

The following reports the results of every Special and General Court-Martial tried within the United States Navy in January 2026. 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, D.C., HM3 Aidan Q. Lairson, USN, pled guilty to one specification of sexual abuse of a child involving sexual contact. On 8 January 2026, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced her to forfeitures of \$1,100 a month for two months and a reduction in paygrade to E-5. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

Special Court-Martial

- None

Navy Region Mid-Atlantic

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- None.

Navy Region Southeast

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Jacksonville, FL, an E-3 was tried for one specification of conspiracy to commit rape and one specification of rape by unlawful force. On 17 January 2026, a panel of members found the accused not guilty.

Special Court-Martial

- None.

Navy Region Northwest

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, WA, PR2 Jessie W. Diodonet, USN, pled guilty to one specification of domestic violence involving the commission of a violent offense. On 12 January 2026, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 5 days confinement and a reduction in paygrade to E-4.
- At a Special Court-Martial in Bremerton, WA, LCpl. Blake W. Jacobs, USMC, pled guilty to one specification of unauthorized absence of more than 30 days terminated by apprehension. On 13 January 2026, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 30 days confinement and a reduction in paygrade to E-1.

Navy Region Southwest

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, CA, AD2 Sean D. Cortez, USN, pled guilty to one specification of larceny of non-military property of a value more than \$1000 and one specification of attempted larceny. On 15 January 2026, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 90 days confinement and a reduction in paygrade to E-1. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, CA, an E-3 was tried for one specification of use of a controlled substance (cocaine). On 21 January 2026, a military judge found the accused not guilty.
- At a Special Court-Martial in San Diego, CA, DCFN Joshua W. Hardwick, USN, pled guilty to one specification of unauthorized absence of three to 30 days and one specification of unauthorized absence of more than 30 days. On 27 January 2026, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to a reduction in paygrade to E-1 and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Navy Region Hawaii

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- At a Special Court-Martial in Honolulu, HI, MMAC Jack J. Nemeth, USN, pled guilty to three specifications of knowingly using a credit or debit card without authorization to obtain property of \$1000 or less. On 8 January 2026, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced him to 101 days confinement and a reduction in rank to E-3. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

Navy Region Japan

General Court-Martial

- At a General Court-Martial in Yokosuka, Japan, QM1 Cheyenne S. Cain, USN, pled guilty to one specification of domestic violence involving the commission of a serious offense. On 27 January 2026, consistent with the plea agreement, the military judge sentenced her to forfeitures of \$1,100 a month for two months and a reduction in paygrade to E-5. The plea agreement contained a waiver of the accused's administrative separation board.

Special Court-Martial

- None.

Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central

General Court-Martial

- None.

Special Court-Martial

- None.