking two sets of rules: Italian law *and* the UCMJ.

Now, nudity itself might be legal in specific zones in Italy, but *public indecency* is a real thing. The UCMJ has broad language about conduct unbecoming of an officer or NCO, and conduct bringing discredit upon the Armed Forces. **Bottom line:** Tread carefully. Before you shed your clothes, ask yourself, "Would my commanding officer approve? How does this reflect on the United States Air Force?"

If I can drink at the age of 18 in certain countries even though it is illegal to drink under the age of 21 in the US, why can't I solicit prostitution or smoke marijuana in areas where it is legal?

It may be tempting to think, "Hey, it's legal here, Party On!" But remember that UCMJ thing? Here's the deal: In a battle between local law and the UCMJ, the more restrictive law wins.

While prostitution may be legal in some areas, soliciting it is a violation of Article 134. Even where legal, using or possessing marijuana is a no-go. It violates federal law and the UCMJ.

The reason why an 18 year old can legally drink a beer in Germany is because there is no UCMJ article or US Federal Law establishing a minimum drinking age. Drinking ages are established by state law, and state law violations can be charged under the UCMJ as well.



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STATUS of Discipline

SEP & OCT '25

Air Force Docket
<https://legalassistance.law.af.mil/AMJAMS/PublicDocket/docket.html>



NONJUDICIAL PUNISHMENTS

Andersen AFB commanders administered 4 Nonjudicial Punishment actions under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) for the following offenses:

Dereliction of Duty; Wrongful Broadcast: An A1C wrongfully broadcasted a sexually explicit video of a person who did not consent to the broadcast of the image, failed to escort a sponsored visitor at all times, and had an overnight guest in his AAFB dorm. For these offenses, the A1C received a reduction to E-2, with a suspended reduction to E-1 and 30 days extra duty.

Dereliction of Duty; Driving Under the Influence: A SrA drank while on standby duty and drove his personal vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. The SrA received a reduction to E-3 and suspended forfeitures of \$1,452.00 for two months.

Driving Under the Influence: A SrA drove his personal vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. The SrA received a reduction to E-3, suspended forfeitures of \$1,366.00 for two months, 15 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

Domestic Violence against a Spouse; Extramarital Conduct: A SrA committed a violent offense against his spouse by grabbing and twisting her arm, causing an injury. Additionally, he engaged in sexual intercourse with a person that was not his spouse. For these offenses, the SrA received a reduction in rank to E-3 and with a suspended restriction to AAFB for 45 days.

ADMINISTRATIVE DISCHARGES

Andersen AFB commanders processed 2 Administrative Discharges.

Commission of a Serious Offense, Other Serious Offenses: An Airman was separated with an Under Other than Honorable Conditions (UOTHC) service characterization following a General Court Martial conviction for falsifying documents to fraudulently collect BAH.

Entry Level Performance or Conduct: An Airman was separated for failing to conform and adapt to military standards by continuously committing misconduct on duty and displaying an inability to report to duty on time. This discharge occurred following 1 LOC and 3 LORs.



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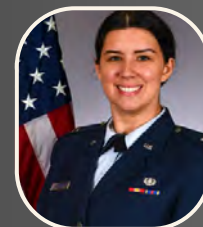


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