

## Jungreis Capt Jeremy N

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**From:** RiechelSM [RiechelSM@jag.navy.mil]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2000 9:57 AM  
**To:** 'Jungreis Capt Jeremy N'; Reed Jr Maj Leslie H; Dreyer GS13 Kelly A; Mitchell Capt Peter J; Gibbons Maj PatrickG; 'Mary Ann Simmons (E-mail)'; 'James Brennan (E-mail)'; Oliver LtCol Keith A; RiechelSM  
**Cc:** Paul GS13 Neal N; Sakai GM14 Craig K; Crouch Capt Alan F; Pearson Capt Michaela; NormanJB  
**Subject:** RE: please check with JAG on how you want to handle this

Ladies and Gentlemen,

This was CAPT Norman's response when I asked him about this issue yesterday. CAPT Norman will be on leave for the rest of this week. Please feel free to address any concerns you may have to me, and I will pass them along.

LT Riechel: The problem is not so much in the answer, as it is in the question. I recommend the question be simplified to:

Q: Where can I get information about filing a claim against the government?

A: You may contact the Claims, Investigations & Tort Litigation Division of the Office of the Judge Advocate General at (202) 685-4600, or may write to the "Office of the Judge Advocate General (Code 15), 1322 Patterson Avenue S.E., Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066". General information also is available on the internet by entering the Claims, Investigations & Tort Litigation web site from <http://www.jag.navy.mil/html/headquarters.htm>.

I don't recommend we identify a specific point of contact since this may vary over the lifetime of this issue.

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CAPT J. B. NORMAN, JAGC, USN  
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> —Original Message—

> From: Jungreis Capt Jeremy N [SMTP:JungreisJN@lejeune.usmc.mil]  
> Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2000 9:46 AM  
> To: Reed Jr Maj Leslie H; Dreyer GS13 Kelly A; Mitchell Capt Peter J;  
> Gibbons Maj PatrickG; 'Mary Ann Simmons (E-mail)'; 'James Brennan  
> (E-mail)'; Oliver LtCol Keith A; 'Silvia Riechel (E-mail)'  
> Cc: Paul GS13 Neal N; Sakai GM14 Craig K; Crouch Capt Alan F; Pearson  
> Capt Michaela  
> Subject: RE: please check with JAG on how you want to handle this  
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> Allcon:  
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> I fully concur with Major Reed's assessment. We are going to look at the  
> issue at Camp Lejeune as well, and insure that the CLJ FAQ and CLJ Website  
> give the proper POC, and clarify the limited nature of the "claims  
> assistance" that may be given by OJAG. Request that OJAG provide input on  
> language that suits them.  
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o Assign to Fred  
o call Crouch

**Paul GS13 Neal N**

**From:** Crouch Capt Alan F  
**Sent:** Monday, July 24, 2000 4:41 PM  
**To:** Cone GM14 Frederick E; Paul GS13 Neal N  
**Cc:** Hall GS09 Nicole L; Oliver LtCol Keith A  
**Subject:** FW: Responsive Documents to Locate Re: Townsend Letters

Please respond to the below message as soon as possible. Call me or Capt. Jungreis with questions.

R/S - Capt. Crouch  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Jungreis Capt Jeremy N  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 20, 2000 9:18 AM  
**To:** Crouch Capt Alan F  
**Cc:** Flores Maj David S; Reed Jr Maj Leslie H; Kneese Capt Kyle C; Johnson Cpl Dennis S  
**Subject:** Responsive Documents to Locate Re: Townsend Letters

Alan:

1. As you know, Major Townsend, USMC (Ret.) has utilized the shotgun approach to correspondence with the Federal Government. He is apparently good at it, and certainly does not lack in persistence (or spare time). He has asked every possible federal entity involved with the ATSDR study for information. Since we are the central repository for most of the responsive information he wants, we will have to provide information for requests made to entities other than Camp Lejeune.

2. Some ground rules:

a. We need to keep (and incorporate) the documents we review into the centralized chronological files that already exist at the SJA office. At some point these documents may need to be Bates stamped and become part of an administrative record used by DOJ, so its important that everything gets back to the proper place after it is copied.

b. OJAG wants copies of all documents provided to the Major Townsend's of the world. That means that we need two copies of all responsive documents. Originals go back to the SJA office for filing in the central records.

c. For the questions for which we don't possess responsive documents, I would like someone from the appropriate section to answer his question to the best of their ability and forward their answer to Captain Crouch and I. I will coordinate with HQMC in determining when and if we make any more narrative responses to Major Townsend where documents are not available (or voluminous). Some of the questions below can be easily killed with a narrative response, but I will have to defer to Major Reed and DOJ on whether we want to do that.

3. From Camp Lejeune, Major Townsend has requested the following information. I have noted the POC where the information can most likely be found.

- a. Confirmation of where he lived from 1965-67 ( Facilities)
- b. Name and address of FOIA POC (PAO)
- c. How water distribution system operated from 1965-67 (Facilities)
- d. Information about THM Testing at Camp Lejeune: when it started, why it took so long to pick up VOCs (IRD)
- e. Water quality standards from 1965-67 (EACO)
- f. Who did the monitoring from 1965-67, base or contract personnel? Were they certified under any state or federal regulations (SJA/EACO)
- g. Were there any reportable events of prohibited compounds from 1965-67 or violations of water quality standards? Remedial measures taken (EACO/SJA).
- h. What water quality standards existed in 1965-67? (EACO/SJA).
- i. Source of water to his quarters (already answered, 14 Jul 00)
- j. Which wells provided water to Hadnot Point from 1965-67, and which of these wells wer later found to be contaminated by VOCs (IRD/Facilities).
- k. What areas did the welis in TT supply from 1965-67? (Facilities)
- l. How many water systems were operating aboard CLJ from 1965-67? Were they interconnected? (Facilities)

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m) What public notices (i.e. federal register notices) were published in the context of VOC contamination prior to the release of the PHA in 1998? (IRD)

n. Why did it take so long to release this information to the public? (PAO,EACO/SJA).

4. I am working to determine what questions need to be answered from HQMC and other agencies, and will update you as soon as I make this determination. Please forward to the other key personnel, as established at our meeting of 18 July, for response.

R/S

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