



**BEFORE THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS'  
STANDARDS AND TRAINING**

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In the Matter of )  
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**ROBERT WARD** )  
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**Case No. 2019-0181**

**SUMMARY ORDER OF REVOCATION**

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537

The above-captioned matter comes on for Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (Commission) action through a summary proceeding under the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act, K.S.A. 77-537, regarding the law enforcement certification of ROBERT WARD (Respondent).

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

1. Respondent holds a full-time law enforcement certification from the Commission, certification number 19340.
2. Respondent was employed as a full-time law enforcement officer with the Kansas City Kansas Police Department from October 2, 2000 to July 8, 2019.
3. On August 29, 2018, Respondent was drinking alcohol at a bar when he began to argue with LM. Respondent threw some beer on a pillar and created a disturbance. A bar employee, DH, informed Respondent that he

needed to leave. LM asked DH if she could wait in the server area as she was frightened of Respondent. DH allowed LM to go to the server area. Respondent attempted to push past DH to get to LM. Respondent flashed his law enforcement badge at DH and indicated that he had a gun while reaching toward his waist. While doing so, Respondent made comments indicating that he could do what he wanted as a cop and that he would use his gun. Another bar employee, KB, was present when Respondent did so. DH, LM, and KB were afraid that they would be physically harmed by Respondent.

4. Based on his conduct on August 29, 2018, Respondent was charged in the District Court of Johnson County, Case Number 19CR81, with one count of criminal threat, contrary to K.S.A. 21-5415, one count of possession of a firearm under the influence, contrary to K.S.A. 21-6332, one count of disorderly conduct, contrary to K.S.A. 21-6203, and three counts of assault, contrary to K.S.A. 21-5412. On July 2, 2019, Respondent entered a guilty plea, and was convicted of possession of a firearm under the influence and three counts of assault.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

### Criminal Conduct

5. Pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5616(b)(5), the Commission may revoke the certification of any police or law enforcement officer who engages in conduct which, if charged as a crime, would constitute a felony crime under the laws of this state, a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence as defined in the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Act at the time the conduct occurred, or a misdemeanor crime that the Commission determines reflects on the honesty, trustworthiness, integrity or competence of the applicant as defined by rules and regulations of the Commission.
6. K.A.R. 106-2-2a(a)(5) states that pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5616 and amendments thereto, an applicant or officer shall not engage in conduct, whether or not charged

as a crime or resulting in a conviction, that would constitute assault, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5412 and amendments thereto.

7. On August 29, 2018, Respondent engaged in conduct that constituted assault.

#### Good Moral Character

8. Pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5616(b)(1) the Commission may revoke the certification of a police or law enforcement officer who fails to meet and maintain the requirements of K.S.A. 74-5605 or 74-5607a, and amendments thereto.
9. K.S.A. 74-5605(b)(5) states that each applicant for certification shall be of good moral character sufficient to warrant the public trust in the applicant as a police officer or law enforcement officer.
10. K.A.R. 106-2-4(a) defines good moral character as including the personal traits or qualities of integrity, honesty, upholding the laws of the state and nation, conduct that warrants the public trust, and upholding the oath required for certification as specified in K.A.R. 106-3-6.
11. Pursuant to K.A.R. 106-2-4(b), any single incident or event may suffice to show that an applicant or licensee lacks or has failed to maintain good moral character.
12. Respondent's conduct demonstrates a lack of good moral character sufficient to warrant the public trust in the applicant as a police officer or law enforcement officer.

#### Summary Proceedings

13. Under K.S.A. 77-537, the Commission may conduct these summary proceedings, subject to Respondent's request for a hearing. The Commission finds that the use of summary proceedings in these circumstances does not violate any provisions of law and the protection of the public interest does not require the Commission to give notice and opportunity to participate to any person other than Respondent.

**ORDER**


Based on these Statement of Facts and Conclusions of Law, the Commission orders that the Kansas Law Enforcement Officer Certification of ROBERT WARD be revoked.

ACCORDINGLY, THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF ROBERT WARD IS HEREBY REVOKED.

FURTHER, Respondent is ordered to surrender and return to the Commission all evidence of his certification as a law enforcement officer.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

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Jeff Herrig  
Chair, Investigative Committee

**NOTICE OF RELIEF FROM THIS SUMMARY ORDER**

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, the Summary Order is subject to your request for a hearing. If you desire a hearing, you must direct a written request for a hearing to the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, 1999 N. Amidon, Suite 350, Wichita, Kansas 67203. This written request must be filed within fifteen (15) days from the date indicated in the Certificate of Service below. If a written request for hearing is not so made, this Summary Order becomes final and effective upon the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019, true and correct copies of the above and foregoing Summary Order of Revocation were deposited in the United States mail, certified, return receipt requested, and deposited in the United States mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to:

ROBERT WARD



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rose Ann Ohmart".

Rose Ann Ohmart  
Senior Administrative Assistant  
Kansas Commission on Peace Officers'  
Standards and Training