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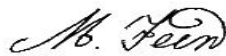
MEMORANDUM FOR: All VDF Personnel

Subject: Change to VDFR 601-100

Effective immediately, Virginia Defense Force Regulation (VDFR) 601-1000 (Appointment of Commissioned and Warrant Officers in the Virginia Defense Force) Chapter 1-11 is revised to read:

- a. Each applicant will undergo a background check.
- b. Applicants who are found to have criminal convictions through the VDF Background Check shall have their applications judged per the standards the National Guard as laid out in:
 - i. AR 601-210, Chapter 4 (31 AUG 16 or any subsequent revision to the Army enlistment regulation governing waivers and classes of offenses),
 - ii. The current National Guard Accession Options Criteria (as of the date of application to the VDF).
- c. If a waiver is required for an applicant to be accessioned into the VDF, the waiver packet shall include:
 - i. Documentation regarding the offense
 - ii. A letter from the applicant, addressed to the Commanding General, VDF, requesting the waiver and giving an overview of the offense and final disposition of the sentence.
 - iii. A letter from the recruiter, endorsing the waiver and giving specific reasons for the waiver to be granted
 - iv. The entire waiver packet shall be submitted by the recruiter through the chain of command to the Commanding General, who alone has authority to grant a waiver.
 - v. For a waiver, the "whole person" standard will be used including the applicant's entire offense history.
 - vi. The Commanding General may grant a waiver for an offense under military or civil codes if the offense was not a felony and the offense did not involve moral turpitude.
 - vii. A person convicted of an offense which is or would be a sexually violent offense as described in Virginia law may not be appointed to the VDF. This restriction may not be waived.

FOR THE COMMANDER:


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