



The Current State of Sexual Assault in the Military

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Scope of Military Sexual Assault

14,900 members (**8,600 women** and **6,300 men**) were sexually assaulted in 2016

1 in 4 women and **1 in 3 men** were assaulted by someone in their chain of command

81% of victims did **NOT** report the crime in 2016

Scope of Military Sexual Assault

6,769 reports (both Restricted and Unrestricted) were made in FY17

Of those, just **5,110** were Unrestricted reports

And **905** of those reports were made by civilians reports

These numbers do not include victims of domestic abuse or children

Scope of Sexual Harassment in the Military

129,000 service members (**1 in 4 women, 1 in 15 men**) faced severe and persistent sexual harassment or gender discrimination

The majority of victims were harassed by someone in their chain of command

Retaliation

58% of women and **60%** of men who reported a sexual assault face retaliation
77% of retaliation reports alleged that retaliators were in the reporter's chain of command

A third of victims are discharged after reporting, typically **within 7 months** of making a report

24% separated under less than fully honorable conditions, compared to **15%** of all service members

2018 RAND Report: Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment in the U.S. Military

8 installations with more than **500** sexual assaults in
2014

Fort Hood: 885 assaulted

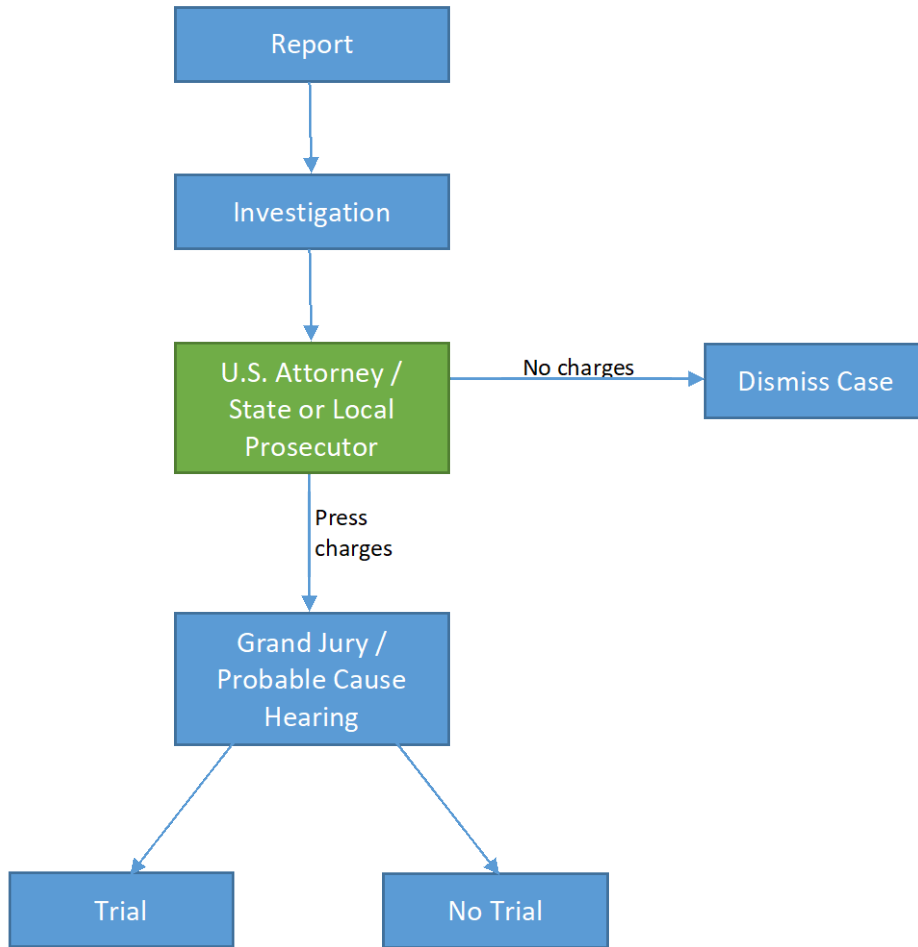
**Strong correlation between sexual harassment
and sexual assault**

**Highest rates of sexual assault on ships and
installations with high combat unit presence**

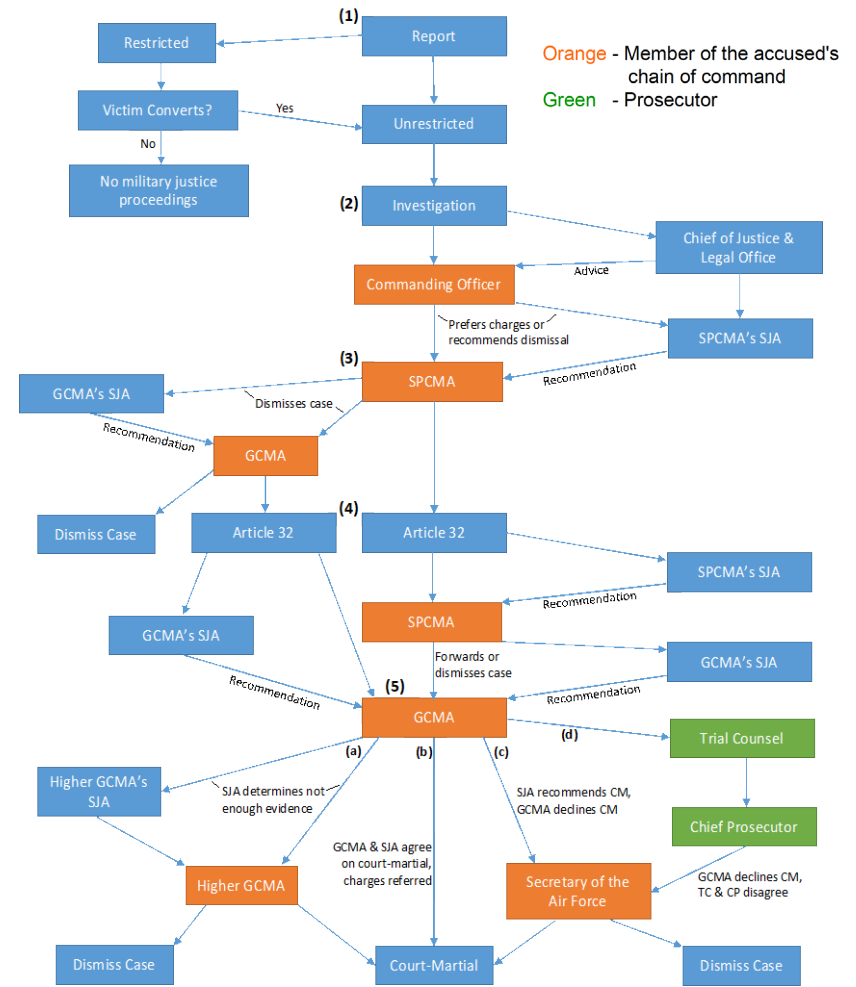
**Prevalence rate as high as 17% of women on
some Naval locations**

**Army had 5 installations with prevalence rate
higher than 7.5%**

Civilian Justice Process



Current Command-Based Military Justice Process



2013

3768 unrestricted reports

484 proceeded to trial

197 convicted of a
nonconsensual sex offense

2014

4660 unrestricted reports

588 proceeded to trial

204 convicted of a
nonconsensual sex offense

2015

4584 unrestricted reports

543 proceeded to trial

255 convicted of a
nonconsensual sex offense

2016

4591 unrestricted reports

389 proceeded to trial

124 convicted of a
nonconsensual sex offense

2017

5110 unrestricted reports

406 proceeded to trial

166 convicted of a
nonconsensual sex offense

Military Justice System Fails to Deliver Justice

5,110 reports of sexual assault were made to law enforcement

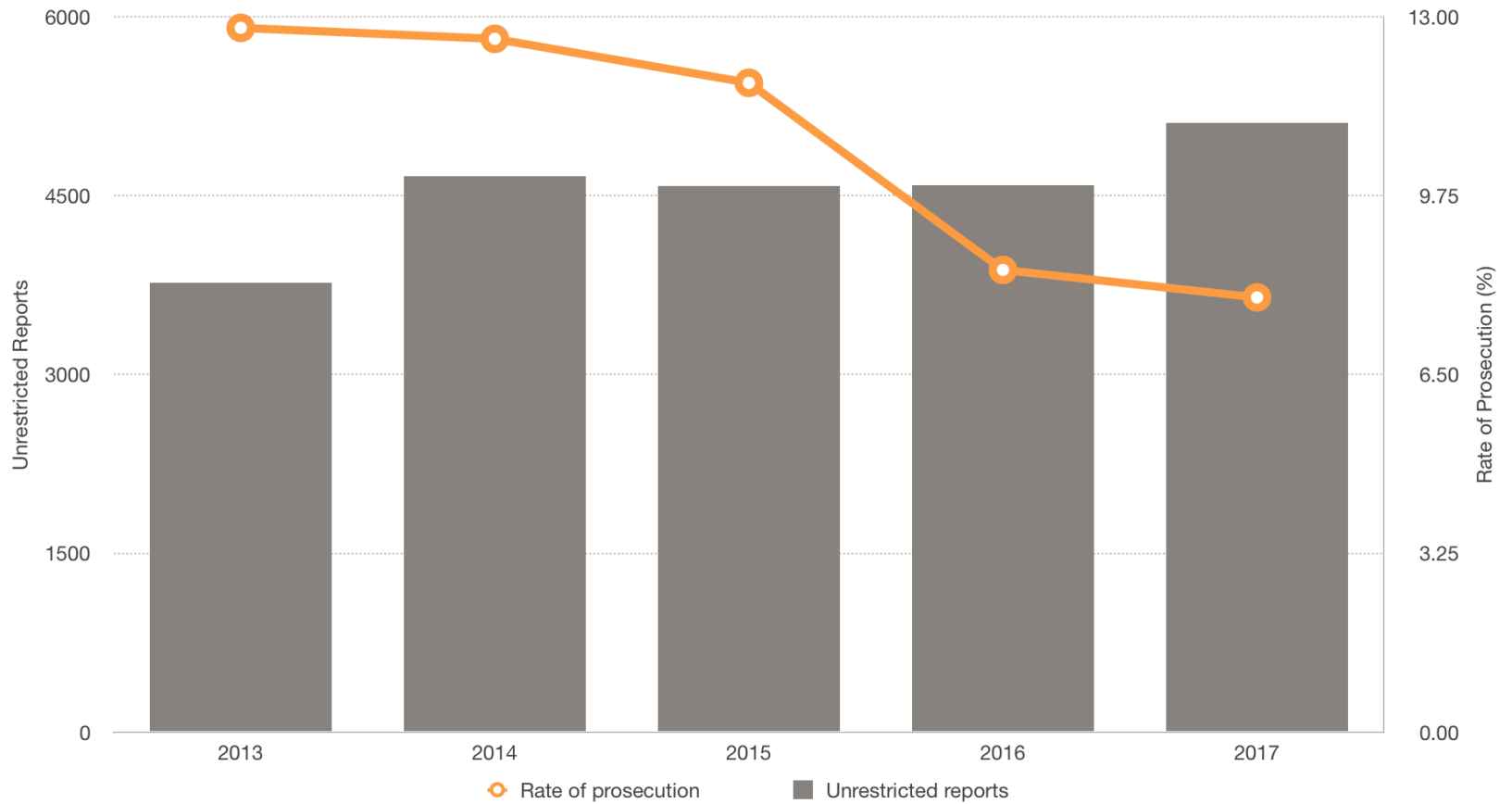
Of those, commanders only charged 774 cases

Of those, commanders only tried 406 cases

Of those, the military justice system was only able to deliver 166 convictions for sexual assault



Dropping Prosecution Rates



Recent Reforms



Article 32

Depositions

Mental health records

Good Military Character

Victims appellate rights

SVC/VLC

Right to consult with decision authority

Eliminate no punishment option

Eliminate authority to overturn verdicts

Criminalize “revenge porn”

Criminalize domestic violence