UNITED STATES AIR FORCE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

UNITED STATES

v.

Airman MICHAEL P. AZEVEDO United States Air Force

ACM 35634

16 December 2003

Sentence adjudged 16 May 2003 by GCM convened at Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma. Military Judge: Kurt D. Schuman (sitting alone).

Approved sentence: Bad-conduct discharge, confinement for 15 months, and reduction to E-1.

Appellate Counsel for Appellant: Colonel Beverly B. Knott, Major Terry L. McElyea, and Major Rachel E. VanLandingham.

Appellate Counsel for the United States: Colonel LeEllen Coacher.

Before

PRATT, MALLOY, and GRANT Appellate Military Judges

PER CURIAM:

We note that the formal entry of pleas in this case was decidedly inartful. Fortunately, the ensuing providence inquiry, the stipulation of fact, and the pretrial agreement fully clarify any ambiguity that may otherwise have arisen and remove any basis in law or fact for questioning the guilty pleas. *United States v. Prater*, 32 M.J. 433 (C.M.A. 1991).

The approved findings and sentence are correct in law and fact, and no error prejudicial to the substantial rights of the appellant occurred. Article 66(c), UCMJ, 10 U.S.C. § 866(c); *United States v. Reed*, 54 M.J. 37, 41 (C.A.A.F. 2000). Accordingly, the approved findings and sentence are

AFFIRMED.

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