



Playing By the Rules

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Queer Mojo (A Rebel Satori Imprint). Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 260 pages. Dimensions: 8.4in. x 5.5in. x 0.7in. The military has lots of rules and they are all expected to be followed. United States Marine Corps Sergeant Justin Elzie, wanting to make a difference, followed a rule of integrity and came out publicly on ABC Evening World News in January 1993. He became the first Marine discharged under Dont Ask, Dont Tell, and later reinstated, becoming the first Marine to challenge Dont Ask, Dont Tell with a Federal Court Case and went on to serve four years openly gay. Justin Elzie takes you on a journey of self-discovery from his early years growing up on a farm in Wyoming to joining the Marine Corps and finding an underground gay subculture within the military. He was described by his superiors as an exemplary Marine with two meritorious promotions, being named Marine of the Year and having served as an American Embassy Guard. After coming out he was recommended for promotion and served as a Platoon Sergeant in charge of Marines on a ship and in the field. He testified at the Senate Hearings opposite General Schwarzkopf, participated in the MTV show...



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