

BEFORE THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING

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In the Matter of)		
RICK CRAIG #3361)))	Case No. 2019-0142	

SUMMARY ORDER OF REVOCATION

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537

The above-captioned matter comes on for Commission action through a summary proceeding under the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act, K.S.A. 77-537, regarding the law enforcement certification of RICK CRAIG (Respondent).

STATEMENT OF FACTS

- Respondent holds a full-time law enforcement certification from the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (Commission), certification number 3361.
- 2. Respondent was employed as a full-time law enforcement officer with the Wichita Police Department (WPD) from February 9, 1987 to April 12, 2019.
- 3. Between June 4, 2018 and August 17, 2018, while working at the WPD, Respondent entered a female co-worker's office. Respondent approached the co-worker as she sat at her desk. Without permission, Respondent placed his open hand over the co-worker's mouth and used his other hand to push her back in her desk chair. Respondent then kissed

the back of his own hand as it was placed over his co-worker's mouth. Respondent did so knowingly and in a rude manner.

4. Based on Respondent's actions as enumerated in paragraph three, he was criminally charged in the Eighteenth Judicial District, Sedgwick County, Case Number 19CR868. On October 1, 2019, Respondent entered an Agreement for Pretrial Diversion on one count of battery, contrary to K.S.A. 21-5413.

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)(6) 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 battery, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5413, and amendments thereto.
- 7. Respondent's conduct constitutes 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. Respondent's conduct constitutes battery.

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 shows that he lacks the personal qualities of integrity, honesty, upholding the laws of the state, conduct that warrants the public trust, and upholding the oath required for certification.

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 the above Statement of Facts and Conclusions of Law, the Commission orders that the Kansas Law Enforcement Officer Certification of RICK CRAIG be revoked.

ACCORDINGLY, THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF RICK CRAIGIS 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 6th day of

KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING

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 day of day of _______, 2020, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Summary Order of Revocation was deposited in the United States mail, certified, return receipt requested, and deposited in the United States mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to:

RICK CRAIG

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