

# **Enclosure 7**

## SWORN STATEMENT

For use of this form, see AR 190-45; the proponent agency is PMG.

### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

<b>AUTHORITY:</b>	Title 10, USC Section 301; Title 5, USC Section 2951; E.O. 9397 Social Security Number (SSN).		
<b>PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:</b>	To document potential criminal activity involving the U.S. Army, and to allow Army officials to maintain discipline, law and order through investigation of complaints and incidents.		
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<b>DISCLOSURE:</b>	Disclosure of your SSN and other information is voluntary.		

1. LOCATION <i>Fort Bragg LEC</i>	2. DATE (YYYYMMDD) <i>20221214 AF</i>	3. TIME <i>0755 AF</i>	4. FILE NUMBER
5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME <i>Forbes, Michael J</i>	6. SSN <i>188 54 7907</i>	7. GRADE/STATUS <i>E-7/AC</i>	

8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS <i>528th Sustainment BDE Special Operations (ABN) (WJTDA)</i>
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*M1, N SFC Forces, Michael J.* WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

On 12 DEC 2022 @ N 0615 I WAS IN 528TH SB (SO)(S) (BN FORMATION) APPROXIMATELY MARKING LOT FEMENT AREA DIRECTLY BEHIND X-4047, NEW DAWN DA. AT BASE NC 28310, 156 MORGAN WAS PUTTING OUT INFORMATION TO THE ENTIRE BN PRESENT AT THAT TIME. UPON COMPLETION HE ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ANYTHING TO PUT OUT. GIVEN THE IDENTIFIED SMALL & LARGE ISSUES IDENTIFIED RECENTLY BY ME, THE APPORTED INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICE FOR THE BDE, I REQUESTED AND WAS GIVEN PERMISSION BY 156 TO FORWARD AND ADDRESS WHAT I SAID WAS TO COME FORWARD AND ADDRESS WHAT I SAID WAS A "COMMERCIAL" HE SAID, "COME ON UP!" I PROCEEDED TO THE FRONT OF THE FORMATION AND SAID "GOOD MORNING [EVERYONE]" AND NO ONE RESPONDED. I INFORMED THE BN THAT "PEDS CANNOT BE BROUGHT INTO OUR BUILDING (AS I POINTED AT OUR BDE HQ BUILDING). I KNOW I AM NOT THE MOST FAVORABLE PERSON BT NOW BUT THAT'S THE WAY IT IS. I PUT THIS OUT WITH POSTER SIGN ON THOSE ZOGS BUT SOMEONE TOOK THEM DOWN. WE CAN'T... THIS WHEN THE BN CSM (EMERAKA KWITE) CAME UP FROM BEHIND ME FROM THE RIGHT SIDE, PLACED (BOTH HANDS) ON MY SHOULDERS AND Began PUSHING ME BACK TOWARDS THE FORMATION SAYING "OK, SERGEANT MF"

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THE BOTTOM OF EACH ADDITIONAL PAGE MUST BEAR THE INITIALS OF THE PERSON MAKING THE STATEMENT, AND PAGE NUMBER MUST BE INDICATED.

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## 9. STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

ME FORBES, THAT'S ENOUGH." I WAS TRYING TO FINISH AND  
 WAS SAYING "INSTITUTIONALIZE THE USE OF PHONES IN  
 OUR BUILDING." I STOOD IN FORMATION AND SALUTED A  
 FLAG THAT DID NOT SOUND AS THAT TIME IMMEDIATELY  
 ROLLED UP MY APPAREL BACK IN FORMATION. HE PUSHED  
 ME, MANAULATED ME, ASSURED ME FOR A DISTANCE  
 OF OVER 10 FT WHICH RESULTED IN MEMBERS OF THE  
 FORMATION TO LAUGH AT ME WHICH FURTHER DISRUPTED  
 THE IMPORTANT NATIONAL SECURITY MESSAGE THAT I  
 AM APPOINTED TO PROMOTE PER USAGOC 25-2, PARA 2.  
 THIS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE I REQUESTED A WIRELESS DETECTION  
 SCAN THROUGH SPC 1G AND ANTICIPATE AN IMMEDIATE VISIT  
 THE ~~ME~~ PRIOR TO THIS EVENT, THURSDAY 8 DEC 2022 MY  
 OIC WAS NOTIFIED OF A SCAN OR "SWEEP." THE SWEEP WAS TO  
 OCCUR ON 9 DEC 2022. THE SWEEP RESULTED IN 2 CELL  
 PHONES FOUND IN THE BEX-4647 AND TWO WIRELESS SIGNALS  
 OUTSIDE THE SPC CAMPUS PER THE INSPECTORS DURING THE "SWEEP."  
 THE IMPORTANCE WAS FURTHER COMPROMISED BY THE POSITION OF  
 A PICTURE ON FACEBOOK OF (ON BDE FB PAGE) A TABLE  
 LOCATED IN OUR BN CLASSROOM DURING A HOLIDAY PARTY  
 CONDUCTED THE NIGHT OF 8 DEC 2022 IN WHICH 1-2 ADDED  
 ARE VISIBLE IN THE PICTURE WHICH IS NOT IN ACCORDANCE  
 WITH USAGOC 25-2, PARA 10-3. THE BDE CDR & CSM, AND OUR SPC,  
 THE CO. CDR (HHC) & 1SG MORGAN WERE DEPICTED IN OTHER PICS  
 AT THIS HOLIDAY PARTY. THE BN CDR & 1SG WERE IN THE  
 PICTURE WITH THE PHONES. THESE OCCURRENCES LIKELY CONSTITUTE  
 THE NEED FOR MORE PREVENTION MESSAGES AS TO THE  
 INFOSEC OFFICER. SI I ATTEMPTED TO ACCOMPLISH THAT  
 THE BDE FOR & CSM WERE PRESENT AT THIS FORMATION AND  
 HAD NOT OR DID NOT DO ANYTHING TO REMEDIATE OR FIX  
 CDR E'S ASSAULT TO THE TIME OF THIS STATEMENT. I AM  
 FILING AN EO TO APPALACHIAN TODAY. AFTER LATER THAT DAY  
 I WAS ORDERED TO CSM E'S OFFICE IN 1SG MORGAN PRESENT  
 WITHIN THE EVENT ORIGINATOR CONTINUING IN WHICH  
 I WAS NOTIFIED "IN THE EVENT OF"

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## B. STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

IF THAT YOU NOTIFY SOMEONE OUT OF COMPLIANCE, REPORT THEM TO YOUR OIC. DO NOT CONCERN THEM. THIS DOES NOT PERMIT ME TO SUPPORT USASCC 25-2 OR AR 380-5 OR ANY OF THE MANY PORTANT REGULATIONS OR POLICIES THAT SUPPORT OUR NATIONAL SECURITY OR COMPLIANCE SUITABILITY PROGRAMS. I WONT BE TO REPORT THIS ON MONDAY 12 DEC 2022.

PRIOR TO THIS, ON TUESDAY, 6 DEC 2022, THE CSM E AND I HAD A DISCUSSION ABOUT MY ~~NO INFO~~ PROGRAMS AND HE ASKED ME OUR COACH AGAIN WHY DIDNT YOU NOTIFY THE BOE COR ABOUT THE COACH ENCOURAGING PAINES ~~DATA~~ IN OUR BUILDING. TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF OUR UPCOMING "SWEEP" I COULD NOT DIVULGE TO THE CSM E THAT A SWEEP WAS COMING. HE TOLD ME I SHOULD HAVE DISCUSSED THIS WITH THE BOE COR. TO SATISFY HIS CONCERN I TOLD HIM I WOULD CONSIDER THEM AND, EVEN THOUGH I CANT GO BACK IN TIME I WILL NOTIFY ALL GUYS FORWARDED. I HUNG THE SIGNS ON THE DOOR (AND GAVE INSTRUCTION) ~~THRO~~ ON THE EXTENSION DOORS. THIS WAY THE BOE COR'S ALL GUYS ARE AWARE OF MY PREVIOUS EVENTS.

LAST YESTERDAY @ 11030 I REALIZED THAT FOOTAGE OF THE INCIDENT WAS MISSING FROM 3 MOTION PICTURE CAMERAS IN OUR C-CURE 8000 SYSTEM. THIS ASSAULT WAS LIKELY ERASED.

NOTE: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE COMMANDER'S SIGNATURE BY BOTH CSM E AND ME, THE CSM DISMISSED 1SG MORSEON AS HE REACHED FOR THE DOOR. I REQUESTED HE STAY TO ~~ME~~ MY NEXT COMMENT. I SAID, "CSM, THIS MORNING, AT FORMATION, WHEN YOU CAME UP FROM BEHIND ME, PLACED BOTH OF YOUR HANDS ON BOTH OF MY SHOULDERS AND PUSHED ME BACK INTO FORMATION, THIS MADE ME UNCOMFORTABLE. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT YOU NEVER TOUCH ME AGAIN UNLESS I DISPLAY BEHAVIOR THAT COULD INDICATE I AM SUICIDAL OR VIOLENT, WHICH I AM NOT." HE APOLOGIZED. MF

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B. STATEMENT (Continued)

NP. ON 13 DEC 2022, AS I WAS WALKING IN THE BUILDING MY CAC CARD DID NOT WORK AT 2 OF THE BACK DOORS. INTERESTINGLY, CSM E CAME WALKING IN. I WAS NERVOUS AS HE APPROACHED BUT INFORMED HIM I COULD GET IN AND REOPEN WALKING TOWARDS HIM TO ENSURE THE ACTUATION OF THE CAMERAS BEHIND BOTH DOORS (CAMM & BN ~~2022~~ SUITE). I FOLLOWED HIM IN AND IMMEDIATELY GOT UPSTAIRS. I DO NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE TO BE ALONE w/ HIM BECAUSE HE WAS BOLD ENOUGH FOR THIS UNPROTECTED ASSAULT IN FRONT OF EVERYONE. THIS IS COUNTERRPROACTIVE (TOXIC) BEHAVIOR AND MUST BE STOPPED. MP

Q: PFC Starr

A: SFC FORBES

Q: In detail how did the CSM "put his hands on you"?

A: AS I DEPICTED IN THE STATEMENT ABOVE.

Q: What is the BN CSM's contact information?

A: HE IS THE SPECIAL TROOPS BN CSM OF 528TH SB(S) (AD); I DON'T HAVE HIS CONTACT INFORMATION ON MY PERSON AT THIS TIME.

Q: Would you like to add anything to this statement?

A: YES. SOMEONE SHOULD HELP ME PRESERVE OR RETRIEVE THE CAMERA FOOTAGE DEPICTING THIS EVENT.

Q: Would you like to add anything else to this statement?

A: NO. //End of Statement// NC

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SFC FORBES, Michael J.

TAKEN AT

Fort Bragg  
NC

DATED 20221214

## 9. STATEMENT (Continued)

I, SFC Forbes, Michael J., HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1, AND ENDS ON PAGE 5. I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ENTIRE STATEMENT MADE BY ME. THE STATEMENT IS TRUE. I HAVE INITIALED ALL CORRECTIONS AND HAVE INITIALED THE BOTTOM OF EACH PAGE CONTAINING THE STATEMENT. I HAVE MADE THIS STATEMENT FREELY WITHOUT HOPE OF BENEFIT OR REWARD, WITHOUT THREAT OF PUNISHMENT, AND WITHOUT COERCION, UNLAWFUL INFLUENCE, OR UNLAWFUL INDUCEMENT.

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(Signature of Person Making Statement)

## WITNESSES:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 14 day of December, 2022 at Fort Bragg, NC, 28310

Dennis L. Dees Jr.

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

## ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

Starr, Dees, Jr.

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

## ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

Article 136 (b)(4) UCMJ

(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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