

Good afternoon. My name is Col. Kevin Arata, spokesman for XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg. I am here today to inform you that Brigadier General Jeffrey A. Sinclair has been charged with multiple violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. The charges include forcible sodomy // wrongful sexual conduct // attempted violation of an order // violations of regulations by wrongfully engaging in inappropriate relationships // and misusing a government travel charge card // violating general orders by possessing alcohol and pornography while deployed // maltreatment of subordinates // filing fraudulent claims // engaging in conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman // and engaging in conduct prejudicial to good order and discipline // or of a nature to bring discredit upon the armed forces.

The next phase of these proceedings will be an Article 32 investigation. // This is a preliminary hearing with an impartial hearing officer. // The purpose of the hearing is to determine the merits and seriousness of the charges // so as to make recommendations on whether the matter should proceed to trial or not. The date for the Article 32 investigation has not yet been set. // Once the date is set, the command will make that date available to the public. // The Article 32 proceeding, when it occurs, is expected to be open to the public.

Given the nature of these proceedings, it would be inappropriate to comment any further at this time.

Thank you.