

Navy Command Violating Their Own (Navy) Regulations

1. Command (NAPS) failed to comply with their own regulations (NAPSINST 1610.1G) during the appeal process following the Captain's Mast ruling.
 - a. 3.8 (a)(3) *A copy of the CO's memorandum and all enclosures WILL be provided to the Midshipman Candidate before the matter is forwarded to the Superintendent for review and action.*

NAPS Command failed to provide copies of documents before ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka submitted his appeal to Superintendent Buck at USNA. In fact, the legal officer stated in an email that Captain Bahr's communication to Superintendent Buck WILL NOT be available to ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka unless the appeal is submitted first.
 - b. 3.8 (b) *The Company Officer shall be responsible to ensure the Candidate is advised of all rights regarding their discharge from the NAPS Battalion.*

The legal officer failed to advise ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka of ANY of his rights regarding the discharge from NAPS. No such conversation took place, nor were any written instructions provided.
2. Superintendent Buck utilized false information to make a decision to deny the appeal of ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka. In a conversation with Master Chief Petty Officer Of The Navy (MCPON) Duane Bushey (retired), Superintendent Buck stated there were two reasons he denied the appeal: that the underage student in the incident went to the hospital and that ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka was not performing well in restriction. Both statements are false. MCPON Duane Bushey personally spoke to the underage student in the incident, who categorically denied going to the hospital. MCPON Duane Bushey also spoke to the direct supervisor of ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka, who praised ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka's work ethic as a great asset to the division. Even when confronted with the truth about these two underlying reasons for the denial, Superintendent Buck refused to reverse his decision and allow ETNSN Grant Hrdlicka admittance into the Naval Academy.