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humorous anecdotes. Known for making puns and flipping one liners even over tactical frequencies, he has earned many reprimands and has even lost a promotion or two because of his stream-of-consciousness sense of humor—even though his tone is rarely disrespectful toward his superiors and comrades. Despite the trouble he makes for himself, however, Chuck Stepp seems perfectly content with his current role.

NAME: CHUCK STEPP

Record No  
FP-144-01FACTION: Swordsworn  
REGIMENT: Prince's Men  
'MECH: GriffinDOB: 01/03/3093  
HAIR: None  
EYES: Gray

A born practical joker and a one-time stand-up comedian in better days, Charles Stepp (who answers only to "Chuck") is a man who never seems to take anything in life too seriously—even himself. Indeed, Stepp's brief-but-doomed marriage to Tracy Lark (a famous actress on his home world of Tigress), his run-ins with the law in wilder days, his service in the Basalt Militia, and even the degeneration of The Republic after the collapse of the HPG grid have all been subjects of his improvised rants and

## Commentary

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A classic dating back to the original Star League, the *Griffin* has always been the defining workhorse of BattleMechs. Possessing excellent maneuverability, solid armor protection, and an effective mix of missile and energy weapons, *Griffins* have served in every conceivable role, equally at home as heavy scouts or support units for heavy and assault forces.

LC7140-41G ("Dancing Joker") is a light-engine retrofit of a *Griffin* that first rolled off assembly lines in the 3020s. Its history includes several battles in the War of 3039, the Clan Invasion, and even the FedCom Civil War. Upgraded during the Steiner-Davion conflict, this machine was among the defenders on Coventry when the Word of Blake launched its Jihad in 3067. Captured in that assault by the zealots, the machine was later reclaimed by Stone's coalition and absorbed into The Republic after the war's end.

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'MECH: GRIFFIN

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Serial Number: LC7140-41G  
Mass: 55 tons  
Chassis: Earthwerks GRF Endo Steel  
Power Plant: Defiance 275 Light  
Fusion Engine  
Cruising Speed: 54 kph  
Maximum Speed: 86 kph  
Jump Jets: Rawlings 55  
Jump Capacity: 150 meters  
Armor: Starshield A w/CASE  
Armament:  
1 Cyclops XII ER Large Laser  
2 RamTech 1500Z ER Medium Lasers  
1 Coventry StarFire Long-Range  
Missile Pack 15 with Artemis