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MEMORANDUM FOR Lieutenant General (Retired) William G. Boykin, (b) (6)

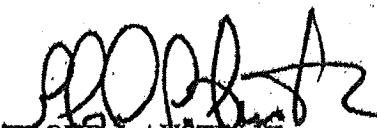
SUBJECT: Memorandum of Reprimand

1. On 7 February 2012, the United States Army Criminal Investigation Command completed Report of Investigation (ROI) No. 0009-09-CID201-56045-5Y2b5/5Y2b/5Y2G [hereinafter, ROI No. 0009-09] and substantiated that you committed the following offenses: (1) wrongful disclosure of classified information, and (2) conduct prejudicial to good order and discipline in the armed forces. Your conduct violated 18 U.S.C. § 793(d) and Article 134, Uniform Code of Military Justice. You are hereby reprimanded.

2. ROI No. 0009-09 established probable cause to believe that you authored the book titled "*Never Surrender: A Soldier's Journey to the Crossroads of Faith and Freedom*" and failed to have a Department of Defense (DoD) security review completed prior to the book's publication. A subsequent review of the book, by multiple government agencies, revealed that the book disclosed classified information concerning cover methods, counterterrorism/counter-proliferation operations, operational deployments, infiltration methods, pictures, and tactics, techniques, and procedures that may compromise ongoing operations. The investigation further established that you were advised prior to your retirement by a representative of the DoD General Counsel's office to obtain a classification review before the book's publication.

3. As a former senior leader of the United States Army, you are expected to set and exemplify the highest professional and ethical standards. Your decision to disregard legal advice and allow "*Never Surrender: A Soldier's Journey to the Crossroads of Faith and Freedom*" to be published without seeking a classification review reflects a gross lack of judgment. Furthermore, your decision was prejudicial to good order and discipline in the armed forces. Your unprofessional behavior violated the Army Values and reflects poorly on your character. I trust that this reprimand will impress upon you the seriousness of your misconduct.

4. This reprimand is an administrative action and is not punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. I intend to file this reprimand permanently in your official military personnel file. I will, however, consider any matters you submit before making my final filing decision. Within 14 days of receipt of this memorandum, submit any matters you deem appropriate to me through the Office of The Judge Advocate General, Administrative Law Division (ATTN: (b) (6)) 2200 Army Pentagon, Washington DC 20310-2200. Submissions may also be faxed to (571) 256-2941. A copy of the unclassified summary of ROI No. 0009-09 will be forwarded to you separately. Please contact Mr. Ronald Buchholz at (b) (6) or (b) (6) if you wish to view ROI No. 0009-09 in its entirety.

  
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