



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

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In the Matter of )  
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**ASHLEY WRIGHT** )  
 #30294 )  
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**Case No. 2018-0161**

**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 ASHLEY WRIGHT (Respondent).

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

1. The Commission issued Respondent a provisional law enforcement certification, certification number 30294.
2. Respondent was employed as a full-time law enforcement officer with the La Harpe Police Department from January 22, 2018 to March 22, 2018.
3. Respondent was terminated from her employment with the La Harpe Police Department prior to completing an approved full-time basic course of instruction. Therefore, Respondent's certification was automatically revoked pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5607a. However, grounds for certification

revocation also exist pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5616(b) and are appropriate in this case.

4. On March 20, 2018, officers from the Allen County Sheriff's Office arrived at Respondent's residence with an out-of-state warrant for her husband. Respondent answered the door and told the officers her husband was in bed, asleep. Respondent was asked to retrieve her husband but refused. The officers indicated that they were going to enter the residence on the warrant. Respondent denied the officers access to the residence and physically obstructed their entry, allowing her husband time to flee the residence.
5. Based upon her conduct on March 20, 2018, Respondent was charged in the District Court of Allen County with Interference with Law Enforcement in violation of K.S.A. 21-5904, a class A nonperson misdemeanor, in case number 2018-CR-134. Respondent entered a Diversion Agreement on August 14, 2018, in which she stipulated to the underlying facts of Interference with Law Enforcement.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

#### Criminal Conduct

6. 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.
7. K.A.R. 106-2-2a(a)(35) 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 interference with law enforcement, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5904 and amendments thereto.

8. Respondent's conduct on March 20, 2018 constituted the interference with law enforcement as defined in K.S.A. 21-5904.

#### Good Moral Character

9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. Respondent's conduct that resulted in criminal charges in case number 2018-CR-134 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 ASHLEY WRIGHT be revoked.

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

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

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2018.

KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS'  
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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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2018, 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:

ASHLEY WRIGHT  




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