

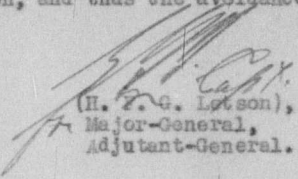
19th August, 1943.

District Officer Commanding,
Military District No. 7,
SAINT JOHN, N.B.

RE: DISTRICT COURT-MARTIAL
A.600140 Cnr. Walter J. LUCKEY,
3rd (NB) Coast Regiment, R.C.A., C.A.

Reference J/38-L-1206 dated 28th July, 1943.

2. The explanation of the delay in this case is now accepted as satisfactory and the correspondence previously requested is dispensed with.
3. Your letters dated 25th and 27th, May, 1943, do not appear upon the file relating to these proceedings.
4. It must be understood, of course, that in dispensing with the forwarding of the correspondence in this case that no general rule to that effect is being laid down.
5. In numerous cases the correspondence is most important in determining where the responsibility for the delay lies. Such requests as this are not made for the purpose of adding unnecessary work, but for the purpose of properly and carefully determining whether or not disciplinary action should be taken against the person or persons responsible for the delay. That, of course, is a matter of great importance and perhaps serious consequences to someone, and cannot be effectively and fairly dealt with without careful and searching inquiry as to the facts.
6. Moreover, the correspondence frequently reveals the fact that matters of procedure are being incorrectly dealt with and affords the opportunity of direction and correction, and thus the avoidance of repetition.


(H. F. G. Lawson),
Major-General,
Adjutant-General.

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