



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON, DC**

**OCT 24 2018**

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL DAVID B. WALKER

FROM: AF/CV

SUBJECT: Letter of Admonishment (LOA)

An Air Force Inspector General investigation substantiated the following allegation: That, between on about 1 May 2016 and on or about 31 August 2016, you [as the Vice Commander, 166th Airlift Wing] were derelict in the performance of your duties in that you failed to support the commander's Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Program as described in Air Force Instruction 90-301, *Inspector General Complaints Resolution*, paragraph 10.6.1, as it was your duty to do, and about which you knew or should have known, by discouraging Colonel John J. Ptak, Jr. [former Commander, 166th Mission Support Group] from reporting potential fraud, waste, or abuse in response to Colonel Ptak's report, in violation of Delaware Code, Title 20, Section 151(b)(2) and Article 92, Uniform Code of Military Justice.

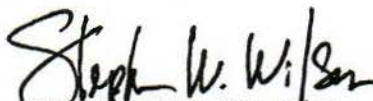
You are hereby admonished! The prevention of fraud, waste, abuse, and gross mismanagement is inherently a command responsibility. Commanders at all levels must actively promote the efficient, effective, and legitimate use of government resources under their control. As the vice wing commander, you shared this responsibility with the wing commander. After you learned that the mission support group commander had concerns with another group commander's telecommuting work claims, it is incomprehensible that you did not seek to follow-up on those concerns or further elevate them to the wing commander. Moreover, your actions discouraged the mission support group commander from further reporting any suspected telecommuting work improprieties and resulted in your stifling any further investigation of this fraud, waste, or abuse concern. Consequently, your failure to maintain open communication channels and encourage personnel to elevate fraud, waste, or abuse concerns to command or supervision weakened the wing commander's program and potentially set a culture that prevented members in the command from making credible reports. Going forward, I expect you to deliberately execute your duties and responsibilities, and establish a healthy climate for subordinates entrusted to you.

The following information required by the *Privacy Act* is provided for your information. **AUTHORITY:** 10 U.S.C. § 8013. **PURPOSE:** To obtain any comments or documents you desire to submit (on a voluntary basis) for consideration concerning this action. **ROUTINE USES:** Provides you an opportunity to submit comments or documents for consideration. If provided, the comments and documents you submit become a part of the action. **DISCLOSURE:** Your written acknowledgment of receipt and signature are mandatory. Any comments or documents you provide are voluntary.

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EXHIBIT A

You will acknowledge receipt of this letter immediately by signing the acknowledgment below. Within forty-five (45) duty-days from the day you receive this letter, you must provide any comments or documents you wish to be considered concerning this letter. You will be notified of my final decision regarding any comments you submit.

  
STEPHEN W. WILSON  
General, USAF  
Vice Chief of Staff

1st Ind, Letter of Admonishment, Colonel David B. Walker

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FROM: COLONEL DAVID B. WALKER

I acknowledge receipt and understanding on \_\_\_\_\_. I understand that I have forty-five (45) duty-days from the date I received this letter to provide a response and that I must include in my response any comments or documents I wish to be considered concerning this letter.

DAVID B. WALKER, Colonel, USAF

2d Ind, Letter of Admonishment, Colonel David B. Walker

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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FROM: COLONEL DAVID B. WALKER

I have reviewed the allegation contained in this letter. (I am submitting the attached documents in response.) (I hereby waive my right to respond.)

DAVID B. WALKER, Colonel, USAF

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EXHIBIT A

3d Ind, Letter of Admonishment, Colonel David B. Walker

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_ (initial) The member (did)(did not) submit matters in response. My final decision is to let the LOA stand. The LOA (will)(will not) be filed in the member's Personnel Information File (PIF).

\_\_\_\_ (initial) The member (did)(did not) submit matters in response. My final decision is to downgrade the LOA to a Letter of Counseling.

\_\_\_\_ (initial) The member (did)(did not) submit matters in response. My final decision is to withdraw the LOA.

STEPHEN W. WILSON  
General, USAF  
Vice Chief of Staff

4th Ind, Letter of Admonishment, Colonel David B. Walker

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FROM: COLONEL DAVID B. WALKER

I acknowledge receipt and understanding on \_\_\_\_\_.

DAVID B. WALKER, Colonel, USAF

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