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GROUP POLICY LETTER 2-14

From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: REDUCTION AT NON-JUDICIAL PUNISHMENT AUTHORITY

Ref: (a) ForO P5800.6A (MARFORRES LEGAL SOP)
(b) JAGINST 5800.7F (JAGMAN)
(c) Manual for Courts-Martial, Part V
(d) MCO P1400.32D (Enlisted Promotion Manual)

1. Situation. To establish official Force Headquarters Group policy in regards authority to impose reduction at non-judicial punishment.

2. Mission. To authorize an appropriate level of disciplinary authority in order to maintain good order and discipline within a respective unit.

3. Execution

a. Officers are authorized to award reduction in one grade to enlisted personnel of certain grades within their command as long as all of the following criteria are met:

(1) According to the most recent T/O, the official billet of the officer awarding reduction is Commanding Officer (CO) or Inspector-Instructor (I-I).

(2) The officer awarding non-judicial punishment is currently in a duty status if they are a Reserve officer. Active Duty/Active Reserve Officers are considered to always be in a duty status.

(3) The officer imposing non-judicial punishment is in the pay grade of Major (O-4) or above.

(4) The level of command of the officer imposing non-judicial punishment is company-level or higher.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) In accordance with reference (a) and (b), Inspector-Instructors are considered Commanding Officers for the purpose of imposing non-judicial punishment upon Active Duty/Active Reserve personnel of their command. They may not impose non-judicial

punishment upon Reserve personnel within their command (excluding Active Reserve).

(2) Reserve Officers may impose non-judicial punishment upon Reserve personnel within their command only. They are not authorized to impose non-judicial punishment on Active Duty/Active Reserve personnel.

(3) Any non-judicial punishment proceedings that occur must conform to the regulations within references (a), (b) and any other applicable references.

4. Administration and Logistics. For questions or concerns in regards to this policy letter contact the Force Headquarters Group representative at Marine Forces Reserve Staff Judge Advocate Office, or the Force Headquarters Group Adjutant.

5. Command and Signal

a. This policy letter is effective the date signed.

b. This policy letter is applicable to all subordinate units within Force Headquarters Group.


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