

BEFORE THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING

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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 NICHOLAS SCHAFER (Respondent).

STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 1. The Commission issued Respondent a full-time law enforcement certification, certification number 22087.
- 2. Respondent was employed as a full-time law enforcement officer with the Kansas City Kansas Police Department from July 7, 2005, to March 16, 2022.
- 3. C.T., who was thirteen years old at the time, reported that Respondent inappropriately touched her on the night of November 17, 2019, and into the morning of November 18, 2019. C.T. reported that while lying on an

air mattress in the living room during a sleepover, Respondent pulled her underwear into the crevice of her buttocks, touched her buttocks, touched her stomach, and pulled the cover away from her body exposing her feet, after which he put something "warm" and "wet" on her foot. C.T. reported that Respondent touched her multiple times, and the contact made her uncomfortable.

4. As a result of his conduct with C.T., Respondent was criminally charged in the District Court of Wyandotte County, Case Number 2020CR0399, with two counts of aggravated indecent liberties with a child. On March 15, 2022, Respondent was convicted of two counts of aggravated sexual battery, contrary to K.S.A. 21-5505, a severity level 5 person felony.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Fail to Maintain Minimum Requirements for Certification

5. 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.

Felony Conviction

- 6. K.S.A. 74-5605(b)(3) states that each applicant for certification shall not have been convicted of a crime that would constitute a felony under the laws of this state, a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence or a misdemeanor offense that the Commission determines reflects on the honesty, trustworthiness, integrity or competence of the applicant as defined by rules and regulations of the Commission.
- 7. Due to his felony convictions for aggravated sexual battery, Respondent fails to meet and maintain the requirements of K.S.A. 74-5605.

Good Moral Character

- 8. 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.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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

11. 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.

<u>ORDER</u>

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

ACCORDINGLY, THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS'
STANDARDS AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF NICHOLAS SCHAFER 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 20th day of July

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.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the day of day of , 2022, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Summary Order of Revocation was deposited in the United States mail, certified, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, and deposited in the United States mail, first-class postage prepaid with tracking, addressed to:

NICHOLAS SCHAFER

Staff

Kansas Commission on Peace Officers'

Standards and Training