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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on Rear Admiral Timothy M. Giardina, USN  
ltr of 30 May 2014

From: Chief of Naval Personnel  
To: Secretary of the Navy  
Via: (1) Vice Chief of Naval Operations *141800Z 2015*  
(2) Chief of Naval Operations *134712Z 2015*  
Subj: REQUEST FOR VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT

Ref: (a) COM, MILPERDET Ofc of Naval Reactors ltr of 29 Aug 14  
(b) SECNAVINST 1920.6C dtd 15 Dec 05  
(c) NAVPERS 1626/7 of 31 Mar 14 (including nonjudicial  
punishment package)  
(d) COMUSFLTFORCOM ltr 1611 Ser N00/048 of 20 May 14  
(e) CNP ltr 1920/N00F of 12 Jun 14  
(f) RADM Giardina's ltr of 18 Jun 14  
(g) NAVREACTORS ltr 5800 Ser 08B-MP/0210 of 13 Feb 15  
(h) NAVREACTORS ltr 5800 Ser 08B-MP/028 of 12 Mar 15

Encl: (1) CNP ltr 1920/POOF of 10 Mar 15  
(2) RADM Giardina's ltr of 19 Mar 15  
(3) RADM Giardina Transcript of Naval Service

1. Rear Admiral Giardina requested voluntary retirement for 1 September 2014 in the grade of vice admiral. As approved in reference (a), Rear Admiral Giardina was retained on active duty beyond his statutory retirement date to determine disposition of an open investigation. The determination of allegations will not result in court-martial proceedings and, therefore, Rear Admiral Giardina's retirement is being forwarded for a retirement grade determination.

2. Recommend transferring Rear Admiral Giardina to the Retired List under Title 10, United States Code, sections 1370 and 6322 in the grade of rear admiral. Rear Admiral Giardina completed three years time-in-grade as a rear admiral 1 August 2012.

3. Per reference (b), enclosure (1) notified Rear Admiral Giardina that a retirement grade determination review was required. Rear Admiral Giardina, at enclosure (2), acknowledged receipt and elected to submit a statement with enclosures.

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4. A review of Department of Defense records revealed adverse information.

a. Rear Admiral Giardina was a subject of an ongoing Department of Justice led investigation. The consolidated disposition authority (CDA) for the Glenn Defense Marine Asia (GDMA) matter reviewed the adverse information made available from the Department of Justice and determined that a preponderance of evidence substantiated that while serving as the Chief of Staff (CoS) for SEVENTH Fleet from August 2003 to July 2005 in the grade of captain, RADM Giardina demonstrated poor judgment by accepting multiple dinners from Mr. Leonard Francis, the President of GDMA, a defense contractor and, therefore, a prohibited source.

b. The CDA also determined that while serving as Deputy Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet in the grade of rear admiral (lower half), RADM Giardina displayed poor judgment by meeting with Mr. Leonard Francis despite his knowledge that Mr. Francis had previously attempted to influence him with improper gifts.

c. In addition, references (c) and (d) document nonjudicial punishment awarded on 5 May 2014 for two specifications of violating Article 133 of the UCMJ (Conduct Unbecoming of an Officer and a Gentleman), related to personal conduct that occurred when RADM Giardina was a vice admiral serving as Deputy Commander, U.S. Strategic Command.

5. In making my retirement grade recommendation, according to the criteria in reference (h), I considered the seriousness of the allegations; the outcome of the investigation; the action taken as a result of the investigation; the needs of the Navy; and the personal situation of the officer. I have thoroughly reviewed references (a) through (h) and enclosures (2) and (3).

6. I recommend that Rear Admiral Giardina be retired in the grade of rear admiral (O-8). The references establish that RADM Giardina committed misconduct in the grades of captain and vice admiral and demonstrated poor judgment in the grade of rear admiral (lower half). However, I am conscious of his many years of service as a flag officer in the grades of rear admiral and vice admiral, and his cooperation with investigators and the Consolidated Disposition Authority.

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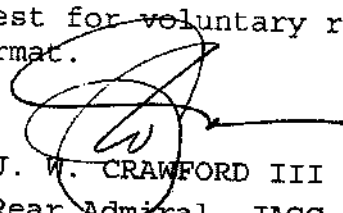
7. To the best of my knowledge, there are no other planned or ongoing investigations or inquiries into matters that constitute adverse or reportable information on the part of RADM Giardina.



W. F. MORAN  
Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy

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REVIEWED BY THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

1. Rear Admiral Giardina's request for voluntary retirement is legally correct and in proper format.



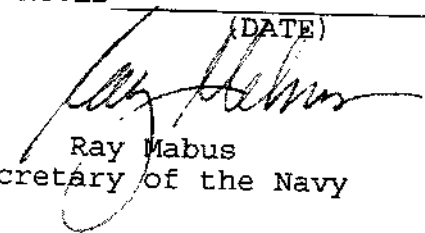
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Rear Admiral, JAGC, U.S. Navy

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Secretary of the Navy