



**THE DEFENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
INVESTIGATION, PROSECUTION, AND DEFENSE OF
SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE ARMED FORCES**

June 20, 2017

Mr. Anthony Kurta
Performing the Duties of the
Under Secretary of Defense for
Personnel and Readiness
4000 Defense Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301-4000

Dear Mr. Kurta:

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Sincerely,

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Lieutenant General Flora D. Darpino
The Judge Advocate General
U.S. Army
2200 Army Pentagon
Washington, DC 20310-2200

Dear General Darpino:

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Lieutenant General Christopher F. Burne
The Judge Advocate General
HQ USAF/JA
1420 Air Force Pentagon
Washington, DC 20330-1420

Dear General Burne:

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Vice Admiral James W. Crawford, III
The Judge Advocate General of the Navy
1322 Patterson Avenue, SE, Suite 3000
Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

Dear Admiral Crawford:

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Major General John R. Ewers
Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant
Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps (JA)
3000 Marine Corps Pentagon, Room 4D558
Washington, DC 20350-3000

Dear General Ewers:

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Rear Admiral Steven J. Andersen
The Judge Advocate General
U.S. Coast Guard Douglas A. Munro Headquarters
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Washington, DC 20593-7213

Dear Admiral Andersen:

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