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MANLY, STEWART & FINALDI ANNOUNCE \$1,885,000 JURY VERDICT IN HAGAN VS. ARMY and NAVY ACADEMY ALLEGED CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT CASE

Irvine, California – Attorneys representing Delco Hunter Hagan, a former student at the Army and Navy Academy in Carlsbad, California, announced a favorable jury verdict in the alleged sexual assault case. The jury found Army and Navy Academy and its former employee Juan Munoz liable on all causes of action for \$1,885,000 in compensatory and punitive damages. The Army and Navy Academy was found to be 70% liable.

This civil suit alleged that Juan Munoz, who was employed by the Army and Navy Academy to “run its military programs” sexually assaulted and molested Delco Hunter Hagan, a student and a minor. The lawsuit alleged that in November 2006, Munoz went to Hagan’s room at the academy, plied him with alcohol to the point of passing out, and sexually assaulted him.

“The jury’s verdict sends a strong message to our schools and those who educate our children. You must protect the children under your care and immediately report any suspected abuse the authorities or you will be held accountable and severely punished,” said attorney and victim’s advocate Vince Finaldi.

Jeffrey Barton, who served as Army and Navy Academy Headmaster as the time of Munoz’s alleged sexual assaults, was himself found guilty of six felony counts of forced sex with a minor on June 5, 2017.

Manly, Stewart & Finaldi represents several alleged victims of Barton in civil suits against the Army and Navy Academy which have not yet gone to trial.

[Manly, Stewart & Finaldi](#) is California’s leading law firm representing child victims of sexual abuse. The firm has represented more than 150 victims of clergy sexual abuse in California and hundreds of others throughout the United States. The firm also represented plaintiffs in the \$140,000,000 settlement against LAUSD in the Miramonte case, the largest sex abuse settlement against a School District in the US.