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Saratoga Springs Commanding Officer Relieved

Norfolk, VA (CNRMA) – Cmdr. Laredo Bell, Commanding Officer of Naval Support Activity (NSA), Saratoga Springs, New York, was relieved of command today by Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic due to a loss of confidence in his ability to command.

Bell was cited by Albany County, New York Sherriff Department for driving under the influence early morning, August 20.

Bell has been temporarily assigned to Naval Submarine Base New London, Conn., pending adjudication of the citation in civilian court.

Cmdr. Rosario McWhorter, Deputy Commander, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Kittery, Maine has assumed command of NSA Saratoga Springs until a permanent relief is identified.

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