

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY AND THE AIR FORCE

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28 February 2014

MEMORANDUM FOR MSG RENEE K. REED

SUBJECT: Original Decision - Removal

- 1. On 12 February 2014, LTC Scott Meyers, Surface Maintenance Manager, proposed that you be removed from National Guard technician employment. I have decided that there is cause for your removal.
- 2. This action will be effective on 15 March 2014. You will continued to be in a suspended with pay status until the termination date.
- 3. I have considered your reply of 24 February 2014. In your reply you make the following points.
- a. As for the offense of engaging in an impermissible relationship with LTC Golnick you state: "While on the surface there seems to be a number of individuals who mention an inappropriate relationship exists between MSG Reed and LTC Golnick, a review of the evidence reveals the allegations are hearsay and largely based on rumor". After careful consideration of your reply and review of the sworn statements in the AR 15-6 investigation, I do not feel that the issue was resolved.
- b. Your reply to the concerning allegations of misused of your military technician position to obtain and use government vehicles located at Grayling for non-official use during Annual Training, drill weekends, and during the technician duty day was: "There is not enough evidence to support these allegations. In fact, the allegations are not true". After careful consideration of your reply and review of the sworn statements in the AR 15-6 investigation, I do not feel that the issue was resolved.
- 4. I am basing this decision on the evidence presented within the Maneuver and Training Equipment Site (MATES) 15-6.
- a. Over the past 24 months you have engaged in an impermissible relationship with LTC Golnick in violation of AR 600-20, para. 4-14, which created a predictable adverse impact on discipline, authority, morale, and the ability of the command to accomplish its mission.
- b. Over the past 24 months you have misused your position as a military technician to obtain and use government vehicles located at Grayling for non-official use during Annual Training, drill weekends, and during the technician duty day.

- 5. The Human Resource Office (HRO) has been consulted on the issuance of this letter. You may seek assistance regarding procedural issues by contacting the Labor Relations Specialist, CW4 Andrew Mosciski at DSN 623-9686, COMM (517) 481-7686, or email at andrew.g.mosciski.mil@mail.mil. This HRO member is not your representative.
- 6. You have the right to appeal this original decision. You may request either an appellate review or an administrative hearing. You may not request both methods of appeal. The appellate review is accomplished by the State Adjutant General without the involvement of a NGB hearing examiner. This appellate review involves a review by the State Adjutant General of all pertinent records including the reply(s) of the technician and any documents submitted with the appeal. In an administrative hearing, a NGB hearing examiner from another State will gather all available and relevant facts through the administrative hearing process. After the hearing process, the NGB hearing examiner will issue a report of findings and recommendations to the State Adjutant General. In either method of appeal the final decision on appeal is issued by the State Adjutant General. You can appeal by sending a written notice to the HRO specifying which method of appeal you request. This request must be postmarked no later than 20 days after the date of this letter, or emailed to the HRO no later than 20 days from the date of this letter. If a request for extension of this appeal period is requested, such request is directed to the State Adjutant General and must be received within the 20 day period, and the reasons for the request must be included. The State Adjutant General will decide if the requests for extension should be granted or not.
- 7. Your written request for an appellate review or administrative hearing must be received by the HRO (Attention: Labor Relations), 3423 N. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Lansing, MI 48906-2934 no later than 20 March 2014.

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Chief of Staff

I hereby certify hand delivery of this Original Decision Letter. My signing below is not agreement with the content, only acknowledgement that I have received a copy of it.

Renee K. Reed

Date

DOUGLAS FACTORS (checklist)

In Douglas, the Board made a distinction between the determinations whether any action should be taken and the determination of what is the appropriate penalty. To support taking any action there must be an adequate relationship or "nexus" between the misconduct and the efficiency of the service. To determine what penalty would then be appropriate the agency must consider all relevant factors (Douglas Factors) both mitigating and aggravating:

(1) The nature and seriousness of the offense, and its relation to the employee's duties, position and responsibilities, including whether the offense was intentional or technical or inadvertent, or was committed maliciously or for gain, or was frequently repeated;
χ (2) The employee's job level and type of employment, including supervisory or fiduciary role, contacts with the public, and prominence of the position;
X_ (3) The employee's past disciplinary record;
(4) The employee's past work record, including length of service, performance on the job, ability to get along with fellow workers, and dependability;
(5) The effect of the offense upon the employee's ability to perform at a satisfactory level and its effect upon the supervisor's confidence in the employee's ability to perform assigned duties;
$\underline{\mathbf{x}}$ (6) Consistency of the penalty with those imposed upon other employees for the same or similar offenses;
义(7) Consistency of the penalty with any applicable agency table of penalties;
(8) The notoriety of the offense or its impact upon the reputation of the agency;
(9) The clarity with which the employee was on notice of any rules that were violated in committing the offense, or had been warned about the conduct in question;
(10) Potential for the employee's rehabilitation;
(11) Mitigating circumstances surrounding the offense such as unusual job tension, personality problems, mental impairment, harassment, or bad faith, malice or provocation on the part of others involved in the matter; and
$\stackrel{\searrow}{\sim}$ (12) The adequacy and effectiveness of alternative sanctions to deter such conduct in the future by the employee or others.
I hereby certify that I have considered the twelve (12) Douglas factors as indicated above (with my initial next to each factor) for possible mitigation of the penalty. NAME Signature of Decision Official DATE 2,8 (Rb1)
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