



**PEACE OFFICERS STANDARD AND TRAINING  
COMMISSION COMMITTEE MEETING  
JULY 15, 2022  
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**I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**II. ADMINISTRATION MATTERS**

**ROLL CALL**

**COMMISSIONER KIM BIRCHFIELD**

**COMMISSIONER GARRY CARTER**

**COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY**

**COMMISSIONER DON GREEN**

**COMMISSIONER DEBORAH FAULKNER - Vice Chair**

**COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III**

**COMMISSIONER BUD HULSEY**

**COMMISSIONER STEVE ISBELL**

**COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON**

**COMMISSIONER CHAD PARTIN - Chair**

**COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**

**COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER**

**COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

**COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT**

**DISCLAIMER – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 17, 2022 COMMISSION MEETING:**

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER DEBORAH FAULKNER

Second COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**IV. DECERTIFICATION HEARING HELD JULY 14, 2022:**

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Second COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**V. APPEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION/WAIVERS FOR PRE-EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.04**

**Selmer Police Department** – Request a conviction waiver for **Troy Allen Aiken (PSID# 1194-4191)**, hired June 10, 2022. On June April 22, 2017, Mr. Aiken was arrested in Hardin County, Tennessee and charged with DUI and Open Container. On March 9, 2018, Mr. Aiken was found guilty and was convicted of DUI and Open Container. Mr. Aiken has since satisfied all court orders, fines, and fees.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY**

Remarks: **Motion to approve failed.**

Motion to **Disapprove** by: **COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**

Second **COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III**

Remarks: **After a roll call vote, the motion to disapprove carried.**

**VI. WAIVER TO ATTEND ANOTHER ACADEMY – P.O.S.T. Rule 1110-02-.03(3)**

**Brentwood Police Department** – Request a waiver to change academies for **Derick Jeffrey Dragon (PSID# 8917-4130)**, with a hire date of August 8, 2022. In May of 2022, Mr. Dragon attended the Metro Nashville Police Department Lateral Academy but was unable to complete the training due to childcare issues. Brentwood Police Department is requesting Mr. Dragon be allowed to attend transition school at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy in August 2022.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**

Second **COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III**

Remarks: **Motion to approve carried.**

**VII. WAIVER OF BASIC TRAINING/SPECIALIZED SUBSTITUTIONS FOR IN SERVICE TRAINING – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.02**

**Fayette County Sheriff's Office** – Request the P.O.S.T. Commission's approval to attend Transition School for **James Michael Ardoin (PSID# 2722-5873)**, hired April 23, 2022. Mr. Ardoin initially graduated from the Acadiana Law Enforcement Training Academy on February 27, 1992; however, the academy does not retain training documents. Mr. Ardoin also completed the Mississippi Basic Refresher Course at the Mississippi Law Enforcement Officers Training Academy on November 18, 2021.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**

Second **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

Remarks: **Motion to approve carried.**

P.O.S.T. reviewed and administratively approved **15** P.O.S.T. Transition School Waivers and all corresponding supporting documents. The reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed the minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

**The following requests for Waiver/Substitution of Basic Training have been reviewed and appear to meet P.O.S.T. requirements:**

- Angelini, Brandon Michael (PSID# 4940-8624)
- Blood, Eric Dimitri (PSID# 9267-9821)
- Byrd, Janice McCauley (PSID# 8133-7186)
- Day, Garrett Steven (PSID# 9715-5690)
- Faucher, Matthew Joseph (PSID# 0164-1559)
- Floyd, Matthew Paul (PSID# 9789-9275)
- Golden, Christopher Michael (PSID# 8348-8982)
- Goodnow, Timothy Joseph (PSID#8843-0544)
- Haws, Jackson Dunn (PSID# 0613-7426)
- Hutchins, Micah Alexander (PSID# 4043-6887)
- Izzo, Kenneth August (PSID# 1028-2576)
- La Masa, Matthew Ryan (PSID# 9084-5745)
- McGeever, William Lawrence (PSID# 4516-9346)
- Rodriguez, Sara Rose (PSID# 5388-4493)
- Torres, Nigel Patrick (PSID# 1219-0782)

In addition, P.O.S.T. reviewed and administratively approved **0** solo waiver requests based on the recently expired Governor's orders. Due to the recent expiration of the orders, the P.O.S.T. Commission has approved for solo waiver requests to be administratively approved until the virtual P.O.S.T. Transition School is completed.

## **VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE WAIVERS**

### **WAIVER OF IN-SERVICE – RULE 1110-09-.05**

**Requests for a waiver have been received for the following officers so that they as well as their departments will remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines. They are not eligible for 2021 Salary Supplement.**

**Bethel Springs Police Department** – Request a waiver of in-service for **Dameon LaMar Blue (PSID# 3914-9491)**, hired August 15, 2015. Mr. Blue was unable to complete all the required 2021 in-service training. The waiver will allow both the agency and the officer to remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Defer until August meeting** by: **COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**  
Second **COMMISSIONER DON GREEN**

Remarks: **Mr. Blue to provide evidence of deficient in-service hours at August 2022 meeting. Motion carried.**

**WAIVERS OF SIX (6) MONTH RULE:**

THE TENNESSEE P.O.S.T. COMMISSION HAS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED 4 SIX-MONTH WAIVER(S) WHICH FALL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OUTLINED IN THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15.30.

“The provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 38-8-107 and 38-8-111, requiring completion of basic training and in-service credits are suspended to the extent necessary to give the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission discretion to reasonably extend the deadline for meeting such requirements as necessary to respond to the effects of COVID-19.”

**THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUESTING A WAIVER OF THE SIX (6) MONTH RULE TO KEEP THEIR OFFICER(S) AND THE DEPARTMENT IN COMPLIANCE.**

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**Loudon Police Department**– Request a six (6) month waiver for **Michael Lee Brubaker (PSID# 7429)**, hired February 1, 2022. Mr. Brubaker is unable to attend the academy in August 2022 due to responsibilities serving both police and fire services. Mr. Brubaker is scheduled to attend the Blount County Sheriff's Office Regional Training Academy January of 2023.

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: After a roll call vote, the motion to approve carried.

**Oakland Police Department** – Request a six (6) month waiver for **Tavoran Demarrelle Robinson (PSID# 8838-1608)**, hired January 7, 2022. In May of 2022, Mr. Robinson attended transition school at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy but was unable to complete the training due to failure of firearms. Mr. Robinson is scheduled to reattend transition August of 2022.

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL

Second COMMISSIONER DON GREEN

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**U.T. Chattanooga Police Department** – Request two (2) six (6) month waivers for **Kenneth Eugene Lloyd (PSID# 2432-7490)**, hired May 20, 2021. Mr. Lloyd has been unable to attend transition school due to a delay in the submission of his pre-employment paperwork. Mr. Lloyd is scheduled to attend transition August of 2022.

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER**

Second **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

Remarks: **Motion to approve carried.**

**WAIVERS OF EIGHT (8) MONTH RULE:**

**The following officer(s) are requesting a waiver of the eight-month rule. They will receive the 2021 Salary Supplement payment if they completed 2021 In-Service requirements.**

NONE

**WAIVER FOR MEDICAL – RULE 1110-09-.06**

**The following departments are requesting a waiver for medical reasons for the 2021 calendar year, so the departments will also remain in compliance. Officers did not complete in-service training and are not eligible for Salary Supplement:**

NONE

**WAIVERS FOR MILITARY LEAVE – RULE 1110-09-.06(5)**

**The following departments are requesting a waiver for military service for the 2021 calendar year. Military orders are included along with change of status. These officers will be eligible to receive salary supplements, and the departments will remain in compliance.**

P.O.S.T. has reviewed and administratively approved **0** Military Waivers and corresponding supporting documents. All the reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

**IX. APPLICATIONS FOR TRAINING OFFICER – 1110-04-.03**

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 5 application(s) for Training Officer, and they appear to meet criteria for approval.

The officer(s) listed below **if any** will be informed, they have one year to complete the Instructor Development course or approved substitute.

- Caudill, Jeffery Bryan (PSID# 2198-0698)

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER CHAD PARTIN

Second COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**X. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR – 1110-03-.04**

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 18 application(s) for Certified Instructor, and they appear to be in order and meet minimum standards, and they have completed the minimum hours in attendance of required courses.

- The instructors listed below **if any** will be notified, they have **one year to complete Instructor Development or approved substitute:**

NONE

- The officers listed below **if any** request a waiver of **the one-year training officer requirement:**

- Bowen, Jerramie James (PSID# 6891-0537)
- Garrett, Duston Milton (PSID# 7123-6678)

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Second COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**XI. CURRICULUM AND TESTS – 1110-04 and SPECIALIZED TRAINING CURRICULUM – 1110-04-.09**

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 94 in-service and specialized training classes this month as they appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements. They have made note if these training officers meet the P.O.S.T. requirements for Firearms, EVOC, Mental Illness and CSA.

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: Motion to approve carried.

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

**Tellico Plains Police Department – Alexander Ray Eckert (PSID# 4608-8290)** was hired on August 23, 2021; however, P.O.S.T. did not receive the required paperwork until May 11, 2022.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

Second **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

Remarks: **Motion to approve carried.**

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**Blount County Sheriff's Office** – Request the P.O.S.T. Commission's approval to forgo Transition School for **Matthew Tyler Sexton (PSID# 9250-3262)**. Mr. Sexton is scheduled to begin employment and training on July 18, 2022. Mr. Sexton last worked as a full-time law enforcement officer August 27, 2018.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**

Second **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

Remarks: **Motion to approve carried.**

**Timothy Fowler (PSID# 6116-5568)** – Request a waiver of Rule 1110-02-.03(7)(c), regarding a break in full-time law enforcement service. In August of 2021, Mr. Fowler resigned as a law enforcement officer and was appointed as a full-time Constable, serving Bradley County District 7.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**

Second **COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER**

Remarks: **Motion to approve carried.**