UNITED STATES AIR FORCE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

UNITED STATES

v.

Airman Basic MATTHEW B. WARD United States Air Force

ACM 34917

4 March 2004

Sentence adjudged 5 October 2001 by GCM convened at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Military Judge: Patrick M. Rosenow (sitting alone).

Approved sentence: Dishonorable discharge, confinement for 9 months, and forfeiture of all pay and allowances.

Appellate Counsel for Appellant: Colonel Beverly B. Knott, Major Jefferson B. Brown, and Major Terry L. McElyea.

Appellate Counsel for the United States: Colonel LeEllen Coacher, Lieutenant Colonel Jennifer R. Rider, and Major Shannon J. Kennedy.

Before

BRESLIN, ORR, and GENT Appellate Military Judges

PER CURIAM:

We examined the record of trial, the assignment of errors, and the government's answer thereto, and concluded the approved findings and sentence are correct in law and fact, the sentence is appropriate, 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); *United States v. Birge*, 52 M.J. 209, 210-11 (C.A.A.F. 1999); *United States v.*

Kossman, 38 M.J. 258, 261 (C.M.A. 1993); United States v. Healy, 26 M.J. 394 (C.M.A. 1988). Accordingly, the approved findings and sentence are

AFFIRMED.

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