

SWORN STATEMENT

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

AUTHORITY: Title 10, USC Section 301; Title 5, USC Section 2951; E.O. 9397 Social Security Number (SSN).
PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: 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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DISCLOSURE: Disclosure of your SSN and other information is voluntary.

1. LOCATION FOB BOSTICK, AFGHANISTAN	2. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 2009/10/20	3. TIME 1900	4. FILE NUMBER
5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME (b)(3), (b)(6)	6. SSN (b)(3), (b)(6)	7. GRADE/STATUS E4/ AD	
8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS TRP B, 3RD SQN-61ST CAV REGT, 4IBCT-4ID, APO AE 09354			

9. I, SPC (b)(3), (b)(6), WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

1. WHAT IS YOUR DUTY POSITION?
I AM A 68W, TRAUMA SPECIALIST.

2. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN THE ARMY? HOW LONG IN COUNTRY FOR THIS DEPLOYMENT?
I HAVE BEEN IN THE ARMY 21 MONTHS, AND 5 MONTHS IN AFGHANISTAN.

3. DO YOU HAVE PRIOR COMBAT DEPLOYMENTS? IF SO, WHEN AND WHERE?
NO, THIS IS MY FIRST DEPLOYMENT.

4. WHERE WAS YOUR BATTLE POSITION ON 3 OCTOBER 2009 AT COP KEATING?
MY BATTLE POSITION WAS THE AID STATION (B-4).

5. WHAT WERE YOUR ACTIONS DURING THE FIGHT?
I WOKE UP AT APROXIMATELY 0600 IN THE (b)(2) High PLATOON BARRACKS (B-5) AS A RESULT OF AN EXPLOSION AND SMALL ARMS FIRE (SAF). IMMEDIATELY I GOT OUT OF BED AND PUT MY GEAR ON. I THEN GRABBED MY WEAPON AND RAN OUT THE DOOR. FROM B-5, I RAN THROUGH HEAVY SAF TO B-4. WHEN I ARRIVED AT B-4, I, ALONG WITH THE REST OF THE MEDICAL TEAM, BEGAN PREPARATIONS TO TAKE ON CASUALTIES. AT THIS TIME SSG (b)(3), (b)(6) (b)(3), (b)(6) RAN TO THE SHURA BLDG (B-1) TO RENDER AID TO AND RETRIEVE A CASUALTY. AT THIS TIME, WHILE SSG (b)(3), (b)(6) WAS GONE. THE B-4 WAS HIT WITH AN RPG. SHRAPNEL CAME INTO B-4 HITTING SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) (b)(3), (b)(6) SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) AND MYSELF. THE WOUNDS ON SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) AND I WERE MINOR BUT SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) HAS A LARGE LACERATION TO HIS LOWER LEG. I WENT TO HIM AND BANDAGED HIM TO STOP HIS BLEEDING. AFTER THIS, SSG (b)(3), (b)(6) RETURNED WITH SGT JOSHUA J. KIRK WHO HAD TAKEN SHRAPNEL TO THE BACK OF HIS HEAD AND NECK. WE WORKED ON HIM UNTIL NO FURTHER CARE COULD BE GIVEN BECAUSE HE WAS DEAD. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) AND I TOOK SGT KIRK TO A BACK ROOM IN THE AID STATION AND PUT HIM IN A BODY BAG. AT THIS TIME, A FEW AFGAN NATIONAL ARMY (ANA) SOLDIERS HAD COME IN WITH VARIOUS WOUNDS. WE BEGAN TREATING THEM ALL INDIVIDUALLY. THEIR WOUNDS CONSISTED OF GUNSHOT WOUNDS (GSW) AND SHRAPNEL WOUNDS. WOUNDS WERE ON VARIOUS PLACES ALL OVER THEIR BODIES. THIS IS WHEN SGT MICHAEL P. SCUSA WAS BROUGHT IN. HE HAD A LARGE HOLE IN HIS NECK FROM A GSW. SGT SCUSA WAS DEAD WHEN HE WAS BROUGHT IN TO US. THIS IS WHEN MORE ANA SOLDIERS BEGAN COMING IN. ONE OF THEM HAD AN ABDOMINAL EVISCERATION. HE WAS BANDAGED AND PUT IN A BACK ROOM WHERE WE STARTED PUTTING MORE, LESS SEVERE, CASUALTIES. WE HAD HIM LAY ON HIS BACK TO PREVENT FURTHER INJURY TO HIS

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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.

STATEMENT OF SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) _____ TAKEN AT 1900 DATED 2009/10/20

9. STATEMENT (Continued)

WOUND. THEN ANOTHER ANA SOLDIER CAME IN WITH A GSW TO HIS THIGH. WE PUT HIM ON THE BED AND I PUT A TOURNIQUET ON HIS LEG TO STOP HIS BLEEDING THEN WE BANDAGED HIS WOUND WITH A PRESSURE DRESSING. THEN, A COUPLE US SOLDIERS CAME IN WITH WOUNDS. SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) CAME IN BUT I DID NOT SEE HIS WOUNDS. SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) CAME IN AND WAS TREATED FOR A LARGE LACERATION ON HIS LEFT SHOULDER SECONDARY TO A GSW. HE ALSO HAD SMALLER WOUNDS IN HIS SHOULDER. AT THIS TIME I WENT OUTSIDE TO THE PORCH ON THE SIDE OF B-4 TO TREAT WOUNDS ON THE COOK FOR THE ANA. WHEN I CAME BACK INTO B-4, I PICKED UP A KEVLAR THAT WAS LAYING ON THE FLOOR. IT WAS SGT CHRISTOPHER T. GRIFFIN'S KEVLAR. HE WAS BROUGHT INTO B-4 WHILE I WAS OUTSIDE. WHEN HE WAS BROUGHT IN HE WAS ALREADY DEAD. THEN SPC STEPHAN L. MACE WAS BROUGHT INTO US. SPC MACE HAD MULTIPLE WOUNDS INCLUDING A GSW TO HIS LOWER ABDOMIN WHICH SHATTERED HIS PELVIS, A GSW TO HIS LEFT THIGH AND AN OPEN FRACTURE TO HIS LOWER LEFT TIBIA AND FIBULA. WHEN SPC MACE WAS BROUGHT IN WE PUT HIM ON THE BED AND IMMEDIATELY BEGAN STRIPPING HIM OF HIS CLOTHES. WE FOUND THAT A TOURNIQUET HAD ALREADY BEEN PLACED ON HIS UPPER LEFT LEG AND HIS LOWER LEFT LEG HAD BEEN SPLINTED WITH A STICK AND MEDICAL TAPE. WHEN WE WERE TAKING HIS CLOTHES OFF WE PLACED AN ADDITIONAL TOURNIQUET ABOVE THE ONE THAT WAS ALREADY ON AND TOOK THE ORIGINAL ONE OFF. WE DID THIS SO WE COULD HAVE ONE ON HIS SKIN TO AVOID IT FROM SLIPPING OR COMING LOSE. WE ALSO TOOK OF THE ORIGINAL SPLINT. THEN WE DRESSED HIS WOUND AND SECURED IT WITH A SAM SPLINT AND ACE WRAP. FROM HERE WE TRIED TO GET IV ACCESS ON SPC MACE. BECAUSE OF HIS MASSIVE BLOOD LOSS, WE COULD NOT GET A CATHETER IN HIM TO GIVE HIM FLUIDS. WE TRIED MULTIPLE SIGHTS FOR IV ACCESS SUCH AS HIS ARMS, PELVIS AND NECK. THEN WE GAVE HIM A FAST 1 WHICH IS A NEEDLE THAT GOES INTO THE PATIENTS STERNUM IN ORDER TO RUN FLUIDS TO A PATIENT. WE GOT THE FAST 1 IN BUT IT WOULD NOT FLOW ADEQUATELY SO WE DID AN EASY IO WHICH IS A NEEDLE STUCK INTO THE TIBIA IN ORDER TO RUN FLUIDS TO A PATIENT. WE DID THAT ON HIS RIGHT UPPER TIBIA. WITH THIS WE WERE ABLE TO GET A VERY SLOW FLUID DRIP BUT IT WASN'T ENOUGH SO WE KEPT TRYING TO GET ACCESS TO HIS VEINS. SSG (b)(3),(b)(6) WAS ABLE TO GET A CATHETER IN HIS ARM AND FLUIDS WERE STARTED. WE REALIZED THAT SPC MACE WAS GOING TO NEED MORE THAN FLUIDS SO WE BEGAN TO THINK OF WHAT WE COULD DO. WE REALIZED WE HAD SOME ANTI-COAGULANT KITS OUTSIDE. THOSE ARE KITS THAT ARE USED TO DRAW BLOOD FROM ONE PERSON AND GIVE IT TO ANOTHER PERSON. SPC MACE WAS A POSSITIVE BLOOD TYPE AND SO AM I SO I VOLUNTEERED TO BE THE FIRST TO GIVE BLOOD. WHILE WE WERE TRYING TO GIVE SPC MACE WHOLE BLOOD, HE PULLED HIS IV OUT. SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) DECIDED TO TRY TO STICK SPC MACE IN HIS EXTERNAL JUGULAR (EJ) VEIN WHICH IS IN THE NECK. THE IV STICK WAS SUCCESSFUL SO WE BEGAN PUMPING BLOOD INTO SPC MACE. WE THEN DREW BLOOD FROM OTHER PEOPLE WHO SHARED THE SAME A POSSITIVE BLOOD TYPE SUCH AS SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) AND A FEW OTHERS. WE THEN TOOK TURNS SITTING WITH SPC MACE UNTIL THE MED-EVAC WAS ABLE TO GET TO US. A FIRE HAD STARTED IN THE ANA SIDE OF THE COP AND SPREAD TO B-5 AND THE TOC (T-3). FEARING THAT THE FIRE WOULD SPREAD TO B-4, CAMO NETTING WAS CUT DOWN AND ALSO A TREE WAS CUT DOWN WITH A CHAINSAW. WHILE THE TREE WAS BEING CUT DOWN, WE MADE ALL THE ANA WALKING WOUNDED TO TO THE MAHQMOOD BARRACKS (B-22). WE GOT ALL OF OUR LITTER PATIENTS PREPARED FOR TRANSPORTATION IN THE EVENT THAT A-4 DID CATCH FIRE. LUCKILY, THE TREE WAS SUCCESSFULLY CUT DOWN AND B-4 DID NOT CATCH FIRE. THE REST OF THE TIME BEFORE THE MED-EVAC CAME WAS SPENT RE-EVALUATING OUR LITER PATIENTS, CHECKING THEIR VITALS AND GIVING THEM MEDICATIONS IF THEY NEEDED THEM. WHEN THE MED-EVAC CAME, I STAYED IN B-4 AND IMMEDIATELY BEGAN CLEANING AND RE-STOCKING SUPPLIES IN PREPARATION FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF MORE CASUALTIES. AFTER THE MED-EVAC HELICOPTERS HAD ALL LEFT, WE CONTINUED CLEANING AND RE-STOCKING UNTIL WE WERE DONE. THEN WE JUST SAT AND WAITED.

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9. STATEMENT (Continued)

6. WHAT VULNERABILITIES DID YOU SEE OR FEEL AT COP KEATING?
COP KEATING WAS IN THE BOTTOM OF A VALLEY WITH TALL MOUNTAINS SURROUNDING IT. OUR ENEMY HAD THE ADVANTAGE OF ELEVATION WHICH ALLOWED THEM TO WATCH EVERY MOVE WE MADE AND ALSO ALLOWED FOR EASY TARGET RECOGNITION SO THEY COULD SHOOT AT US MORE EASILY. ALSO, OUR PERIMETER WAS NOTHING MORE THAN CONSTATINA WIRE AROUND MOST OF THE COP. THIS MADE IT EASY FOR THE ENEMY TO INFILTRATE INTO THE COP.

7. WHAT WAS FIRST ENEMY ACTION YOU SAW? WHERE WERE YOU, AND WHERE DID YOU MOVE?
I NEVER SAW ANY ENEMY ACTION. I ONLY HEARD EVERYTHING. I REMAINED IN B-4 THE ENTIRE TIME.

8. WAS ANYONE NEAR YOU WOUNDED OR KILLED? WHO, AND WHAT WAS THE NATURE OF INJURIES? WHAT UNIFORM WAS THE SOLDIER WEARING AND WAS THE SOLDIER WEARING HIS FULL BATTLE GEARS?
AN RPG HIT THE DOOR OF B-4 WHICH SENT SHRAPNEL INTO THE AID STATION HITTING SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) IN THE NECK, CHEST AND EAR. ALL OF HIS INJURIES WERE MINOR AND NEEDED NO IMMEDIATE TREATMENT. SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) WAS WEARING PT SHORTS, PT SHIRT, TENNIS SHOES AND HIS FULL GEAR. SP (b)(3), (b)(6) WAS ALSO HIT WITH SHRAPNEL. HE RECEIVED A LARGE LACERATION TO HIS LOWER LEG. HIS VEST WAS ALSO HIT WHICH BROKE 2 OF HIS MAGAZINES. SP (b)(3), (b)(6) WAS EVACUATED THAT NIGHT AS A WALKING WOUNDED PATIENT. I DO NOT REMEMBER WHAT HE WAS WEARING BUT I DO KNOW HE WAS WEARING HIS FULL GEAR. I WAS ALSO HIT BY SHRAPNEL IN THE RIGHT ARMPIT. MY WOUNDS WERE VERY MINOR AND NEEDED NO IMMEDIATE TREATMENT. I WAS WEARING PT SHORTS, TAN T-SHIRT, TENNIS SHOES AND FULL GEAR.

9. DID YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH THE ANA? HOW EFFECTIVE WAS THE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH ASSIGNED ANA/ANP ELEMENTS?
I ONLY TREATED ANA SOLDIERS. I DID NOT SEE ANY OF THEM FIGHTING THOUGH.

10. DID YOU INTERACT WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY? HOW WERE YOU RECEIVED BY THE LOCALS?
I DID NOT INTERACT WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AT ALL.

11. DID YOU EXPERIENCE ANY WEAPON SYSTEM FAILURE DURING THE INCIDENT?
NO. I DID NOT FIRE MY WEAPON BECAUSE I WAS IN B-4 NEARLY THE ENTIRE TIME.

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I, SPC (b)(3), (b)(6), HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1, AND ENDS ON PAGE 3. 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 INFLU

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WITNESSES:

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

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Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 22 day of October, 2009 at FOB BOSTICK, AFGHANISTAN, APO AE 09354

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(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

(b)(3), (b)(6)

Article 136, UCMJ
(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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