



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

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In the Matter of)	
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SCOTT STEWART)	Case No. 2021-0253
#29647)	
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SUMMARY ORDER OF REVOCATION

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. The Commission granted Respondent a full-time law enforcement certification, certification number 29647.
2. Respondent was employed as a full-time law enforcement officer with the El Dorado Police Department (EDPD) from February 27, 2017, to December 13, 2021.
3. On December 5, 2021, the EDPD investigated a drug overdose in which the victim, M.W., survived. M.W.'s cell phone was seized as evidence. M.W. told an EDPD officer that she needed her phone back as it contained

messages from Respondent that would hurt him professionally and personally. The EDPD initiated an investigation into Respondent's relationship with M.W. The investigation revealed approximately 2100 messages exchanged between M.W. and Respondent. The messages included terms of endearment, such as baby and sweetheart. The messages also suggested the possibility of a physical relationship between Respondent and M.W.

4. According to M.W., she met Respondent in 2018 when he arrested her. Approximately three to six months later, Respondent began coming around M.W. to check on her. Concerns about Respondent's involvement with M.W. and rumors about their relationship surfaced. Both M.W. and Respondent admitted to exchanging flirtatious messages but denied that their relationship was ever physical. After interviewing Respondent, the EDPD requested that he sit for a polygraph examination. Respondent refused the polygraph and resigned his position. After his resignation, the EDPD discovered sexually explicit videos on M.W.'s phone of a male who had a similar tattoo and characteristics to Respondent.
5. Based on the information in paragraphs three and four, a Commission interview with Respondent was necessary to determine his continued suitability for law enforcement certification.
6. Commission Investigator Michael Oliver determined that an in-person interview was necessary with Respondent and notified him of the scheduled time and date. Respondent contacted Investigator Oliver and stated that he was unavailable for an in-person interview. Investigator Oliver attempted to re-schedule the interview multiple times and sent notice of three different interview dates. Finally, in an email sent March 24, 2022, Respondent stated, "Like I said a few e-mails back, I'm not interested in police work now or do I plan to look for it in the future. Taking time off for an interview I already completed with my department is only costing me additional

headache and money. If you must revoke my certification, I understand, sir.” Respondent did not appear for any of the scheduled interviews.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Fail to Cooperate in Commission Investigation

7. 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.

8. Respondent failed to cooperate in a Commission investigation to determine his continued suitability for law enforcement certification.

Summary Proceedings

9. 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 Statement of Facts and Conclusions of Law, the Commission orders that the Kansas Law Enforcement Officer Certification of SCOTT STEWART be revoked.

ACCORDINGLY, THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF SCOTT STEWART 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 15th day of June, 2022.

KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS'
STANDARDS AND TRAINING



Jeff Herrig
Chair, Investigative Committee

NOTICE OF RELIEF FROM THIS SUMMARY ORDER

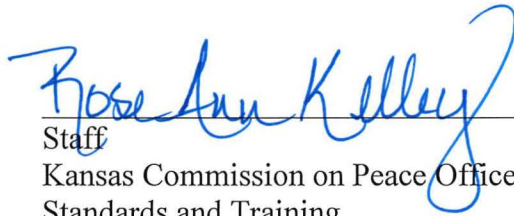
Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, the Summary Order is subject to your request for a hearing. If you desire a hearing, you must direct a written request for a hearing to the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, 1999 N. Amidon, Suite 350, Wichita, Kansas 67203. This written request must 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 15th day of June, 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, with tracking, postage prepaid, addressed to:

SCOTT STEWART





Staff
Kansas Commission on Peace Officers'
Standards and Training