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From: **Bravo Fleet Magistrate** <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 6, 2020 at 9:13 PM

Subject: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint

To: <Jack Pike>

Hi Jack,

My name is Sean, and I am the Bravo Fleet Magistrate.

A complaint has been filed against you through my office, on the charge of Mutiny and Sedition, the description of which is "Willful intent to override, overthrow, or disrupt the effective operation of parts of Bravo Fleet, either alone or with other parties. The action leading to this complaint is your removing the USS New Hampshire from the Fleet with no notification to your Task Force Commander, Task Force Senior Staff, or any member of the Bravo Fleet Admiralty.

Additionally, the charge of Disreputable Behavior has been charged, due to your not notifying your own Executive Officer, or presumably any standing member of your crew of the change in organization so that they could air their grievances or consider staying within the Fleet versus leaving.

As part of the Magistrate Code, I am required to enter a plea for you of innocence or guilt. Please respond to this email within 48 hours indicating your plea, or I will move forward with the facts as presented. If no response is received by 7:12 pm Pacific Time on Monday, June 22, I will move forward with my findings.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 6:56 PM

Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint

To: <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>

Your honor,

Please allow me to introduce myself. I'm Charles Star, and Mr. Jack Pike (aka "Jason") has retained me as his Lead Counsel for this case. I request that all future communication regarding this matter be sent directly to me. My client has also requested that the designated Bravo Fleet Defender remain on his defense team as co-counsel. If you have contact information for this individual handy, we would greatly appreciate it.

I look forward to working with everyone to resolve this dispute to the satisfaction of all parties. A deadline of June 22nd at 7:12 PM PDT will be sufficient to allow my client to reach a plea. If there is anything I can do to help make these proceedings go more smoothly, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Thank you again, your honor.

Sincerely,

Charles Star
Lead Counsel for Mr. Jack Pike (aka "Jason")

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From: **Bravo Fleet Magistrate** <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 8:17 PM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Greetings,

Thank you for reaching out on behalf of both yourself and Jack.

As per my original email to your client, a 48 hour deadline to enter a plea was requested. No plea of either innocent or guilty was entered at that time. An additional email was provided to me, but that email had already been provided as part of the original complaint. As the deadline has passed, he has forfeited his right to submit evidence or now submit a plea. Magistrate deadlines not mandated by the Magistrate Code or Bravo Fleet Charter are at the discretion of the Bravo Fleet Magistrate, solely.

As no plea was entered within the original deadline, a Trial by Magistrate was commenced, has been underway since the deadline passed, and is nearly complete.

Further, per the emails exchanged between Jack and the Bravo Fleet Commanding Officer, he admitted to requesting the databases in order to leave the Fleet, freely and concisely. Nonetheless, as you were retained, you are recognized as one of Jack's defenders for the remainder of the Trial by Magistrate. The findings will be made public once a final determination has been made.

Regards,



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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 8:46 PM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Your honor, thank you for the prompt response.

If you'll notice, your original email did say 48 hours, but it also listed June 22nd as the deadline:

"As part of the Magistrate Code, I am required to enter a plea for you of innocence or guilt. Please respond to this email within 48 hours indicating your plea, or I will move forward with the facts as presented. If no response is received by 7:12 pm Pacific Time on Monday, June 22, I will move forward with my findings."

This led to some confusion for not only my client, but for me as well. In the interest of justice and full discovery, I ask that the more lenient date given to my client for a plea be followed for this case.

Sincerely,

Charles Star

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From: **Bravo Fleet Magistrate** <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 8:59 PM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

In a word, no.

I will 100% own up to the fact that I entered the wrong date in my original email, and I sincerely apologize for the confusion that may have caused. That is absolutely on me.

I am suspect of your participation in this, as well as your creating an account on the BFMS system within **minutes** of me receiving your first email. However, the accused has a right to retain any outside help they request or require. If this was the only reason you joined the org, it was not necessary. But putting that aside, allow me to elucidate the facts of the complaint and the ongoing Trial by Magistrate.

Your client admitted to their actions, and that no one prompted them to leave the organization, it was a decision that they made of their own accord. Additionally, when speaking to a member of the game's senior staff, said person stated they were given no indication of the change of venue other than (and I paraphrase here) "He'd said he was considering it, but not that he was doing it."

There is an admission of guilt in an email to the Commanding Officer of the Fleet. It is frankly laughable that anything else could be pertinent other than that.

Thank you for your time. My findings will be made public shortly.



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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 9:08 PM

Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint

To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>

Thank you, your honor, but I must protest. I am unable to get a hold of my client at the immediate moment, but nothing in our communications has given me any indication that he ever intended to plead guilty. Indeed, it is my opinion that he saw the emails as exculpatory. Please give me time to confirm or deny this with my client before we proceed. It is the right thing to do: The right thing for my client, and the right thing for Bravo Fleet.

Separately, thank you for clarifying that piece of BF code. It is very helpful.

Charles Star

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 9:24 PM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Your honor, I have confirmed with my client: It was *not* and has never been his intention to plead guilty.

I humbly ask in accordance with the Bravo Fleet Magistrate code and the original Magistrate Complaint email that the current Magistrate trial be halted and that my client be allowed to enter a proper plea by the June 22nd deadline.

Charles Star

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 11:21 PM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Your honor, I see that a decision was published about an hour or so after my last email.

https://bravofleet.com/group_news/magistrate-decision-bfm-01/

It is our intent to appeal this ruling.

Charles

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 10:03 AM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Your honor,

To prepare our appeal, we request the following documentation:

- All evidence considered or entered into the record

- All official proceedings and happenings
- All communication between or among the Investigator, the Defender, and/or your honor.

We will make judicious use of these materials to write the appeal as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Charles Star

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 10:42 AM

Subject: BFM-01

To: <Acker Kather>

Cc: <Jack Pike>

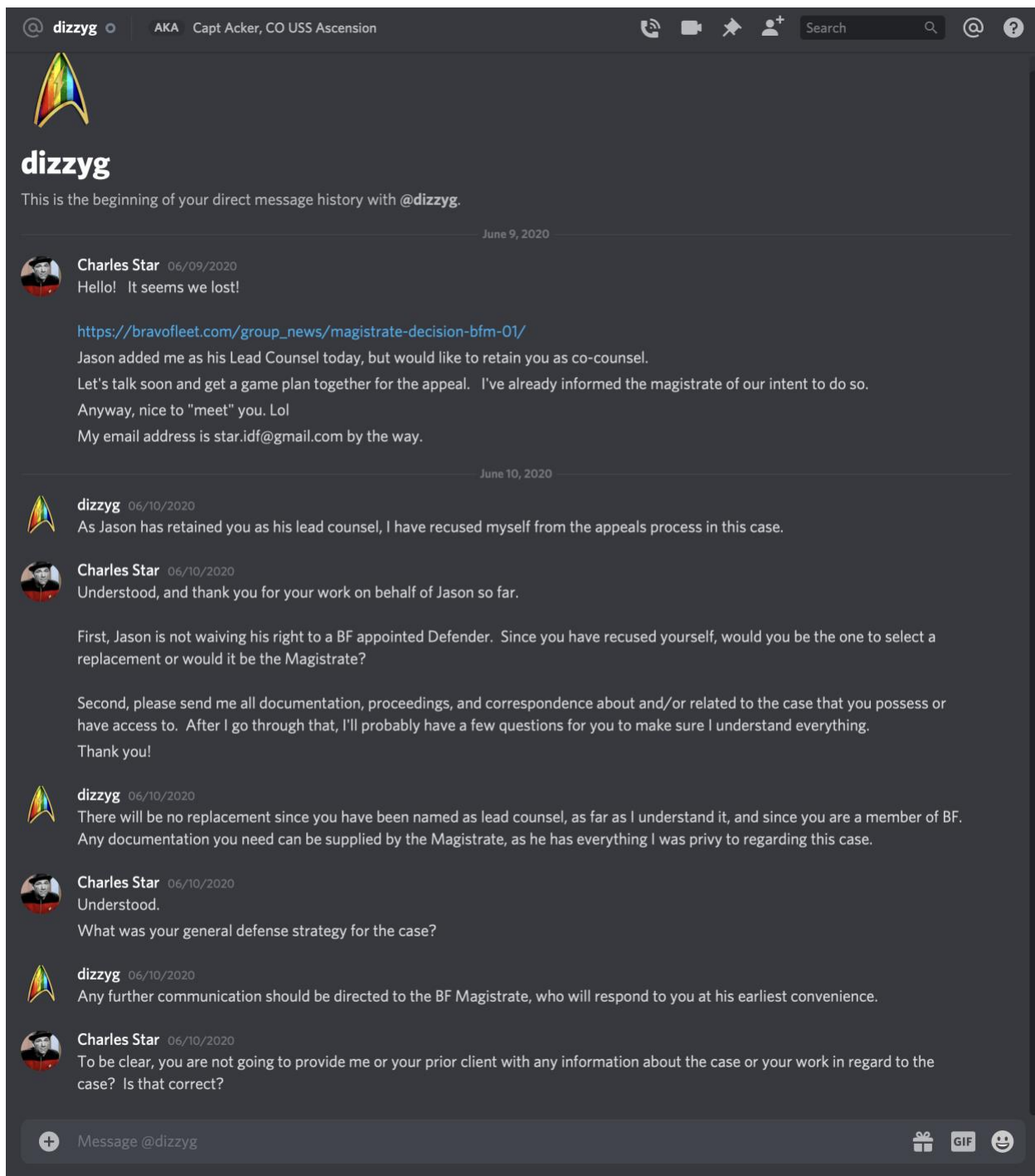
Hi Kristi,

Jason added me yesterday as Lead Counsel for his ongoing dispute with Bravo Fleet. However, he would also like to continue to retain your services as co-counsel.

I've already informed the magistrate of our intent to appeal the decision. I'd like to go over the case so far with you ASAP to see where exactly we stand. I've also sent you a message on Discord.

Hope all is well,

Charles



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From: **Bravo Fleet Magistrate** <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Date: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 7:59 PM

Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint

To: Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>

Charles and Jack,

1. Please advise where specifically in the Magistrate Code of Bravo Fleet that providing evidence post-trial is required.
2. Per the Magistrate Code: **"If the defendant or prosecution feels that an error has been made, they can write an appeal and present it to the Magistrate, who will in turn bring it before the appeals panel. Appeals cannot be trivial in nature, and must specifically point to the error(s) made. The appellant must find either an issue arising from Bravo Fleet documents or judicial process error."** This means that the facts and evidence of the case are not available for appeal.
 - a. Please advise specifically which errors have arisen from Bravo Fleet Documents or judicial process error.

Once you have satisfied these requirements, I will pass the request to the appeals panel.



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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 9:02 PM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Your honor, thank you for the response.

To answer your question: First, I would say that it's near impossible to "find either an issue arising from Bravo Fleet documents or judicial process error" without access to the evidence and a full transcript of the trial. Without providing that information, you would effectively be limiting, and potentially even eliminating, my client's right to an appeal. Second, according to the Bravo Fleet Charter, Article 2, Section 1, Paragraph 4: "Every member has the right to a fair and impartial system of justice. All indictments, trials, and subsequent punishments will make no distinction between members based on tenure or position within Bravo Fleet." The prosecution has access to the requested information, but we do not. That's not fair.

On a related note, Acker Kather has informed me that she is "recusing" herself from the case and will not be cooperating with the defense moving forward. Further, she also indicated that she

will not be giving us any documentation or information regarding the defense she provided--she directed me to you to receive that information. To the earlier point, again, it's difficult to evaluate the process when one's own attorney withholds information about that process.

Your honor, in addition to requesting full trial information to help us formulate an appeal, I also request that you appoint someone as a replacement Magistrate Defender for Kather to serve as co-counsel on our defense team. The justification is as follows:

Bravo Fleet Charter, Article 4, Section 2, Paragraph 3: "All members shall be offered the right to assistance from members of the fleet in assisting to defend them. The choice by default is the Magistrate Defender, though the defendant possesses the right to seek aid from any parties willing to assist in their defense."

The paragraph makes it clear that multiple parties ("any parties") may serve on the defense team. While the default choice is the Magistrate Defender, nowhere does it indicate that the accused loses their Magistrate Defender by adding additional parties. It also does not reference or direct in any way how the accused may structure their defense team.

Thank you again for your consideration, your honor.

Charles Star

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From: **Sean Stephens** <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Date: Thu, Jun 11, 2020 at 3:25 PM

Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint

To: Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>

Please find my answers inline below in bold.

On 2020-06-10 21:02, Charles Star wrote:

Your honor, thank you for the response.

To answer your question: First, I would say that it's near impossible to "find either an issue arising from Bravo Fleet documents or judicial process error" without access to the evidence and a full transcript of the trial. Without providing that information, you would effectively be limiting, and potentially even eliminating, my client's right to an appeal. Second, according to the Bravo Fleet Charter, Article 2, Section 1, Paragraph 4: "Every member has the right to a fair and impartial system of justice. All indictments, trials, and subsequent punishments will make no distinction between members based on tenure or position within

Bravo Fleet." The prosecution has access to the requested information, but we do not. That's not fair.

-- I have edited the trial document to have all evidence used changed to public. You can find the evidence used there.

On a related note, Acker Kather has informed me that she is "recusing" herself from the case and will not be cooperating with the defense moving forward. Further, she also indicated that she will not be giving us any documentation or information regarding the defense she provided--she directed me to you to receive that information. To the earlier point, again, it's difficult to evaluate the process when one's own attorney withholds information about that process.

-- The Defender is under no obligation to continue interacting with a defendant and outside counsel in the face of harassment, and your continued haranguing of her last night for information, when you know you should have directed all inquiries to me skates that line.

Your honor, in addition to requesting full trial information to help us formulate an appeal, I also request that you appoint someone as a replacement Magistrate Defender for Kather to serve as co-counsel on our defense team. The justification is as follows:

-- No.

Bravo Fleet Charter, Article 4, Section 2, Paragraph 3: "All members shall be offered the right to assistance from members of the fleet in assisting to defend them. The choice by default is the Magistrate Defender, though the defendant possesses the right to seek aid from any parties willing to assist in their defense."

The paragraph makes it clear that multiple parties ("any parties") may serve on the defense team. While the default choice is the Magistrate Defender, nowhere does it indicate that the accused loses their Magistrate Defender by adding additional parties. It also does not reference or direct in any way how the accused may structure their defense team.

-- The Magistrate Code indicates that it defaults to the BF Defender in the absence of other defense. The last Defender recused herself due to your continued messaging of her when I was the party to which your questions should have been directed. I am unwilling to assign someone else and put them in a place to be harassed.

-- Additionally, I will warn you that the only reason you aren't being investigated for harassment is because the Defender didn't make a formal complaint, and just asked to be recused. Any further communication regarding this case is to be directed to the Magistrate, and only the Magistrate. You will receive a response when I am next able to respond.

-- The trial has been concluded, and the evidence is now publicly available. You have 24 hours from present (let's call it 1pm Pacific Time on 6/12/2020) to submit your appeal, which I will forward to the appeals panel. I would strongly advise you to read over the rules for appeals to ensure that your appeal is succinct and in line with those rules.

Thank you again for your consideration, your honor.

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Jun 11, 2020 at 3:57 PM
Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate Complaint
To: Sean Stephens <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Thank you, your honor.

I still must protest that not having a full trial transcript, a lack of cooperation from the prior counsel, and the unreasonable timeframe provided significantly impacts our ability to craft a viable appeal.

Nevertheless, we acknowledge the deadline your honor has set and plan to submit our appeal before that deadline passes.

Charles Star

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 12:48 PM
Subject: Appeal of verdicts in Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001)
To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>

Your honor,

On behalf of my client, I respectfully submit the attached appeal of the verdicts in Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001) to the Bravo Fleet Appeals Board.

Sincerely,

Charles Star
Lead Counsel for Mr. Jack Pike (aka "Jason")

Attachment: BFM001 Appeal.pdf

Attachment: Email conversation between Charles and Bravo Fleet Magistrate.pdf

To: Bravo Fleet Appeals Board
From: Charles Star, lead counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)
Via: Bravo Fleet Magistrate (Sean Stephens)

Subject: Appeal of verdicts in Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001)

Date: June 12, 2020

In accordance with Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code Section 3, my client (Jack Pike) hereby appeals both guilty verdicts in the case of Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001). It is our contention that each of the two items below individually is enough to warrant overturning the recent convictions.

1. Process Error: The Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not follow his own plea deadline, thus not affording Mr. Pike with a proper opportunity to enter a plea

Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code Section 1 Paragraph 7 states: *"The Magistrate's office must issue a summary of charges to the accused, and offers the accused the opportunity to enter a plea of innocence or guilt. ..."*

On June 6, 2020, the Bravo Fleet Magistrate informed Mr. Pike of the charges against him via email. Within that email, regarding Mr. Pike's right to submit a plea, the Bravo Fleet Magistrate wrote: *"As part of the Magistrate Code, I am required to enter a plea for you of innocence or guilt. Please respond to this email within 48 hours indicating your plea, or I will move forward with the facts as presented. If no response is received by 7:12 pm Pacific Time on Monday, June 22, I will move forward with my findings."*

First, the two plea deadlines caused significant confusion. Second, a strict reading of the text clearly states that the Bravo Fleet Magistrate will move forward with the facts (i.e., continue with proceedings) if no plea is made within 48 hours (June 8, 2020). However, it also clearly states that the Bravo Fleet Magistrate will not move forward with findings (i.e., judgments) if a plea is not entered by June 22, 2020. The literal reading clearly gives Mr. Pike until June 22, 2020 to enter a plea to prevent a final judgment absent a plea. Beyond this, given the general confusion created, the later date should be followed to give all parties ample time to evaluate the facts.

On June 9, 2020, I introduced myself to the Bravo Fleet Magistrate as Mr. Pike's new lead counsel. Later in the email chain, I pointed out the deadline discrepancy. The Bravo Fleet Magistrate responded to that point with *"I will 100% own up to the fact that I entered the wrong date in my original email, and I sincerely apologize for the confusion that may have caused. That is absolutely on me."*

While the Bravo Fleet Magistrate acknowledged and claimed responsibility for the error, he did nothing to correct or remediate the problem. Instead, later that evening, he still released a guilty verdict a mere ~72 hours after informing Mr. Pike of the charges against him. Indeed, the Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not even inform Mr. Pike when the initial 48 hours had passed. Whether or not it was intended, the goalposts were moved.

In short, this uncorrected process error by the Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not give Mr. Pike the proper opportunity to enter a plea of innocence or guilt before the trial began (and was concluded).

2. Process Error: The Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not provide the defense with all relevant case information, thus not affording Mr. Pike with a proper opportunity to appeal

Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code Section 3 Paragraph 2 states: *"If the defendant or prosecution feels that an error has been made, they can write an appeal and present it to the Magistrate, who will in turn bring it before the appeals panel. Appeals cannot be trivial in nature, and must specifically point to the error(s) made. The appellant must find either an issue arising from Bravo Fleet documents or judicial process error."*

Despite two requests for full trial transcripts and documentation, the Bravo Fleet Magistrate has not provided my client or me with any information beyond the two exhibits (the exhibits were only provided after the second request). If both parties have a right to appeal based on an error, either in Bravo Fleet documents or the judicial process, they must have access to all documents and the entire judicial process.

It is impossible for the defense to fully exercise its right to appeal any errors with documentation when we don't know what other documents exist. It is impossible for the defense to fully exercise its right to appeal any errors of process when we are only privy to a small fraction of that process. Without access to a full trial transcript, we have zero visibility on the judicial process and no idea if other documents or evidence exists. As a result, we are functionally unable to scrutinize either.

To summarize, this uncorrected process error by the Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not give Mr. Pike the proper opportunity to submit an appeal based on the totality of information from trial.

Request that a new special Magistrate be appointed

If this appeal is successful, we also request that the Appeals Board assign the case to a new special Magistrate. The Bravo Fleet Magistrate has made numerous statements affirming his belief in Mr. Pike's guilt, including that new evidence would not change his mind. As such, we do not believe he is the right person to oversee future proceedings on this matter. This is not an attack on the Bravo Fleet Magistrate's character, but rather a simple fact of human nature.

"This case [Bravo Fleet V. Jack Pike] hardly needed to come across the Magistrate's desk, other than to be an exercise in administration." - MAGISTRATE DECISION: BFM-01

"Bravo Fleet will no longer stand idly by while malcontents utilize our resources to boost their numbers, and then depart over some perceived slight, or for no reason at all." - MAGISTRATE DECISION: BFM-01

“There is an admission of guilt in an email to the Commanding Officer of the Fleet. It is frankly laughable that anything else could be pertinent other than that.” – Bravo Fleet Magistrate, email from Sean Stephens to Charles Star, June 9, 2020.

Closing

My client and I have no doubt that a careful review of these facts will result in an overturned conviction and the case being assigned to a special Magistrate for its remainder. However, I must apologize for any spelling or grammatical mistakes that might exist in this document. The Bravo Fleet Magistrate yesterday gave us only 24 hours to submit any appeal. Regardless, thank for this opportunity to present our case at this level within one of the greatest simming fleets ever to exist.

Sincerely,

Charles Star
Lead Counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)

References:

[MAGISTRATE DECISION: BFM-01](#)

[BRAVO FLEET V. JACK PIKE \(BFM-001\)](#)

[Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code](#)

[Bravo Fleet Charter](#)

[Email conversation between Charles Star and Bravo Fleet Magistrate \(attached separately\)](#)

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From: **Elizabeth Wolf** <xo@bravofleet.com>

Date: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 8:12 PM

Subject: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>

Cc: <magistrate@bravofleet.com>, Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>

Mr. Pike,

Thank you for submitting your appeal for [Bravo Fleet Magistrate Case #001](#). The Bravo Fleet Appeals Panel has carefully examined the points of contention, ultimately reaching the following conclusions:

On the issue of "**Process Error: The Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not follow his own plea deadline, thus not affording Mr. Pike with a proper opportunity to enter a plea,**" the panel found that the Defense had the opportunity to enter a plea. The Defendant was informed of the charges on June 6, 2020, at 9:13 PM. The Defendant sent two replies to the Magistrate's email (on June 7, 2020 at 1:31 PM and again at 10:40 PM), within the 48-hour deadline, acknowledging the charges without entering a plea. The Defendant did not seek clarification on the deadline in either response.

On the issue of "**Process Error: The Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not provide the defense with all relevant case information, thus not affording Mr. Pike with a proper opportunity to appeal,**" the panel found that the Defense was provided enough information to mount a proper appeal. As per the Magistrate Code, the Defense does not have a right to the trial's transcript or the evidence used in the case. Despite this fact, the Magistrate publicly released all relevant information, including all evidence used against the Defendant (Exhibits A and B).

On the issue of **alleged bias from the Bravo Fleet Magistrate**, the panel found that the Magistrate acted in accordance with the Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code. The Defense used quotes from the Magistrate, taken out of context, to argue this issue. The panel found that the Magistrate's Opinion was formed after a thorough reading of the facts presented by both the Defender and the Investigator.

The panel has rejected your appeal for case BFM-001.

Disclaimer: I am not a member of the Bravo Fleet Appeals Panel, nor am I a representative of Bravo Fleet's judicial authority. As your counsel has expressed concern with the current Magistrate, I have been selected to inform you of the panel's decision.

Sincerely,

Admiral Elizabeth Wolf
Bravo Fleet Executive Officer
xo@bravofleet.com
Discord @Emily#6153

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Home – <https://bravofleet.com>
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Twitter – <https://twitter.bravofleet.com>
Discord – <https://discord.bravofleet.com>

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 11:02 AM

Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: Elizabeth Wolf <xo@bravofleet.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Your honor, we are undoubtedly disappointed in these decisions, and hereby file an appeal on an unrelated point.

Sincerely,

Attachment: BFM001 Appeal 2.pdf

To: Bravo Fleet Appeals Board

From: Charles Star, lead counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)

Via: Bravo Fleet Magistrate (Sean Stephens)

Via: Bravo Fleet Executive Officer (Elizabeth Wolf)

Subject: Second Appeal of verdicts in Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001)

Date: June 13, 2020

In accordance with Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code Section 3, my client (Jack Pike) hereby appeals both guilty verdicts in the case of Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001). It is our contention that this appeal not only warrants overturning the recent convictions, but also dismissing the charges entirely.

Judicial Process Error: The Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not have the jurisdiction to charge or convict Mr. Pike

The Bravo Fleet Charter and Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code do not provide a mechanism to charge or convict non-members, including ex-members. Indeed, the entire judicial system outlined only establishes a process to punish members. This process begins in Bravo Fleet Charter Article VI, Section 1, Paragraph 3: *"The Bravo Fleet Magistrate's office convenes to determine the guilt or innocence and appropriate punishment of a member accused of misconduct by their superiors."* The remainder of the Bravo Fleet Charter and the entire Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code are explicit and consistent in only providing a judicial process to punish members.

As it turns out, my client was not a member of Bravo Fleet when the initial charges were brought against him. Indeed, Mr. Pike and his game were both fired from Bravo Fleet by T'Vrell (aka Tia), the Bravo Fleet Loremaster and #3 officer in the fleet, on Saturday, June 6, 2020, 02:16:46 AM CDT (included below). Shortly after firing Mr. Pike, The Loremaster in the Bravo Fleet discord server confirmed closing the game (included below). Since Mr. Pike had no other

active characters in Bravo Fleet at the time of his dismissal and game closure, he would have no active membership left in Bravo Fleet. One might call this a “You can’t quit because you’re fired,” or a “You can’t fire me because I quit,” but regardless, the end result is the same: Mr. Pike is no longer a member.

The Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not charge Mr. Pike until much later in the day (included below). Indeed, Mr. Pike had already been fired from Bravo Fleet before the events in Exhibits A & B from the trial even occurred (both located in the trial record).

Since Mr. Pike was not a member of Bravo Fleet at the time he was charged and convicted, the Bravo Fleet Magistrate did not have proper jurisdiction to do either. As a result, both convictions should be overturned, and the charges dismissed.

Email from T’Vrell (aka Tia) to Jack Pike, firing him and his game from Bravo Fleet

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From: "lore@bravofleet.com" <lore@bravofleet.com>

To: <Jack Pike>

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020, 12:21:40 AM CDT

Subject: Fired

Just saw that you added your game to 22nd Fleet. You didn't contact me. You're fired, your game is removed from the BFMS as of right now, and you will not find yourself welcome in the Holodeck again.

Chat excerpt from the Bravo Fleet discord server



Email from Bravo Fleet Magistrate (Sean Stephens) to Jack Pike, informing him of the charges against him

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



Closing

My client and I were extremely disappointed that the anonymous Appeals Board rejected our last appeal. However, we have no doubt that a careful review of this record will result in an overturned conviction and all charges being dropped. Thank for the opportunity to present our case at this level within one of the greatest simming fleets ever to exist.

Sincerely,

Charles Star
Lead Counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)

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To: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>

Cc: Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Mr. Pike,

After conferring with the Bravo Fleet Magistrate, we will not be elevating your appeal to the Appeals Panel because it is factually incorrect. It unfortunately also demonstrates that the incompetence your counsel has shown throughout this process for Bravo Fleet's rules, regulations, and policies also extends to the most basic principles of our organization.

Your contention is based on the alleged fact that you were not, and currently are not, a member of Bravo Fleet. This is incorrect because you possess a Bravo Fleet Management System account, which you had when the charges were filed and continued to possess following the conclusion of the trial. You do not need to be on a simulation to be a member of Bravo Fleet. As such, you are a member of Bravo Fleet's Task Force 93, both protected by our rules and under the jurisdiction of the Bravo Fleet Magistrate.

The Loremaster did not, nor do they have the power to, remove a member from Bravo Fleet. As the USS New Hampshire was listed with your name on another organization's website, the Loremaster removed you from your Bravo Fleet command and stripped your access to the resources that come with the privilege of being a Game Manager. This action did not remove you from Bravo Fleet, and it was well within their power as the Admiralty member in charge of the Holodeck.

Disclaimer: I am not a member of Bravo Fleet's judicial authority. As your counsel has

expressed concern with the current Magistrate, I have been selected to inform you about this appeal.

Sincerely,

Admiral Elizabeth Wolf
Bravo Fleet Executive Officer
xo@bravofleet.com
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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 2:30 PM
Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001
To: Elizabeth Wolf <xo@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Your honor,

It is our position that refusing to forward my client's latest appeal to the Appeals Board is in violation of Magistrate Code Section 3, Paragraph 2:

"If the defendant or prosecution feels that an error has been made, they can write an appeal and present it to the Magistrate, who will in turn bring it before the appeals panel. Appeals cannot be trivial in nature, and must specifically point to the error(s) made. The appellant must find either an issue arising from Bravo Fleet documents or judicial process error."

The Magistrate Code explicitly states that the Magistrate "will" bring the appeal to the Appeals Panel. It provides no mechanism for the Magistrate to decline to forward any appeal. As such, it is up to the Appeals Board to weigh the validity of any appeal, not the Magistrate. In light of this, we request that your honor reconsider her position and forward the appeal to the Appeals Board as required.

Separately, given your honor's disparaging remark below about my client's counsel, we humbly request that your honor appoint another special Magistrate to oversee the remainder of these proceedings and that your honor recuse herself.

"It unfortunately also demonstrates that the incompetence your counsel has shown throughout this process for Bravo Fleet's rules, regulations, and policies also extends to the most basic principles of our organization."

Thank you again for your understanding and consideration.

Sincerely,

Charles Star
Lead Counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 4:16 PM

Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: Elizabeth Wolf <xo@bravofleet.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Your honor, my client would also like to file the attached appeal with the Appeals Panel.

Sincerely,

Charles Star

Attachment: BFM001 Appeal 3.pdf

To: Bravo Fleet Appeals Board

From: Charles Star, lead counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)

Via: Bravo Fleet Magistrate (Sean Stephens)

Via: Bravo Fleet Executive Officer (Elizabeth Wolf)

Subject: Third Appeal of verdicts in Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001)

Date: June 13, 2020

In accordance with Bravo Fleet Magistrate Code Section 3, my client (Jack Pike) hereby appeals both guilty verdicts in the case of Bravo Fleet v. Jack Pike (BFM-001). It is our contention that this appeal not only warrants overturning the recent convictions, but also dismissing the charges entirely.

Judicial Process Error: Public statements made by high ranking members of Bravo Fleet about the case before the charges were issued make a fair trial in Bravo Fleet impossible

Bravo Fleet Charter Article II, Section 1, Paragraph 4 guarantees a right to fair legal proceedings in Bravo Fleet: *“Every member has the right to a fair and impartial system of justice. All indictments, trials, and subsequent punishments will make no distinction between members based on tenure or position within Bravo Fleet.”*

Several senior members of Bravo Fleet made public statements about Mr. Pike and the situation before charges were brought. Indeed, all of these statements painted Mr. Pike and his situation in a negative light, thus tainting any possibility for fair legal proceedings within Bravo Fleet.

Bravo Fleet Loremaster: *“Well. Quick announcement. Just closed the USS New Hampshire. They moved their game to another fleet and didn’t actually contact me to resign. Folks, don’t do that.”*

Task Force 9 Commanding Officer: *“Making a decision like that without consulting the XO does seem like a particularly good piece of evidence of not having a very good CO, doesn’t it?”*

Bravo Fleet Commanding Officer: *“Seems like the CO is not a very effective communicator, then. ☹️”*

When senior leaders, be they Presidents, Generals, or Commanding Officers, make public comments about ongoing legal matters or the individuals involved in ongoing matters, those statements cannot be taken back. Unfortunately, they become part of the public psyche and can affect any future decisions made by judges or juries. Many people respect these leaders, and everyone under them is affected by their actions. While some judges or members of a jury may feel direct pressure to decide in a certain way based on the statements, other may still be affected unconsciously. In short, the cat is out of the bag.

So it is in Bravo Fleet. Many people respect these Bravo Fleet leaders, and everyone in Bravo Fleet is affected by their actions. They have accomplished a lot in their time. In fact, the future role playing careers of members may very well be dependent upon the actions taken by these three leaders. We do not allege any malintent on the part of these individuals. However, any comments regarding the case or Mr. Pike by leaders in any official capacity with Bravo Fleet should have been saved for when the trial was completed and all appeals had been exhausted.

Since Mr. Pike was publicly disparaged by three senior members of Bravo Fleet regarding the very matters of this case before it even began, it is impossible for Mr. Pike to receive a fair trial in Bravo Fleet as he is guaranteed in the Bravo Fleet Charter. Therefore, both convictions should be overturned, and the charges immediately dismissed.

Conversation on Bravo Fleet discord server, June 6, 2020

9:12



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Jun 6, 2020



Leah | CA: Comms Jun 6, 2020 1:12 AM

Whats up everyone?



Tia, Loremaster Jun 6, 2020 1:22 AM

Well. Quick announcement. Just closed the USS New Hampshire. They moved their game to another fleet and didn't actually contact me to resign. Folks, don't do that.\



Leah | CA: Comms Jun 6, 2020 1:23 AM

blinks



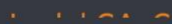
Leah | CA: Comms Jun 6, 2020 1:30 AM

head hits desk trying to get a log done and i am getting sidetracked
my brain is going every which way but where I want it to go...



Tia, Loremaster Jun 6, 2020 1:35 AM

That's always fun



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Tia, Loremaster Jun 6, 2020 1:35 AM

That's always fun



Leah | CA: Comms Jun 6, 2020 1:35 AM

it's been like that for the past week lol
well i made it farther then I have all week though
😂



Tia, Loremaster Jun 6, 2020 1:53 AM

Gratz!



Leah | CA: Comms Jun 6, 2020 1:55 AM

only cause I thought up something to throw the
story for a small lop 🤪



Leah | CA: Comms Jun 6, 2020 2:08 AM

Went from 300 words that I couldn't get past all
week to 1200 words so far 📝



Some old guy Jun 6, 2020 3:13 AM

Captains Log, Stardate... oh forget it. I can't do it
anymore. I never wanted to be a captain. I wanted
to be... a LUMBERJACK!



McGig Jun 6, 2020 3:15 AM



Message #holodeck



9:12



holodeck



McGig Jun 6, 2020 3:15 AM

He's a jumberjack and he's okay!



Tara Jun 6, 2020 11:53 AM

If the new Hampshire moved to another fleet thats news to me as I'm the xo.



David | TF9CO Jun 6, 2020 11:57 AM

Making a decision like that without consulting the XO does seem like a particularly good piece of evidence of not being a very good CO, doesn't it?



Teylas Ramar | BFCO Jun 6, 2020 12:04 PM

If the new Hampshire moved to another fleet thats news to me as I'm the xo.

@Tara Well, it did. We found out last night when we saw it on their website.



Tara Jun 6, 2020 12:05 PM

wow what a blind side as trust me i had no idea they'd moved.



Teylas Ramar | BFCO Jun 6, 2020 12:05 PM

Some like the CO is not a very effective



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Teylas Ramar | BFCO Jun 6, 2020 12:05 PM

Seems like the CO is not a very effective communicator, then. 😊



KyleB Jun 6, 2020 12:06 PM

@Tara sorry that happened to you. 😞. Thats not fair. They should have asked your input.



Tara Jun 6, 2020 12:06 PM

i'm not one to bad mouth anyone as i got blind sided on my job yesterday.



Leah | CA: Comms Jun 6, 2020 12:10 PM

Oh boy that not good 😞



Tara Jun 6, 2020 12:13 PM

not its not.

i was lied to and i workd for a church



KyleB Jun 6, 2020 12:14 PM

sorry to hear that. I hope you will be OK



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KyleB Jun 6, 2020 12:14 PM

sorry to hear that. I hope you will be OK



Tara Jun 6, 2020 12:14 PM

i will be once i get over being upset/ i really loved that job, the only job i'd had that i really liked



KyleB Jun 6, 2020 12:15 PM

well, sending you good vibes. so sorry. 😞 I hope you can find something similar that treats you better.



Tara Jun 6, 2020 12:16 PM

thanks, i was the secretary for the past 5 1/2 years



KyleB Jun 6, 2020 12:17 PM

its impressive! good for you!



Tara Jun 6, 2020 12:17 PM

thanks

Jun 7, 2020



MJ Jun 7, 2020 6:28 AM



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Closing

We have no doubt that a careful review of this record will result in an overturned conviction and all charges being dropped. Thank for the opportunity to present our case at this level within one of the greatest simming fleets ever to exist. We again appreciate this consideration.

Sincerely,

Charles Star
Lead Counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)

References:

[MAGISTRATE DECISION: BFM-01](#)

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From: **Elizabeth Wolf** <xo@bravofleet.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 4:17 PM

Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>

Cc: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>, Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>

Mr. Pike,

Section 3, Paragraph 2 of the Magistrate Code states that "**Appeals cannot be trivial in nature, and must specifically point to the error(s) made. The appellant must find either an issue arising from Bravo Fleet documents or judicial process error.**" Your latest appeal is trivial in nature as it does not pertain to the facts or judicial process of the case, as such the Magistrate was well within his rights to refuse your appeal.

For further clarification, please familiarize yourself with Article III, Section 4 of the Bravo Fleet Charter: "**Members of Bravo Fleet are either members of the Reserves or members of a Task Force.**" You are a member of Bravo Fleet's Task Force 93, and you are still listed as such under your Bravo Fleet account. You have not requested a dossier deletion, and if you did so now the case would still stand as you were a member

when the charges were filed. If you request a dossier deletion, which is well within your right, you will lose all rights afforded to you under our judicial process, including the right to appeal the Magistrate's decision.

As I have stated in my previous emails, I am not affiliated with Bravo Fleet's judicial authority. I am not a special Magistrate, nor do I have the power to appoint a special Magistrate to this case. I was selected to communicate on behalf of the Magistrate as your counsel has expressed concern with communication from the Magistrate's Office. I will also add that I am the last person in the Chain of Command capable of serving in this capacity. If still you wish for my recusal, the case will be deferred back to the Bravo Fleet Magistrate's Office.

Sincerely,

Admiral Elizabeth Wolf
Bravo Fleet Executive Officer
xo@bravofleet.com
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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 4:56 PM
Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001
To: Elizabeth Wolf <xo@bravofleet.com>
Cc: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Thank you, your honor.

I think I may be miscommunicating our contention on this subject.

Yes, we understand and agree that someone becomes a member when they create a Bravo Fleet Management system account. That point is not in dispute. We also fully understand your position that Mr. Pike was still a member after The Loremaster's actions. We disagree. However, we do agree that the process you broadly outlined is a path for a member to leave Bravo Fleet. We are also of the opinion that regardless of the The Loremaster's authority, she did take the action to fire Mr. Pike and his game from Bravo Fleet: That was the clear and explicit message that Mr. Pike received from The Loremaster, which was never

corrected or overridden by anyone else in Bravo Fleet before proceedings began. We understand your position here, but reasonable minds can disagree. As such, we do not think this is a trivial matter.

To the second point, I think I also miscommunicated that: Even if this were a trivial matter (an opinion, to which we strongly disagree), according to the Magistrate Code, that is for the Appeals Panel to decide, not the Magistrate. The code explicitly states that the Magistrate "will" bring appeals to the Appeals Panel, with no exception given. The code then describes the avenues appeals should pursue for potential success.

I hope that clarifies our position on this issue. If not, I can certainly try again. If this does convince you to forward our appeal to the Appeal Panel, we request that you also include the second paragraph from this email ("Yes, we understand...") to prevent any possible miscommunication on that point with the Panel.

Sincerely,

Charles Star

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From: **Elizabeth Wolf** <xo@bravofleet.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 5:05 PM

Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>

Cc: Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>, <co@bravofleet.com>

Mr. Pike,

I will refer you to my previous email: Section 3, Paragraph 2 of the Magistrate Code states that **"Appeals cannot be trivial in nature, and must specifically point to the error(s) made. The appellant must find either an issue arising from Bravo Fleet documents or judicial process error."** As your last two appeals are trivial in nature and have not been affected by or included in the judicial process of this case, we are no longer willing to entertain appeals on this case.

Both the Magistrate's decision and the findings of the Appeals Panel stands as is, and your sentence will not be overturned.

Thank you for your time,

Admiral Elizabeth Wolf
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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 7:50 PM

Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: Elizabeth Wolf <xo@bravofleet.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>, <Jack Pike>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>, <co@bravofleet.com>

We again object to your honor not addressing the points we made in the last email and the removal of the sentence immediately preceding the text your honor quoted. We do appreciate that at least one of our three appeals made it to the Appeals Board, but naturally we are disappointed with its result. Overall, we still object to what we consider to be a gross miscarriage of justice. It is our opinion that almost any disinterested individual would agree.

Nonetheless, we do acknowledge that Bravo Fleet is free to exercise within its walls whatever form of justice it sees fit. We also acknowledge that Bravo Fleet will no longer be accepting appeals in this case less than one week after my client was initially notified of the charges.

We do request that our appeals, their rejections, and all correspondence that we have been a part of regarding this matter be added to the public and official record of [BRAVO FLEET V. JACK PIKE \(BFM-001\)](#). If desired, I can assist with this effort.

Please do not contact my client directly for any matter related to this case or Bravo Fleet. Instead direct all of those communications to me.

We wish you well.

Sincerely,

Charles Star

Lead Counsel for Jack Pike (aka Jason)

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From: **Teylas Ramar** <teylasramar@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 7:55 PM

Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: <Jack Pike>

Cc: Elizabeth Wolf <xo@bravofleet.com>, Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>, <Jack Pike>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>, <co@bravofleet.com>

Mr. Pike,

We confirm receipt of your requests.

Signed,



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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 7:56 PM

Subject: Re: Response to Jack Pike's Appeal on Case BFM-001

To: Teylas Ramar <teylasramar@gmail.com>

Cc: <Jack Pike>, Elizabeth Wolf <xo@bravofleet.com>, <Jack Pike>, Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>, <co@bravofleet.com>

Thank you.

Charles Star

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 8:11 PM

Subject: Bravo Fleet Magistrate webpages

To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Hi Sean,

It looks like there might be a potential error on the Bravo Fleet Magistrate webpages. When I

view them, it's only showing me as the defense counsel and no longer showing dizzyg1970, who handled the case through the verdicts.

Thanks,

Charles

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From: **Bravo Fleet Magistrate** <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 11:09 PM

Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate webpages

To: Charles Star <star.idf@gmail.com>

I'm sure you can write this version of the Bremer Report without it.

-Sean

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From: **Charles Star** <star.idf@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Jun 14, 2020 at 8:57 AM

Subject: Re: Bravo Fleet Magistrate webpages

To: Bravo Fleet Magistrate <magistrate@bravofleet.com>

Sean,

Hey, not a bad idea!

But seriously, I played no part in the original conviction and the original defender did not "recuse" herself until after the conviction. You do not have my permission to use my name in connection to the trial pre-conviction because I was not permitted to participate in it. However, feel free (for now) to use my name in connection to the appeals and everything else post-conviction.

If the original defender also doesn't want her name on it, it's probably more accurate just to leave the space blank.

Charles