

Sample Article 140a Request

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From: REQUESTOR'S NAME

To: Initial Review Authority, OJAG Code 20

Subj: Article 140a, UCMJ Request for Public Release ICO [CASE]

Ref: (a) JAGINST 5813.2A

(b) Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a

1. In accordance with reference (a), information is requested for public release under UCMJ Article 140(a) for the following case(s):

- a. Accused's Name (Last, First, MI):
- b. Accused's Rank/Rate:
- c. Accused's Service (USN, USMC):
- d. Judicial Circuit or NMCCA, if known:

2. Requested Court Documents. This request for public release seeks the following information in compliance with reference (a) and all applicable regulations:

- a. List specific court documents requested;
- b. Describe stage in proceedings (i.e., arraignment, motions hearing, trial) and specific description as to why release at this stage is warranted and release in accordance with paragraph 5(a)(3)(f) and 5(b)(3)(c) of reference (a) is insufficient;
- c. Note whether this is an ongoing request for a court-martial in-progress, and explain in detail why an ongoing release would be appropriate;
- d. Explain the justification provided for release of the documents, and reference the applicable public interest factors in paragraph 5(c)(2)(e) of reference (a).

3. These documents are requested for release in the interest of public disclosure and the fair administration of military justice, taking into consideration the restrictions appropriate to judicial proceedings and military records under Art. 140a, UCMJ.

4. I can be contacted at [phone] and [email].

[SIGNATURE]

Enclosure (4)