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DESIGNATION OF SUPERIOR COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

Summary. This regulation further designates the superior competent authorities within U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) for courts-martial, nonjudicial punishment, administrative boards, relief reports, investigations, and reports of survey.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all TRADOC centers, schools, and activities.

Supplementation. Supplementation is authorized. Send one copy of the supplement to Commander, TRADOC, 11 Bernard Road, ATTN: ATJA, Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1001.

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Chapter 1
Introduction

1-1. Purpose. This regulation designates the superior competent authorities within TRADOC centers, schools, and activities for Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) and administrative actions.

1-2. References. Appendix A contains the required and related publications.

1-3. Explanation of abbreviations and terms. The glossary contains abbreviations and special terms used in this regulation.

1-4. Responsibilities. Commanders of TRADOC centers, schools, and activities will ensure that matters covered by this regulation are forwarded to the appropriate authorities.

Chapter 2
Superior Competent Authorities

2-1. General.

a. This chapter designates the Commander, Combined Arms Center (CAC), Commander, U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM), and Commander, U.S. Army Accessions Command (USAAC) as superior competent authorities. The Commander CAC, CASCOM, or USAAC may act as the first level of authority above a subordinate TRADOC commander for UCMJ and administrative purposes, as outlined in paragraph 2-2 below.

b. The intent of creating intermediate commands is to allow those actions not requiring the decision of the Army Command commander to be resolved by an intermediate commander for action. Nothing in this regulation prohibits coordination between intermediate commands and the Army Command headquarters through command or staff channels or creates any right of review or action by any level of command that does not already exist.

2-2. Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) and other administrative actions.

a. UCMJ. In cases and actions (including complaints made under Article 138, UCMJ) involving personnel assigned or attached to a TRADOC center, school, or activity requiring action by a TRADOC commander superior to the immediate TRADOC General Courts-Martial Convening Authority (GCMCA), will be referred to the commander of CAC or CASCOM as set

forth in figure 2-1 ("superior commander" as used in the Manual for Courts-Martial). The Commander, CAC or CASCOM, may refer the matter to an aligned TRADOC GCMCA in cases that do not require the personal action of the superior commander.

<u>Combined Arms Center (Leavenworth)</u>	<u>Combined Arms Support Command (Lee)</u>
Infantry Center (Benning)	Quartermaster Center (Lee)
Armor Center(Knox) Air Defense Center (Bliss)	Army Training Center (Jackson)*
Artillery Center (Sill) Aviation Center (Rucker)	Transportation Center (Eustis)
Signal Center (Gordon)	
Maneuver Support Center (Leonard Wood)	
Intelligence Center (Huachuca)	
Combined Arms Center (Leavenworth)	
Defense Language Institute (Presidio of Monterey)	
<p>Note: The superior competent authorities for Fort Monroe* and Carlisle Barracks are the GCMCAs to which they are attached, i.e., the GCMCA at Forts Eustis and Meade, respectively.</p> <p>*Only for actions requiring a court-martial convening authority.</p>	

Figure 2-1. Alignment for TRADOC centers, schools, and activities by installation location.

b. Nonjudicial punishment.

(1) The Commander, CAC or CASCOM, will act on an appeal of punishment involving personnel assigned or attached to an aligned TRADOC center, school, or activity imposed by a TRADOC GCMCA under Article 15, UCMJ (see fig 2-1).

(2) The Commander, USAAC, will act on an appeal of punishment imposed by Commander, U.S. Army Cadet Command (USACC), U.S. Army Recruiting Command (USAREC), or U.S. Army Training Center and Fort Jackson.

(3) The Commander, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, will act on an appeal of punishment imposed by the Commander, U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School.

c. Administrative boards.

(1) When a General Officer Show Cause Authority (GOSCA) of a TRADOC center, school, or activity aligned under CAC or CASCOM is disqualified from appointing a board of inquiry under provisions of under the provision of (UP) Army Regulation (AR) 600-8-24, or convening an administrative separation board UP AR 635-200, the commander shall forward the case directly to the Commander, CAC or CASCOM, respectively (see fig 2-1). The Commander, CAC or CASCOM, may refer the matter to an aligned TRADOC GOSCA in cases that do not require the personal action of the superior commander.

(2) When the Commander, USACC, USAREC, U.S. Army Training Center and Fort Jackson, is disqualified from appointing a board of inquiry UP AR 600-8-24, or convening an administrative separation board UP AR 635-200, the commander shall forward the case directly to Commander, USAAC. The Commander, USAAC, may refer the matter to a subordinate GOSCA in cases that do not require the personal action of the superior commander.

d. Relief reports. In cases where a TRADOC GCMCA or the Commander, USACC, directs relief of an officer, the Commander, TRADOC, will provide the required review of the officer relief-for-cause evaluation report. The relief report will not be sent to CAC, CASCOM, or USAAC for review.

e. Investigations.

(1) In cases where a TRADOC GCMCA aligned under CAC or CASCOM is disqualified from appointing an investigating officer or board UP AR 15-6 for conduct involving assigned or attached personnel, the GCMCA shall forward the case directly to the Commander, CAC or CASCOM, respectively (see fig 2-1). The Commander, CAC or CASCOM, may refer the matter to an aligned TRADOC GCMCA in cases that do not require the personal action of the superior commander.

(2) When the Commander, USACC, Commander, USAREC, or Commander, U.S. Army Training Center and Fort Jackson, is disqualified from appointing an investigating officer or board UP AR 15-6 for conduct involving assigned or attached personnel, the commander shall forward the case directly to the Commander, USAAC.

f. Financial liability investigations. In cases where a TRADOC GCMCA aligned under CAC or CASCOM is the approving authority for a financial liability investigation UP AR 735-5, the Commander, TRADOC, will act as the appeal authority.

g. Other. Other administrative actions that require action by the Army Command commander will be forwarded to Commander, TRADOC.

Appendix A

References

Section I
Required Publications

AR 15-6
Procedures for Investigating Officers and Boards of Officers

AR 600-8-24
Officer Transfers and Discharges

AR 635-200
Enlisted Personnel

AR 735-5
Policies and Procedures for Property Accountability

Section II
Related Publications

AR 27-10
Military Justice

AR 623-105
Officer Evaluation Reporting System

Manual for Courts-Martial

Article 15, Uniform Code of Military Justice

Glossary

AR	Army Regulation
CAC	Combined Arms Center
CASCOM	Combined Arms Support Command
GCMCA	General Court-Martial Convening Authority
GOSCA	General Officer Show Cause Authority
TRADOC	U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command
UCMJ	Uniform Code of Military Justice
UP	under the provisions of
USAAC	United States Army Accessions Command

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USACC United States Army Cadet Command

USAREC United States Army Recruiting Command

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