



PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

INFORMAL HEARING

July 14, 2016

1:00 P.M.

AGENDA



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APPEARING:

Algood Police Department – Tharp, Ashley - Ms. Tharp was on medical leave from Macon County Sheriff's Office for a work-related car crash when she interviewed for a job with Algood Police Department in January 2016. Ms. Tharp was subsequently hired by Algood Police Department and went to work for them in February 15, 2016. In the interview process, Algood Police Department was made aware of her leave status and Ms. Tharp reassured them that she had been released and put back to full duty per doctor's order and provided documentation to support this.

Shortly thereafter, Sheriff Mark Gammons of Macon County called and inquired about her hiring as she was still on worker's comp leave with Macon County. She was called in and questioned about her worker's comp leave status and reassured Algood Police Department that she was cleared. Algood Police Department contacted the doctor's office and acquired a copy of the release forms directly from them. When comparing the document from the doctor's office to the document provided by Ms. Tharp, there were noticeable signs that the document furnished by Ms. Tharp had been altered to remove her restrictions and limitations for duty. She was questioned by her supervisors at Algood Police Department about these differences and was untruthful in her answers to them. She was terminated because of her untruthfulness and for altering medical documents and using them to gain employment.

Commissioners have copies.

Motion to Approve/Disapprove by: _____ Second _____
Recommendation to the Full Commission _____

Remarks: _____

Chattanooga Police Department – Ego, Alexander – While employed with the Chattanooga Police Department, Mr. Ego was accused of sexual assault of a female while on duty. During the departmental investigation, the woman accuser recanted and said the on-duty sex she had with Mr. Ego was consensual. Additionally, Mr. Ego was found to have been viewing pornography on his Chattanooga Police Department work computer.

After an internal affairs investigation was completed, Chattanooga Police Department terminated Mr. Ego on April 5, 2016.

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Remarks: _____

Oak Ridge Police Department - Jackson- Garrison, Cassen – While employed by the Oak Ridge Police Department, Mr. Jackson-Garrison was accused of official misconduct and having sexual contact with a minor. He was terminated by Oak Ridge Police Department in August of 2015. After a criminal investigation, Mr. Jackson-Garrison was indicted by the Anderson County Grand Jury for Official Misconduct and Aggravated Statutory Rape.

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