separation near the hub, which could result in engine separation from the airplane.

Compliance

(e) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified unless the actions have already been done.

Required Actions

(f) Before further flight, replace propeller blades Model M10876K with blades Model M10876ASK.

(g) After the effective date of this AD, do not install propeller blades Model M10876K on any airplane.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(h) The Manager, Chicago Aircraft Certification Office, has the authority to approve alternative methods of compliance for this AD if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

Material Incorporated by Reference

(i) None.

Related Information

(j) None.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

32 CFR Part 719

RIN 0703-AA75

Regulations Supplementing the Manual for Courts-Martial

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD. **ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy is amending its regulations concerning the closure of pre-trial hearings from the public to reflect recent changes to Chapter I of the Manual of the Judge Advocate General (JAGMAN).

DATES: Effective April 16, 2004. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LCDR Jason Baltimore, Personnel Law

Branch, Administrative Law Division (Code 13), Office of the Judge Advocate General, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE., Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5066, (703) 604–8208.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the authority cited below, the Department of the Navy amends 32 CFR part 719. This amendment provides notice that the Judge Advocate General of the Navy has made administrative

corrections to the Courts-Martial regulations found in Chapter I of the JAGMAN. It has been determined that invitation of public comment on this amendment would be impractical and unnecessary, and is therefore not required under the public rule-making provisions of 32 CFR parts 336 and 701. However, interested persons are invited to comment in writing on this amendment. All written comments received will be considered in making subsequent amendments or revisions of 32 CFR part 719, or the instructions on which they are based. It has been determined that this final rule is not a major rule within the criteria specified in Executive Order 12866, as amended by Executive Order 13258, and does not have substantial impact on the public. This submission is a statement of policy and as such can be effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Matters of Regulatory Procedure

Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review

This rule does not meet the definition of "significant regulatory action" for purposes of Executive Order 12866, as amended by Executive Order 13258.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

This rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. Chapter 6).

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not impose collection of information requirements for purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, 5 CFR part 1320).

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 719 Trial Matters

■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 32 CFR Part 719 is amended to read as follows:

■ 1. Section 719.115 is amended by revising paragraph (b)(2) to read as follows:

§719.115 Release of information pertaining to accused persons; spectators at judicial sessions.

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(b) * * *

(2) At pretrial investigations. Consistent with Rules for Courts-Martial 405(h)(3), Manual for Courts-Martial, the Convening Authority or investigating officer may direct that all or part of an Article 32 investigation under 10 U.S.C. 832 be held in closed session and that all persons not connected with the hearing be excluded

therefrom. The decision to exclude spectators may be based on the need to protect classified information, to prevent disclosure of matters that will be inadmissible in evidence at a subsequent trial by Courts-Martial and are of such a nature as to interfere with a fair trial by an impartial tribunal, or consistent with appellate case law, for a reason deemed appropriate by the commander ordering the investigation or the investigating officer. The reasons for closing an Article 32 investigation, and any objections thereto, shall be memorialized and included as an attachment to the report of investigation. Ordinarily, the proceedings of a pretrial investigation should be open to spectators. In cases dealing with classified information, the investigating officer will ensure that any part of a pretrial investigation (e.g., rights advisement) that does not involve classified information will remain open to spectators.

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Dated: April 5, 2004.

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Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 04–8628 Filed 4–15–04; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

32 CFR Part 725

RIN 0703-AA74

Release of Official Information for Litigation Purposes and Testimony by Department of the Navy Personnel

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD. **ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy is amending its regulations concerning requests from members of the public for official Department of the Navy information in connection with litigation to reflect recent changes to Chapter VI of the Manual of the Judge Advocate General (JAGMAN). DATES: Effective April 16, 2004. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LCDR Jason Baltimore, Personnel Law Branch, Administrative Law Division (Code 13), Office of the Judge Advocate

General, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE., Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5066, (703) 604–8208.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the authority cited below, the Department of the Navy amends 32 CFR

part 725. This amendment provides notice that the Judge Advocate General of the Navy has made administrative corrections to the General Litigation regulations found in Chapter VI of the JAGMAN. It has been determined that invitation of public comment on this amendment would be impractical and unnecessary, and is therefore not required under the public rule-making provisions of 32 CFR parts 336 and 701. However, interested persons are invited to comment in writing on this amendment. All written comments received will be considered in making subsequent amendments or revisions of 32 CFR part 725, or the instructions on which they are based. It has been determined that this final rule is not a major rule within the criteria specified in Executive Order 12866, as amended by Executive Order 13258, and does not have substantial impact on the public. This submission is a statement of policy and as such can be effective upon publication in the Federal Register.

Matters of Regulatory Procedure

Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review

This rule does not meet the definition of "significant regulatory action" for purposes of Executive Order 12866, as amended by Executive Order 13258.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

This rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. Chapter 6).

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not impose collection of information requirements for purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, 5 CFR Part 1320).

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 725

Authority to determine and respond. ■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Department of the Navy amends 32 CFR part 725 to read as follows:

PART 725—RELEASE OF OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR LITIGATION PURPOSES AND TESTIMONY BY DEPARTMENT OF NAVY PERSONNEL

■ 1. Section 725.6 is amended by revising paragraph (c)(i) to read as follows:

§ 725.6 Authority to determine and respond

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(1) Litigation requests regarding matters assigned to the Judge Advocate General of the Navy under Navy Regulations, article 0331 (1990), shall be referred to the Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General for General Litigation, Office of the Navy Judge Advocate General (Washington Navy Yard), 1322 Patterson Avenue, SE., Suite 3000, Washington, DC, 20374-5066, who will respond for the Judge Advocate General or transmit the request to the appropriate Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General for response. * *

Dated: April 5, 2004.

J.T. Baltimore,

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

32 CFR Part 727

RIN 0703-AA73

Legal Assistance

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD. **ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy is amending its regulations concerning the provision of legal assistance to military members and other persons eligible for legal assistance to reflect recent changes to Chapter VII of the Manual of the Judge Advocate General (JAGMAN).

DATES: Effective April 16, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LCDR Jason Baltimore, Personnel Law Branch, Administrative Law Division (Code 13), Office of the Judge Advocate General, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE., Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5066, (703) 604–8208.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the authority cited below, the Department of the Navy amends 32 CFR part 727. This amendment provides notice that the Judge Advocate General of the Navy has made administrative corrections to the Legal Assistance regulations found in Chapter XII of the JAGMAN. It has been determined that invitation of public comment on this amendment would be impractical and unnecessary, and is therefore not required under the public rule-making provisions of 32 CFR parts 336 and 701. However, interested persons are invited to comment in writing on this

amendment. All written comments received will be considered in making subsequent amendments or revisions of 32 CFR part 727, or the instructions on which they are based. It has been determined that this final rule is not a major rule within the criteria specified in Executive Order 12866, as amended by Executive Order 13258, and does not have substantial impact on the public. This submission is a statement of policy and as such can be effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Matters of Regulatory Procedure

Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review

This rule does not meet the definition of "significant regulatory action" for purposes of Executive Order 12866, as amended by Executive Order 13258.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

This rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. Chapter 6).

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not impose collection of information requirements for purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, 5 CFR Part 1320).

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 727

Legal Assistance.

■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Department of the Navy amends 32 CFR Part 727 to read as follows:

PART 727—LEGAL ASSISTANCE

■ 1. Section 727.5 is revised to read as follows:

§727.5 Persons eligible for assistance.

Legal assistance shall be available to members of the Armed Forces of the United States and their dependents, and military personnel of allied nations serving in the United States, its territories or possessions. Legal assistance is intended primarily for the benefit of active duty personnel during active service, including reservists (and members of the National Guard) on active duty for 30 days or more. As resources permit, legal assistance may be extended to retired military personnel, their dependents, survivors of members of the Armed Forces who would be eligible were the service member alive, reservists on active duty for single periods of 29 days or less, members of Reserve Components following release from active duty under