

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

in the case of

No. B-11772 Private Vernon Arthur BEST, A-19 CASC TC CA., Camp Borden, Ontario, a G.S. soldier of the Canadian Army placed on Active Service, charged with:-

J. Graham
DISTRICT STATING OFFICER - PRESIDENT

ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE

The accused's rights in respect to a Summary of Evidence are explained to him.

The Commandant, directs that the evidence be taken on oath.

B-56239 Pte. (A/Cpl.) Snell E.R., A-19 CASC TC CA having been duly sworn states:

FIRST WITNESS

"I am B-56239 Private (A/Cpl.) Snell E.R., No. 6 Coy (TS) A-19 CASC TC CA, Camp Borden, Ontario, to which company the accused is attached, I identify the accused as the person who was absent without leave from 0615 hours 25 Apr 44 to 0110 hours 15 May 44. I herewith present the following documents which refer to the accused B-11772 Private Best V.A.

- (1) Pt. II Order #104A d/30 Apr 44.
- (2) MEM 215 d/15 May 44.
- (3) MEM 1481 d/31 Aug 44.

The abovementioned documents were read over to the accused and marked Exhibit "A", "B", and "C" respectively.

E.R. Snell
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(B-56239 Pte. (A/Cpl.) Snell E.R.)

The accused declines to cross-examine the witness.

Question to the Accused

Do you wish to make any statement, or to give evidence upon oath? You are not obliged to say anything or give evidence unless you wish to do so, but whatever you say or any evidence you will give will be taken down in writing, and may be given in evidence.

Answer by the Accused.

"I have nothing to say".

V.A. Best
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(B-11772 Pte. Best V.A.)

The accused declines to call any witnesses on his own behalf. Rules of procedure 4 (c), (d), (e) and (f) have been complied with. Taken down by me in the presence of the accused at Camp Borden, Ontario this 2nd day of Sep 44.

J. Graham
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(J.G. Graham) Lieutenant,
No. 6 Coy (TS),
A-19 CASC TC CA,
Camp Borden, Ont.,
Officer detailed to take
Summary of Evidence.