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**POISONOUS TREE**

in the



**MILITARY**





Sir, let's go plant a DEI tree!

Okay, Doc...! Do we have to prepare anything?

No Sir.... I'm a trained professional.

Sure... let's do it!

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BDE CDR

DEI TREE SEEDS





I better get some help! I gotta call IG.

Ma'am, did you bring the statutory items to protect the Soldiers from possibly eating poisonous fruit from this DEI tree.

Why are you asking that Sergeant? Why? Why?

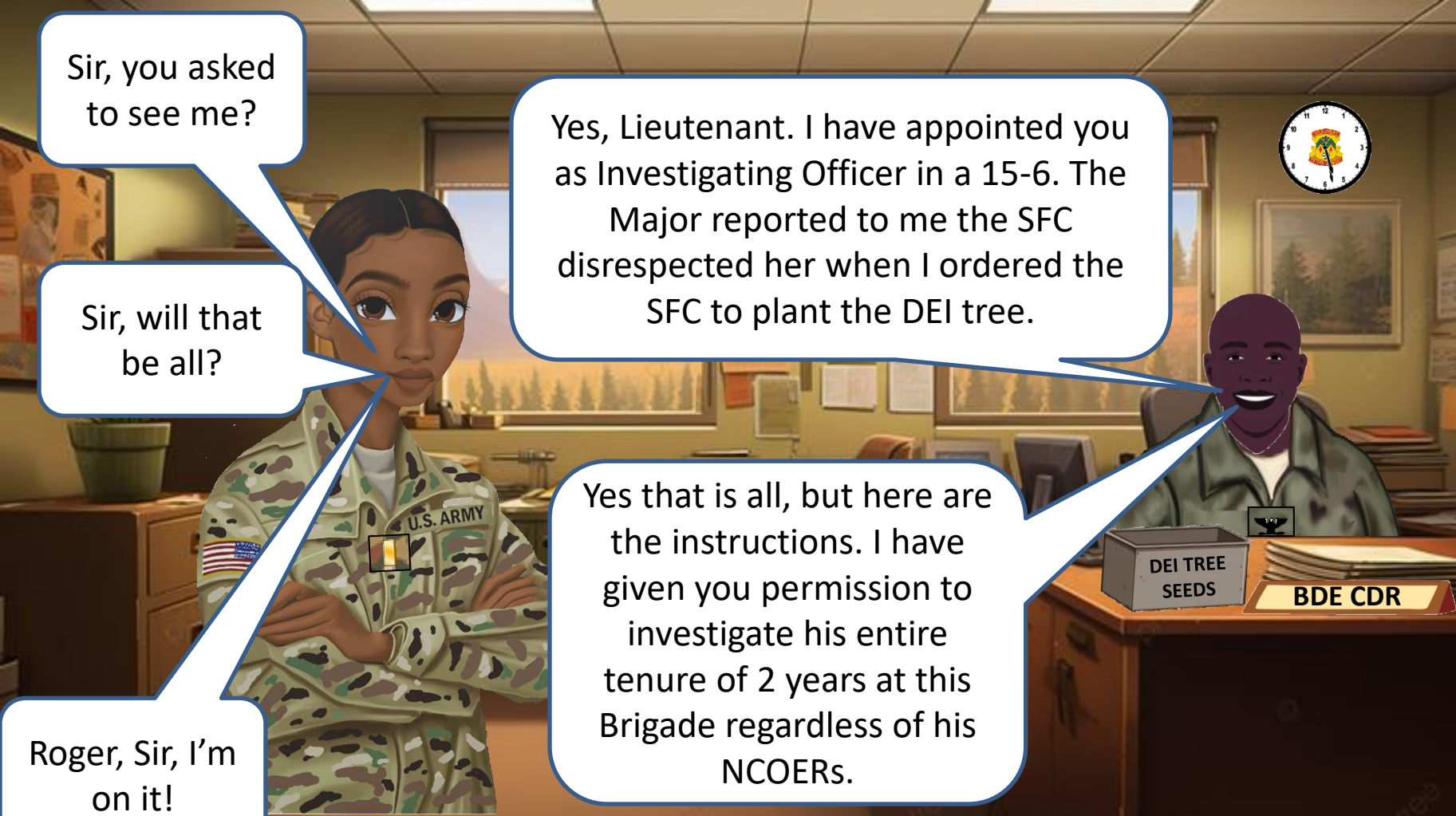
Sir! I am glad you arrived. This SFC is questioning me disrespectfully!

Sergeant First Class, is this the hill you want to die on?

SDI 2.0

DEI





Sir, you asked to see me?

Sir, will that be all?

Yes, Lieutenant. I have appointed you as Investigating Officer in a 15-6. The Major reported to me the SFC disrespected her when I ordered the SFC to plant the DEI tree.

Yes that is all, but here are the instructions. I have given you permission to investigate his entire tenure of 2 years at this Brigade regardless of his NCOERs.

Roger, Sir, I'm on it!

And nearly 6 weeks later, ....

Sir, thank you for seeing me. I have completed the investigation you asked for?

Well, Sir... I found the SFC disrespected the Major when he questioned your order to plant the DEI tree because, after all, ... she said so! And that's not all. I found him "counterproductive" as there were complaints of blackmail, racism, trans-phobia and thievery....

Yes, Lieutenant. What did you find?

Oh, I couldn't help but notice on the way in, your tree has borne a lot of fruit.

Excellent work, Lieutenant. I'll take it from here.

Roger Sir. Glad I could help. Have a nice day!

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BDE CDR



**BDE CDR**

Sir. We have a SFC that we found didn't want to plant or help grow our DEI tree and we investigated him but we may have violated the Privacy Act and the MWPA?!?

### MWPA

#### Affirmative Defense:

(C) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to limit the ability of a commander to consult with a superior in the chain of command, an [inspector general](#), or a judge advocate general on the disposition of a complaint against a member of the armed forces for an allegation of collateral misconduct or for a matter unrelated to a protected communication. Such consultation shall provide an affirmative defense against an allegation that a member requested, directed, initiated, or conducted a [retaliatory investigation](#) under this section.



Don't worry about it. That SFC is the one that reported to IG that one of your CSMs assaulted him; we will investigate him. Just make sure your Co. CDRs aren't painting skulls on walls and making Soldier's cut grass with scissors.



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MEMORANDUM FOR SFC Michael Forbes, Headquarters and Headquarters Company,  
528th Special Troops Battalion (Special Operations) (Airborne), 528th Sustainment Brigade  
(Special Operations) (Airborne) Fort Bragg, North Carolina 28310

SUBJECT: General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand

1. You are hereby reprimanded for being disrespectful in language and deportment towards a Field Grade officer and for engaging in counterproductive leadership. On 30 November 2022, you were disrespectful in language and deportment during a conversation with a senior commissioned officer, by raising your voice at her and talking over her. Also, during your time as Brigade S2 NCOIC, you engaged in counterproductive leadership by being quick to anger, erratic, disrespectful, and by failing to take accountability for your mistakes.

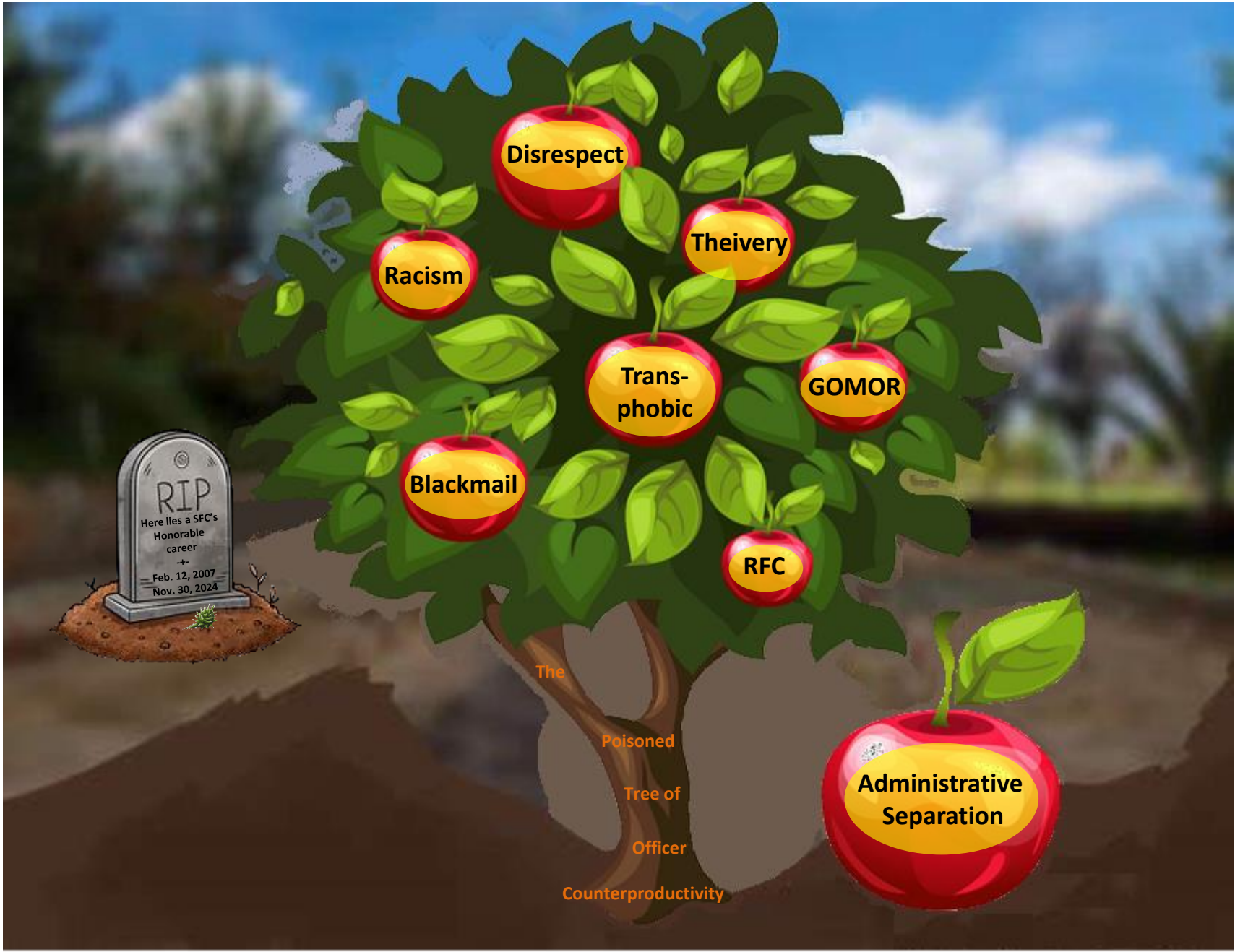
2. Your behavior in these matters demonstrates a complete lack of judgment and responsibility. You have discredited yourself, the 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne), and the United States Army. Your conduct constitutes a serious departure from the high standards of integrity and professionalism expected of a Soldier in this command. Your behavior in this matter cannot, and will not, be tolerated, and I forbid me to excusively consider your suitability for continued service as a Soldier in the United States Army.

This reprimand is administrative in nature and is not imposed as punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. I have enclosed the information upon which I based this reprimand. You are advised that in accordance with Army Regulation 600-37, paragraph 3-5b, I am considering whether to direct this reprimand be filed permanently in your Army Military Human Resources Record. You will immediately acknowledge receipt of this reprimand in writing. You may submit a written rebuttal to this reprimand and should include any other documents or statements you would like me to consider. You have seven (7) days to submit any matters you wish me to consider through your chain of command. Prior to making my filing decision, I will consider any matters you submit in extenuation, mitigation, or rebuttal. I will notify you in writing of the final filing decision.

  
LAWRENCE G. FERGUSON  
Brigadier General, USA  
Deputy Commanding General

Holy Shit! The Officer's violated the Privacy Act as well as the MWPA and I am the one that gets Separated from Service 2 months and 11 days before I can drop my retirement packet????

RFC



**Disrespect**

**Racism**

**Theivery**

**Trans-phobic**

**GOMOR**

**Blackmail**

**RFC**

**Administrative Separation**

**RIP**  
Here lies a SFC's  
Honorable  
career  
+  
Feb. 12, 2007  
Nov. 30, 2024

The  
Poisoned  
Tree of  
Officer  
Counterproductivity