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**MEMORANDUM FOR CADET (INSERT FULL NAME) OF (ECHO) COMPANY**

SUBJECT: APPEAL PROCESS

1. A cadet found in violation of the Cadet Honor Code may appeal any finding of violation or award of sanctions for honor offenses by submitting a written memorandum to the Commandant of Cadets. The burden is on the appealing cadet to demonstrate why the finding or sanction should be altered.
2. In accordance with the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets Honor Manual, appeals may be based only on the following grounds: (1) denial of due process, (2) significant and relevant new evidence that was not available at the time of the trial, and/or (3) sanctions that are unduly harsh or arbitrary. Appeal requests will be denied in cases not having sufficient grounds in one or more of these areas.
3. Cadets wishing to appeal have three calendar days (72 hours) from the date of an Honor Court or Honor Committee hearing to submit their memorandum to the Commandant.
4. The Commandant will review the appeal memorandum and the entire record of the case. Based upon a complete review of the merits of the case and your appeal, the Commandant may do any of the following: (1) Determine the findings/sanctions are warranted and affirm the results. (2) Alter or sustain the original finding and/or sanction. (3) Refer the case to a new hearing authority for a rehearing. (4) Dismiss the case.
5. The Commandant will reply to you in writing, so please provide in your appeal a valid mailing address if on semester or summer break. The Commandant is the final appellate authority for any Honor Board action taken within the Corps of Cadets.

By signing, I declare that I am aware of my right to appeal.

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Accused Cadet

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