

# First Military Punishment: How an Honorable Man Receives a Beating (1776)

## Abstract

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Frederick II of Prussia (r. 1740-86) felt that guidelines for punishment were necessary in shaping an efficient fighting force. Here, punishment is administered to a stoically composed delinquent. The scene is meant to depict “civilizing” discipline.

## Source

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