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CNET INSTRUCTION 5420.3A

Subj: ARMED FORCES DISCIPLINARY CONTROL BOARDS

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 1620.2A  
(b) CNETINST 5400.2C

1. Purpose. To implement reference (a), providing for establishment and monitoring of the operations of Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Boards (AFDCBs).

2. Cancellation. CNETINST 5420.3

3. Background. AFDCBs are established in the Navy pursuant to reference (a). The mission of each board is to advise and make recommendations to commanders concerning the elimination of crime or other conditions which may negatively impact on the health, safety, morals, welfare, morale, or discipline of Armed Forces personnel and to ensure the establishment and maintenance of the highest degree of liaison and coordination between military commands and appropriate civil authorities. While these boards usually accomplish their objective by effective liaison and coordination with state and local governmental agencies, community businesses, and local civic organizations, sometimes this cannot be done and it becomes necessary for the military to resort to control of its own personnel. When this happens, the boards operate to ensure that private individuals and businesses are given proper notice and a fair hearing prior to the use of the "off-limits" sanction.

4. Action. Reference (a) will be implemented within the area for which the Chief of Naval Education and Training (CNET) has retained regional area coordination responsibility as follows:

a. The local area coordinators listed in subparagraphs 1201d.1a, b, d, f, and h of reference (b) shall assume the responsibilities of the "sponsoring commander" for the purpose of implementing reference (a). In this capacity they may either establish a board for their respective local area and support its functioning or coordinate Navy participation in a functioning board sponsored by another service in the same local area. (Copies of all implementing instructions or joint service agreements shall be provided to CNET (Code 00J).)

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b. The other local area coordinators listed in subparagraphs 1201d.1c, e, and g of reference (b) may either participate in boards operated by other services in the same local area or create such boards on an ad hoc basis as the need arises. Such

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local area boards may effect liaison, serve notices, and conduct hearings under reference (a) but should not attempt to place an establishment, place, or business "off-limits" without first consulting with a judge advocate.

c. Whenever a condition existing at a place or establishment adversely impacts upon members of activities in more than one local coordination area or is serious enough to require a report to the Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence, the recommendations or report shall be forwarded to CNET for appropriate action or endorsement. Otherwise, local area coordinators shall provide CNET with copies of minutes of AFDCB meetings and report serious problems as they arise.

d. Lists of off-limits establishments shall be widely promulgated to ensure that members of all services have timely notice of the imposition of that status.

e. Commanding officers shall initiate local board consideration of adverse situations within their area by timely reports of incidents and conditions.

f. As necessary, CNET will resolve disagreements between boards or commands.

  
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