

STATEMENT OF SERVICE

4 August 1970

NAME: Ernest L. Medina

RANK: Captain (O-3)

SERVICE NUMBER:

DATE OF BIRTH: 27 August 1936

HOME TOWN OF RECORD: Montrose, Colorado

EDUCATION: High School graduate

DATE AND PLACE OF ENLISTMENT: (Commissioned 20 March 1964, Ft Benning, Ga.)

ASSIGNMENTS:

Enlisted Service:

May 52-Apr 56 - National Guard (Not on active duty)

Apr 56-Mar 64 - (includes service in Europe Oct 56-Aug 63)

Commissioned Service:

Mar 64-Jul 66 - Fort Benning, Ga.

Jul 66-Jul 68 - 11th Infantry Brigade, United States Army, Pacific

Jul-Nov 68 - Americal Division, United States Army, Pacific

Dec 68-Mar 69 - Fort Benning, Ga.

1 Mar 70 - Fort McPherson, Ga.\*

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS: Expert Infantryman Badge; Good Conduct Medal; Army Occupation Medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Good Conduct Medal, 2d award; Ranger Tab; Parachutist Badge; National Defense Service Medal; Army Commendation Medal; Vietnam Service Medal; Combat Infantryman Badge; Vietnam Campaign Medal with attached device, 1960; one overseas bar; Bronze Star Medal; Silver Star

MARITAL STATUS: Married

CHILDREN: Three - 11, 10, 7

RACE: Caucasian

\*Captain Medina was assigned to Fort McPherson on 1 Mar 70 with duty station at Fort Benning, Ga. Effective 30 June 1970, his duty station was changed to Fort McPherson.

CHARGES AND SPECIFICATIONS  
(CAPTAIN ERNEST L. MEDINA)

Charge I: Violation of Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 118.

Specification 1: In That Captain Ernest L. Medina, US Army, Headquarters, US Army Garrison, Fort McPherson, Georgia, then a member of Company C, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry, 11th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, did, at My Lai (4), Quang Ngai Province, Republic of Vietnam, on or about 16 March 1968, with premeditation, murder an unidentified Vietnamese person by means of shooting her with a rifle.

Specification 2: In that Captain Ernest L. Medina, US Army, Headquarters, US Army Garrison, Fort McPherson, Georgia, then a member of Company C, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry, 11th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, did, at My Lai (4), Quang Ngai Province, Republic of Vietnam, on or about 16 March 1968, with premeditation, murder an unidentified Vietnamese person by means of shooting him with a rifle.

Charge II: Violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 128.

Specification 1: In that Captain Ernest L. Medina, US Army, Headquarters, US Army Garrison, Fort McPherson, Georgia, then a member of Company C, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry, 11th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, did, at or near My Khe (2), Quang Ngai Province, Republic of Vietnam, on or about 17 March 1968, while interrogating suspected enemy personnel, commit an assault upon an unidentified Vietnamese person by shooting at him with a dangerous weapon, to wit: a rifle.

Specification 2: In that Captain Ernest L. Medina, US Army, Headquarters, US Army Garrison, Fort McPherson, Georgia, then a member of Company C, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry, 11th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, did, at or near My Khe (2) Quang Ngai Province, Republic of Vietnam, on or about 17 March 1968, while interrogating suspected enemy personnel, commit an assault upon an unidentified Vietnamese person by shooting at him with a dangerous weapon, to wit: a rifle.

NOTE: Person mentioned in Specifications 1 and 2 of Charge II is same individual - not two.

Additional Charge: Violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 118.

Specification: In that Captain Ernest L. Medina, US Army, Headquarters, US Army Garrison, Fort McPherson, Georgia, then a member of Company C, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry, 11th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, did, at My Lai (4), Quang Ngai Province, Republic of Vietnam, on or about 16 March 1968, with premeditation, murder an unknown number of unidentified Vietnamese persons, notless than 100, by means of shooting these persons with machine guns, rifles, and other weapons.