

Mitchell Vance Marksberry - NOT A SEAL

Due to his position as a Boone County Sheriff, the sources that contacted us did so by anonymous telephone calls. We were first provided with photos of his license plates - which show without question that he is claiming to have been a SEAL.



We verified through DMV that these plates do belong to vehicles registered to Mitchell Marksberry.

Things got confusing when a FOIA request brought back records. A [letter](#) from the National Personnel Records Center dated August 20, 2003 contained several pages.

First, a report on the fitness of Officers dated June 12, 1987 showed him at NAVSPECWARCEN from 86MAY14 to 87MAY29, but another dated Jul 17, 1987 showed him at SPECBOATU TWELVE from 87MAR18 to 87MAY30. How can that be??? Click [here](#) to see these.

Page [two](#) of the papers from the FOIA indicated: BASIC UDT/SEAL TRAINING CLASS 141 - but we did not have him on our database.

It took a bit of work but we finally got an official letter from the Department of the Navy, Naval Special Warfare Center indicating he had been dropped from training and never become a SEAL. How he got some admin person to add that to his record, I guess we'll never know. What we DO know is that he was never a SEAL... and HE knows it too!

11/07/2003 FRI 15:06 FAX

001/001



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL SPECIAL WARFARE CENTER
2446 TRIDENT WAY
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92155-5404

Code N5
3 Nov 03

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Special Warfare Center
To: Whom it may concern

Subj: VERIFICATION OF BASIC UNDERWATER DEMOLITION/SEAL
TRAINING ICO MITCHELL V. MARKSBERRY, 406-78-5727

1. Naval Special Warfare Center records indicate subject named member attended Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training from June 3, 1986 to May 29, 1987. Member was dropped from training for performance reasons on January 12, 1987 and did not graduate this course of instruction.

2. According to our records Mr. Marksberry never received the SEAL designation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. T. Walsh", written over a horizontal line.

H. T. WALSH
Commander, U.S. Navy
Director of Training
By direction