



United States Marine Corps



Victim Witness Assistance Program (VWAP)

Marine Corps Logistics Base-Barstow

Victim Witness Assistance Coordinators

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MISSION: The Marine Corps executes a professional Victim and Witness Assistance Program in order to reduce the trauma, frustration and inconvenience by victims and witnesses of crime, inform victims of their statutory rights and assist victim and witness understanding of the military justice process.

VICTIM: A person who has suffered direct physical, emotional or pecuniary harm as a result of the commission of a crime committed in violation of the UCMJ/another law jurisdiction if any portion of investigation is conducted primary by a DoD Component.

WITNESS: A person who has information or evidence about a crime and provides that knowledge to a DoD Component representative regarding an offense within the investigative jurisdiction of a DoD Component.

VWAP RESOURCES

Installation Victim Witness Liaison (VWLO): Dawn Dialon 760-577-6533

MCB Camp Pendleton Chaplain: LtCdr Robert LeCompte 760-725-5322

Legal Assistance Camp Pendleton: 760-725-6558

Family Services MCLB Barstow: 760-577-6533

Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton: 760-725-1288

Ft. Irwin Army Hospital: 760-383-5556

REFERENCES:

MCO 5800.14-VWAP

SECNAVINST 5800.11B-VWAP

www.mccsBarstow/bh/VWAP



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Victim Rights

1. To be treated with fairness and respect for the victim's dignity and privacy.
2. To be reasonably protected from the accused.
3. To be notified of any decision to dispose of an alleged offense at court-martial, NJP or admin separation proceedings.
4. To be present at all public court-martial, NJP and admin separation proceedings, unless the court or legal advisor, after receiving clear and convincing evidence, determines that testimony by the victim would be materially altered if the victim heard other testimony at that proceeding. This right does not obligate the government to pay for expenses incurred by the victim to be present.
5. To be reasonably heard at any public hearing involving the release, plea, sentencing or parole of the accused. This right does not obligate the government to pay for expenses incurred by the victim to be present.
6. To confer with the attorney for the government in the case.
7. To receive information about the conviction, sentence, confinement and release of the accused.
8. To be notified of the apprehension of an accused, the initial appearance of an accused before a military judge, the release of the accused pending court-martial, any escape of the accused and the time and location of any trial, NJP or admin separation proceedings (including entry of guilty pleas and sentencing).
9. For proceedings to be free from unreasonable delay.
10. To receive available restitution.



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Witness Rights

1. To be treated with fairness and respect for the witness's dignity and privacy.
2. To be reasonably protected from the accused.
3. To be notified of any decision to dispose of an alleged offense at court-martial, NJP or admin separation proceedings.
4. To be provided information about the resolution of the case to include ADSEP decisions, any punishment of the offender, sentencing, imprisonment and release of the offender, if confined.
5. To be notified of the apprehension of an accused, the initial appearance of an accused before a military judge, the release of the accused pending court-martial, any escape of the accused and the time and location of any trial, NJP or admin separation proceedings (including entry of guilty pleas and sentencing).