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Below are the administrative actions taken by the 49th Wing during the month of April 2015. Names are withheld when appropriate to the forum. One of the most sacred principles in the justice system is that a defendant is innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Courts-Martial:

- Senior Airman Cody W. Vanzant, 49th Civil Engineer Squadron, was court-martialed and convicted of attempting to leave the scene of an accident, in violation of Article 80, UCMJ; damaging a utility pole, and damaging a wooden fence, a stucco privacy wall, and a residence, in violation of Article 109, UCMJ; and driving while under the influence of alcohol and reckless driving, both in violation of Article 111, UCMJ. A military judge sentenced him to three months confinement, two months hard labor without confinement, forfeiture of \$500.00 pay per month for three months, and a reduction to E-2.
- Major Clarence Anderson III was sentenced April 22 following a three-day general court-martial trial by a military judge to 42 months confinement and dismissal from the Air Force. Anderson was found guilty of committing six offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice sexual assault and abusive sexual contact in violation of Article 120; aggravated assault and assault consummated by battery in violation of Article 128; and communicating a threat and kidnapping in violation of Article 134. The offenses were committed in Florida, Alabama and New Mexico against one victim as Anderson changed stations. **In accordance with Rule for Courts-Martial (RCM) 1003, Officers may not be sentenced to a reduction in pay grade.*

Article 15 Actions:

- An Airman First Class, 49th Security Forces Squadron, received nonjudicial punishment for failing to go to their appointed place of duty. Punishment consisted of reduction to the grade of Airman and a reprimand.
- An Airman First Class, 49th Material Maintenance Squadron, received nonjudicial punishment for wrongfully using marijuana and for being disorderly, which conduct was of a nature to bring discredit upon the armed forces. Punishment consisted of reduction to the grade of Airman Basic and a reprimand.
- A Senior Airman, 49th Comptroller Squadron, received nonjudicial punishment for two counts of dereliction of duty. Punishment consisted of reduction to the grade of Airman First Class, 15 days extra duty, and a reprimand.
- An Airman First Class, 49th Material Maintenance Squadron, received nonjudicial punishment for physically controlling a vehicle while drunk. Punishment consisted of reduction to the grade of Airman and a reprimand.
- An Airman First Class, 49th Security Forces Squadron, received nonjudicial punishment for two counts of dereliction of duty. Punishment consisted of reduction to the grade of Airman Basic and a reprimand.

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• A Captain, 49th Medical Operations Squadron, received nonjudicial punishment for adultery and fraternization. Punishment consisted of forfeiture of \$2,609.00 pay per month for two months.

Administrative Discharges:

- An Airman First Class, 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron, was discharged for Drug Abuse. Member provided one pill of her lawfully prescribed Hydrocodone to another Airman. Member received a General discharge, resulting in the loss of GI bill benefits.
- An Airman First Class, 49th Security Forces Squadron, was discharged for Failure to Meet Minimum Fitness Standards. Member received an Honorable discharge.
- An Airman First Class, 54th Maintenance Squadron, was discharged for Failure to Progress in Military Training. Member received an Honorable discharge.

Administrative Demotions:

• An Airman First Class from the 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron received an administrative demotion action for failure to maintain or demonstrate the ability and willingness to attain physical fitness standards. The member failed his Fitness Assessment three times in a 24 month period, and was subsequently demoted to the rank of Airman.

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