US Army Legal Investigation – Pre-Investigation Plan

Review appointment memorandum as Investigating Officer (IO) to determine purpose and scope of investigation, points of contact for assistance, and the nature of the findings and recommendations required.

Receive initial brief from the Judge Advocate General (JAG) and the Inspector General (IG) as required.

Required background information -

Witnesses to be interviewed

- 1. Advise civilians belonging to a collective bargaining unit that they can have a union representative present.
- 2. No one may assert the rights (under Article 31 UCMJ or the Fifth Amendment) to protect anyone other than him or herself. These rights cannot be invoked to avoid questioning on matters that do not involve violations of criminal law.
- 3. Communications which may not be considered privileged (husband/wife, clergy), polygraph tests (without subject permission), bad faith unlawful searches, involuntary statements regarding origin, incurrence or aggravation of a disease or injury, and involuntary statements (coerced, tricked).
- 4. "Off the record" statements are not authorized.
- 5. Investigating officer authority does not include power to subpoena civilian records.

Area 1

Date	Time	Name	Location	Pre-interview notes

Area 2

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Area 3

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Area 5

Area 4

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All information assembled -