



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

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In the Matter of)	
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LEVI SEACAT)	Case No. 2021-0133
#30610)	
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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 LEVI SEACAT (Respondent).

STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. Respondent holds a full-time law enforcement certification from the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (Commission), certification number 30610.
2. Respondent was employed as a full-time law enforcement officer with the Liberal Police Department (LPD) from June 18, 2018, to March 11, 2021.
3. In January 2021, Respondent was dispatched to conduct a welfare check on a young child. An anonymous caller reported that the child's mother and two males who live in the home deal methamphetamine and smoke it around the child; that the child complained of pain to

her genitalia; and that an older child was previously removed from the mother's care due to her drug use.

4. Respondent contacted the mother at her residence. He did not speak with the child or look her over. Respondent seemed to focus much of his contact on the odor of marijuana in the home. Respondent told the mother, who eventually admitted to smoking marijuana earlier, that he was going to make a DCF report regarding the odor of marijuana but that he would also indicate that the children are fine.
5. Respondent submitted a five-sentence synopsis on the call indicating that he made contact with the child, who appeared fine and seemed healthy, and that DCF was notified. An LPD sergeant reviewed Respondent's synopsis and returned it to him with instructions to add more details or complete a narrative about the call. However, nearly two months later, Respondent had neither followed-up with the child or her mother nor supplemented his written synopsis with more detail.
6. Respondent never submitted a report to DCF despite his assertions to the mother and in his synopsis that he would do so.
7. The LPD opened an investigation regarding Respondent's conduct on the check welfare call. Respondent claimed that he wanted to complete a follow-up interview but admitted he neither completed follow-up nor submitted a report to DCF. Respondent's written synopsis, statements during the interval investigation, and bodycam footage were inconsistent.
8. Based on the information in paragraphs three through seven, a Commission interview with Respondent was necessary to determine his continued suitability for law enforcement certification.
9. Commission Investigator George Brown scheduled an interview with Respondent for July 27, 2021. Notice of the interview was mailed to Respondent's last known address via

Certified Mail with Restricted Delivery. Respondent signed for the notice on July 12, 2021, but did not appear for the interview. Investigator Brown attempted to contact Respondent after the missed interview, but Respondent was non-responsive.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Failure to Cooperate in Commission Investigation

10. Pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5616(b)(3), the Commission may revoke the certification of a police or law enforcement officer who provides false information or otherwise fails to cooperate in a Commission investigation to determine a person's continued suitability for law enforcement certification.
11. Respondent failed to cooperate in a Commission investigation to determine his continued suitability for law enforcement certification.

Unprofessional Conduct

12. Pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5616(b)(7), the Commission may revoke the certification of any police or law enforcement officer who has engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations of the Commission.
13. K.A.R. 106-2-3(i) defines unprofessional conduct as failing to report, in the manner required by the Revised Kansas Code for Care of Children, reasonable suspicion that a child has been harmed as a result of physical, mental, or emotional abuse or neglect.
14. Despite indicating that he would do so, Respondent failed to file a mandatory report as required by the Revised Kansas Code for Care of Children.

Good Moral Character

15. 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.

16. K.S.A. 74-5605(b)(5) states that each applicant for certification shall be of good moral character to warrant the public trust in the applicant as a police officer or law enforcement officer.
17. 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.
18. Respondent's conduct shows that he lacks the personal qualities of integrity, upholding the laws of the state, conduct that warrants the public trust, and upholding the oath required for certification.

Summary Proceedings

19. 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 LEVI SEACAT be revoked.

ACCORDINGLY, THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF LEVI SEACAT 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 14th day of December, 2021.

KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS'
STANDARDS AND TRAINING



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.


David Cooper

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the 15th day of December, 2021, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Summary Order of Revocation was deposited in the United States mail, certified, prepaid, return receipt requested, and deposited in the United States mail, first class postage prepaid with tracking, addressed to:

LEVI SEACAT





Staff
Kansas Commission on Peace Officers'
Standards and Training