The following reports the results of every Special and General Court-Martial tried within the United States Navy in October 2023. The cases are separated by the Navy Region in which they were tried. Reference to the inclusion of a waiver of an administrative separation board in the plea agreement will only be reported in those cases where a punitive discharge is not adjudged as part of the sentence.

## **Naval District Washington**

### **General Court-Martial**

• At a General Court-Martial in Washington, DC, MIDN Tamere Smith, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to three specifications of a violation of a lawful general order, two specifications of indecent exposure, one specification of production of child pornography, and one specification of possession of child pornography. On 17 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 70 months confinement and a Dismissal.

### **Special Court-Martial**

• At a Special Court-Martial in Washington, DC, an E-6, USN, was tried for one specification of dereliction of the performance of duties. On 26 October 2023, the military judge returned a verdict of not guilty.

## **Navy Region Mid-Atlantic**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Washington, DC, SOC Tony Dedolph, USN, was resentenced after having previously pled guilty pursuant to a pre-trial agreement to one specification of conspiracy to commit an assault consummated by a battery, one specification of conspiracy to obstruct justice, one specification of involuntary manslaughter, one specification of violating a lawful general order, and one specification of obstruction of justice (*see* U.S. v. Dedolph, NMCCA Docket No. 202100150, decided 15 November 2022). On 6 October 2023, the military judge sentenced him to 18 months confinement, reduction in paygrade to E-4, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.
- At a General Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, ABH3 Hiram Vargas, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to one specification of indecent recording and one specification of abusive sexual contact. On 17 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to total forfeitures, 10 months confinement, reduction in paygrade to E-1, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

### Special Court-Martial

• At a Special Court-Martial in Norfolk, Virginia, IC2 Stefan Johnson, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to one specification of domestic violence involving

strangulation. On 10 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 9 months confinement and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

## **Navy Region Southeast**

### **General Court-Martial**

- At a General Court-Martial in Mayport, Florida, MM1 Ranzavian Ricks, USN, was tried for two specifications of domestic violence involving a violent offense, three specifications of domestic violence involving strangulation, and three specifications of assault consummated by a battery. On 6 October 2023, a panel of members returned a verdict of guilty to one specification of domestic violence involving a violent offense of assault consummated by a battery, one specification of domestic violence involving strangulation, and one specification of assault consummated by a battery, and sentenced him to forfeitures of pay of \$1,500 per month for two months, 90 days confinement, and reduction in paygrade to E-4.
- At a General Court-Martial in Mayport, Florida, MA1 Jeffrey Deason, Jr., USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to one specification of attempted sexual abuse of a child involving indecent exposure. On 12 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 25 days confinement, reduction in paygrade to E-3, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

## **Special Court-Martial**

• None.

## **Navy Region Northwest**

## **General Court-Martial**

• At a General Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, ABH2 Israel Marmolejo, Jr., USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to two specifications of sexual abuse of a child. On 24 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 11 years confinement, reduction in paygrade to E-1, and a Dishonorable Discharge.

### **Special Court-Martial**

• At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, Washington, MT2 Sangkwon Choi, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to one specification of wrongful use of a controlled substance. On 18 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to no punishment. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

# **Navy Region Southwest**

## **General Court-Martial**

• At a General Court-Martial in San Diego, California, LSSR Isaac Escamilla, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to two specifications of possession of child pornography. On 16 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 34 months confinement and a Dishonorable Discharge.

### **Special Court-Martial**

• At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, California, ITSN Amahl Johnson, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to one specification of wrongful distribution of intimate visual images. On 26 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 45 days restriction and a reduction in paygrade to E-1. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

## Navy Region Hawaii

### **General Court-Martial**

• None.

### **Special Court-Martial**

• None.

## **Navy Region Japan**

### **General Court-Martial**

• At a General Court-Martial in Yokosuka, Japan, AGAN Cameron Blackmore, USN, pled guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to two specifications of abusive sexual contact, one specification of sexual assault, four specifications of indecent recording, and one specification of assault consummated by battery. On 20 October 2023, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 41 months confinement, a reduction in paygrade to E-1, and a Dishonorable Discharge.

### **Special Court-Martial**

• None.

# Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central

## General Court-Martial

• None.

# **Special Court-Martial**

• None.