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# **POST Board Meeting**

## Colorado Department of Law

Friday, September 14, 2018

SME Committee Meetings: 8:00 am - 10:00 am

Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Board Meeting: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

1. Welcome

Attorney General Cynthia Coffman

2. Pledge of Allegiance

**Board Member** 

3. **Introduction of New Board** Attorney General Cynthia Coffman **Members** 

Deputy District Attorney Ashley Beck - Lay Member Denver District Attorney's Office

Sheriff Anthony Mazzola - Active Sheriff Rio Blanco County

Sheriff Shawn Mobley – Active Sheriff Otero County

Sheriff Justin Smith – Active Sheriff Larimer County

4. **Recognition of Departing** Attorney General Cynthia Coffman

Special Agent in Charge Calvin Shivers Federal Bureau of Investigations

5. **Recognition of Departing SME** Attorney General Cynthia Coffman **Member** 

Sgt. Graham Dunne - Curriculum Committee Chair

6. **Introduction of New POST** Staff

Director Erik Bourgerie

Compliance Manager Cathy Rodriguez Compliance Specialist Tiffiny Black-Majekodunmi

Introduction of Board Members, SME Members, Staff and 7. Guests

Roll Call 8. Director Erik Bourgerie

9. **Approval of POST Board Minutes** from June 1, 2018

Attorney General Cynthia Coffman

10. **Subject Matter Expert Committee Reports** 

> Arrest Control Agent Ike Beers, Chair A.

B. Curriculum Sgt. Graham Dunne, Chair

C. Chief John Minor, Board Rep Driving

D. Deputy Ed Kafel Firearms

(See supplemental handout)

Stacy Worthington 11. Approval of Revocations as a Group

**Board Counsel** 

**Peace Officer Certification** 12. Director Erik Bourgerie

**Revocation Actions** 

(See supplemental handout)

### **POST Rule 9 - Revocation of Peace Officer Certifications:**

§ 24-31-305, C.R.S.(2)(a) A Colorado peace officer certification issued pursuant to subsection (1) or (1.3) of this section or 24-31-308 shall be suspended or revoked by the POST Board if the certificate holder has been convicted of a felony at any time, or has been convicted on or after July 1, 2001, of any misdemeanor described in subsection (1.5) of § 24-31-305 C.R.S., or has otherwise failed to meet the certification requirements established by the Board. For purposes of this rule, the term 'conviction' includes any deferred judgments or deferred sentences imposed by a court. Revocation of peace officer certificates based upon conviction(s) of misdemeanor crimes are recognized in § 24-31-305(1.5) (b) thru (h), C.R.S.

#### Failing to Comply with Certification Requirements:

David Bruce, Certification B10171 (PID 100137), On January 26, 2018, an 1. internal investigation was concluded based on documents Mr. Bruce

submitted to Colorado POST in 2003, 2009, and 2017. The internal investigation was to determine if the documents Mr. Bruce submitted January 28, 2003 in 2003, 2009, and 2017 were true, accurate, and complete as stated on the form, or whether those documents included false statements that, constituted misrepresentation, neglect or mistake as outline in POST Rules 9 and 18(a) as grounds for revocation. It was determined that Mr. Bruce did provide information on his applications and supporting documents in which he misrepresented his employment history and certification history. The false information resulted in Mr. Bruce obtaining a Colorado Basic Peace Officer Certification on August 26, 2003. The Respondent has complied with POST Show Cause Order and appeared on July 25, 2018. Director Bourgerie recommends revocation of David Bruce's Colorado Peace Officer Certification B10171 (PID 100137).

The certificate holders in the following matters did not appear at the show cause hearing or indicate any intent to oppose the revocation. Unless any member objects and asks to consider one or all of these matters separately, they will all be presented to this Board as a group.

#### **Felony Convictions:**

1. No. F18-07, Benjamin Candelaria, Certification B5955 (PID 126222). On December 8, 2017, Respondent was convicted of one count of Sex Assault-overcome victim will-att §18-3-402(1)(a), a class 5 Felony and one count of Official Misconduct I §18-8-404, a class 2 Misdemeanor. The Respondent was employed as a peace officer on the date of the offense (Date of Offense: November 3, 2016, Pueblo Police Department, Date of Separation December 26, 2016). The Respondent has failed to comply with POST Show Cause Order No. F18-07 by failing to appear at the scheduled Show Cause Hearing on July 18, 2018. Director Bourgerie recommends revocation of Benjamin Candelaria's Colorado Peace Officer Certification B5955 (PID 126222).

#### **Misdemeanor Convictions:**

- 1. No. M18-02, Mark Thornton, Certification B6106 (PID 121935). On November 15, 2017, Respondent was convicted of one count of Assault 3-Know/reckless cause injury §18-3-204(1)(a) CRS, a Class 1 Misdemeanor. The respondent was not employed as a peace officer on the date of the offense (Date of Offense: April 5, 2016). The Respondent has failed to comply with POST Show Cause Order No. M18-02 by failing to appear at the scheduled Show Cause Hearing on July 18, 2018. Director Bourgerie recommends revocation of Mark Thornton's Colorado Peace Officer Certification B6106 (PID 121935).
- 2. No. M18-10, Thomas Hanna, Certification B11656 (PID 122291). On May 8, 2018, Respondent was convicted of one count of Official Misconduct I §18-8-404 CRS, a Class 2 Misdemeanor. The respondent was employed as a peace officer on the date of the offense (Date of Offense: August 10, 2016, Sedgwick

County Sheriff's Office, Separated August 30, 2016). The Respondent has failed to comply with POST Show Cause Order No. M18-10 by failing to appear at the scheduled Show Cause Hearing on July 24, 2018. Director Bourgerie recommends revocation of Thomas Hanna's Colorado Peace Officer Certification B11656 (PID 122291).

3. No. M18-11, Michael Dodson, Certification B00859 (PID 117583). On May 14, 2018, Respondent was convicted of one count of Official Misconduct I §18-8-404 CRS, a Class 2 Misdemeanor. The respondent was employed as a peace officer on the date of the offense (Date of Offense: January 25, 2017, University of Colorado Boulder Police Department,). The Respondent has failed to comply with POST Show Cause Order No. M18-11 by failing to appear at the scheduled Show Cause Hearing on July 27, 2018. Director Bourgerie recommends revocation of Michael Dodson's Colorado Peace Officer Certification B00859 (PID 117583).

13. Work Session Update

Director Erik Bourgerie

14. **Legislative Update** (See supplemental handout)

Stacy Worthington Board Counsel

- 15. Comments from Others on POST Issues
- 16. Adjournment

Attorney General Cynthia Coffman

## **Next POST Board Meeting**

**December 7, 2018** 

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SME Meetings – 8:00 am POST Board Meeting – 10:00 am