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WEST POINT, N.Y. – A five-member panel, consisting of members of the U.S. Military Academy’s staff and faculty, returned a verdict of not guilty for Lukas M. Saul, Class of 2015, who was charged with sexually assaulting a woman classmate.

The charges alleged that Saul engaged in inappropriate contact with a woman cadet without her consent on three separate occasions both on and off West Point property between March and December 2012.

Saul was charged with one violation of Article 120 [Uniform Code of Military Justice](#) (Aggravated Sexual Assault), one violation of Article 120 (Sexual Assault), and one violation of Article 125 (Sodomy).

“West Point takes all allegations very seriously,” said Director of Public Affairs Lt. Col. Chris Kasker. “In this particular case, a court-martial was held to find the truth. All the facts were presented in a full and open hearing and the issue was resolved in a manner consistent with military law and due process requirements.”

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