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FACT SHEET

PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED

UNCONVICTED DRAFT EVADER AND MILITARY ABSENTEE

DRAFT EVADER

MILITARY ABSENTEE  
(including Coast Guard)

Report to United States Attorney  
where offense was committed

Report as prescribed by  
the military department  
concerned or for members  
of the Coast Guard report  
to the Secretary of  
Transportation

Acknowledge allegiance to the  
United States by agreeing with the  
United States Attorney to perform  
24 months alternate service or less  
based on mitigating circumstances

Oath of Allegiance to  
United States

Agree with the concerned  
Military Department to  
perform 24 months alternate  
service or less based  
upon mitigating  
circumstances

Perform alternate service under  
the auspices of the Director of  
Selective Service

Upon request, Military  
Department forgoes prose-  
cution, and issues  
undesirable discharge

Director of Selective Service  
issues certificate of satis-  
factory completion of alter-  
nate service

Perform alternate service  
under the auspices of the  
Director of Selective  
Service

Receipt by United States Attorney  
of a certificate of satisfactory  
completion of alternate service

Director of Selective Service  
issues certificate of satis-  
factory completion of alter-  
nate service

Dismissal of indictment or  
dropping of charges

Receipt of a certificate of  
satisfactory completion of  
alternate service by the  
concerned Military Department

Clemency discharge substituted  
for undesirable discharge

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Apply to Clemency Board

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Clemency Board may recommend  
clemency to the President

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clemency to the President,  
including substitution of  
a clemency discharge for a  
punitive or undesirable  
discharge

Clemency Board may condition  
recommendation of clemency on  
period of alternate service

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President may grant clemency

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discharge

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