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MEDIA RELEASE

Chairperson Jackie N Williams announced the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (KS•CPOST) took disciplinary action against the following individuals:

- On November 14, 2005, the law enforcement certification of **CALEB L CLEMENT**, 26 years of age, of Horton, Kansas, was **revoked**. CLEMENT, formerly employed by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, had his certification rescinded after entering into a diversionary agreement for Domestic Battery in the Jackson County District Court. Under Kansas law, a person who enters into a diversionary agreement for a crime of domestic violence cannot retain his/her law enforcement certification.
- On December 30, 2005, the law enforcement officer certification of **JOHN P ZAPPA**, 38 years of age of Joplin, Missouri, was **revoked**. ZAPPA, formerly with the Columbus, Kansas, Police Department, surrendered his certification for a violation of the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Act in that he violated the moral character standard for reckless battery, leaving the scene of an accident and driving under the influence of alcohol.

The Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (KS•CPOST), a 12-member body appointed by the Governor, oversees law enforcement training and officer standards in the State of Kansas. Among many duties and responsibilities is that of granting certification to all Kansas full and part-time officers who meet the qualifications for certification.

The Commission may suspend, revoke, or deny the certification of a police or law enforcement officer who fails to meet the requirements of the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Act or has met such requirements by falsifying documents or failing to disclose information required for certification.

The Commission has an investigative process to follow-up on reports of alleged Training Act violations. Procedures are in place to actively make inquiries into reports of officers failing to meet the requirements of the Training Act or to investigate allegations of falsifying documents to meet the requirements. Investigations are also conducted in matters relating to law enforcement officer standards.

Alleged violations can be reported to the Commission in writing to PO Box 632, Hutchinson, Ks 67504-0632, faxing (620) 694-1440, by calling (620) 694-1526, or sending an e-mail to invs@kscpost.org.

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