

BEFORE THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING

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In the Matter of)		
JONATHAN HAINJE #27809)))	Case No.	2021-0239

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 JONATHAN HAINJE (Respondent).

STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 1. The Commission granted Respondent a full-time law enforcement certification, certification number 27809.
- 2. Respondent was employed as a full-time law enforcement officer with the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) from March 12, 2014, to July 23, 2021.
- 3. On April 14, 2021, WCSO Sgt. Erwin pulled into the employee parking garage behind Respondent shortly before 8:00 a.m. Sgt. Erwin observed that Respondent appeared to struggle accessing the garage. Once inside the

WCSO facility, Sgt. Erwin noticed that Respondent's walk appeared slower than usual and "wobbly." During roll call, Respondent's speech was slurred, he spoke incoherently, fumbled with his keys, walked unsteadily, and exhibited other unusual behavior. Sgt. Erwin reported his observations to WCSO Major Carver, who called a meeting with Respondent. Major Carver observed that Respondent's eyes were bloodshot and droopy; his speech was slow and slurred; that Respondent seemed to have difficulty comprehending Major Carver's questions; and other signs of impairment. Based on his training and experience, Major Carver believed that Respondent was under the influence of alcohol or some other substance. Respondent was directed to submit to drug and alcohol testing.

- 4. WCSO Sgt. Rome was assigned to transport Respondent to the drug and alcohol screening. Respondent attempted to get in the wrong patrol vehicle before accompanying Sgt. Rome. During the drive, Sgt. Rome observed signs of impairment and a strong odor of alcohol emanating from Respondent's breath. At the testing facility, Respondent made comments to Sgt. Rome about cocaine. After Respondent completed his testing, he exited the office area and approached Sgt. Rome with his test results, stating, "I passed my drug screen, but I failed my alcohol test." Respondent's Intoxilyzer results showed a BAC of .206 at 9:35 a.m. and .212 at 9:53 a.m.
- 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.
- 6. Commission Investigator George Brown determined that the nature of the investigation required an in-person interview and notified Respondent of the time and date by mail. Respondent did not appear for the interview. Investigator Brown left a voicemail for Respondent requesting a return call and sent Respondent an email. A text message was sent to Respondent

requesting that he contact Investigator Brown and notifying him that failure to cooperate in the investigation may constitute grounds for a certification action. Respondent did not respond to the phone call, email, or text message.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Failure 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.

Unprofessional Conduct

- 9. 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.
- 10. K.A.R. 106-2-3(j)(3) defines unprofessional conduct as, except for a legitimate law enforcement purpose, performing duties as an officer while using or under the influence of alcohol.
- 11. Respondent was on-duty and performing duties as an officer while under the influence of alcohol. His use of alcohol was not related to a legitimate law enforcement purpose.

Good Moral Character

- 12. 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.
- 13. 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.
- 14. Pursuant to K.A.R. 106-2-4(b), any single incident or event may suffice to show that a licensee lacks or has failed to maintain good moral character.
- 15. Respondent's conduct shows that he lacks the personal qualities of good moral character, as defined by K.A.R. 106-2-4(a).

Summary Proceedings

16. 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 JONATHAN HAINJE be revoked.

ACCORDINGLY, THE KANSAS COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS' STANDARDS AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE OF JONATHAN HAINJE 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 5th day of Quest, 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 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:

JONATHAN HAINJE

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Staff

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