



BEFORE THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING

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In the Matter of)
)
CHRISTOPHER L. WEIS)
 #17245)
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Case No. 2017-0151

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 CHRISTOPHER L. WEIS (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 17245.
2. Respondent was employed as a full-time officer with the Ford County Sheriff's Office from July 18, 2005 to November 29, 2005 and from September 10, 2009 to July 12, 2017.
3. On June 23, 2017, Respondent, while acting as Captain over the Ford County Jail, became upset because a mop bucket and broom were left out in an area where inmates would have access to it. Respondent took the broom, broke the handle, and pointed it at Sergeant Ted Baker, Corporal

William Britt, and Detention Officer Edgar Rivera while threatening to kill them.

4. Based upon this incident, Respondent was criminally charged in the District Court of Ford County, Kansas, with one count of Criminal Damage to Property, a violation of K.S.A. 21-5813, a class B non-person misdemeanor, and two counts of Disorderly Conduct, in violation of K.S.A. 21-6203, a class C nonperson misdemeanor, Case Number 17CR569.
5. Respondent entered a Diversion Agreement in this case in which he stipulated that he committed Criminal Damage to Property and two counts of Disorderly Conduct.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Conduct Constituting a Misdemeanor Crime

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 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)(30) 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 criminal damage to property, as defined in K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 21-5813 and amendments thereto.
8. K.A.R. 106-2-2a(a)(50) 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 disorderly conduct, as defined in K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 21-6203 and amendments thereto.
9. Respondent's conduct on June 23, 2017, constitutes criminal damage to property as defined in K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 21-5813 and disorderly conduct as defined in K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 21-6203.

Good Moral Character

10. Pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5616(b)(1) the Commission may suspend, condition, revoke, reprimand, censure or deny 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. K.A.R. 106-2-4(b) states that any single incident or event may suffice to show that an applicant or licensee lacks or has failed to maintain good moral character.
14. 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. Respondent engaged in the criminal acts of damaging county property and threatening other officers.

Summary Proceedings

15. 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 CHRISTOPHER L. WEIS be revoked.

ACCORDINGLY, THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF CHRISTOPHER L. WEIS 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 3rd day of May, 2018.

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 4th day of May, 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:

CHRISTOPHER L. WEIS



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Rose Ann Ohmart", written over a horizontal line.

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