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ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL

In the Matter of

Eric Edward Villasenor,

Respondent,

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APSC No. 2016-32

FINDING OF DISQUALIFICATION

Pursuant to AS 18.65.220(6), 13 AAC 85.100, and 13 AAC 85.115 the Alaska Police Standards Council of the State of Alaska (Council), provides that the Executive Director may deny an application, or find a police officer job applicant or training applicant ineligible for police officer certification, if the applicant does not satisfy the requirements set by the council for certification. An applicant aggrieved by the decision of the Executive Director may petition for review of that decision by the council. The council's review of that decision is controlled by the Administrative Procedure Act.

On or about August 17, 2016, Eric Edward Villasenor, "Respondent," a former State of Alaska Corrections Officer, was an applicant for a police officer position with the City of Bethel, AK. During the hiring process, on or about August 17, 2016, Respondent disclosed: 1) misusing the Department of Corrections database by looking up a girlfriend to see if she had a criminal history; 2) falsifying "run reports" and forging a doctor's signature on a DMV document; and, 3) showing nude photos of a girlfriend without her permission. These activities were omitted from Respondent's sworn Personal History Statement. The City of Bethel concluded these acts, omissions and misrepresentations meant that respondent falsified his certified and sworn document and that he lacked the prerequisite "good moral character" to be a police officer.

On October 19, 2016 Respondent was notified by certified United States mail, that the Council's Executive Director found him to be disqualified for Council certification based upon the above conduct. Respondent was informed of his rights to appeal this decision to the full Council and his rights under the Administrative Procedures Act. Respondent was informed that a failure to respond to the findings within statutory deadlines would result in a default Finding of Disqualification being entered into his record. ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL Finding of Disqualification – Eric E Villasenor APSC No. 2016-32

Respondent acknowledged receipt of the Executive Director's Notice by certified mail on or before October 28, 2016. No notice of appeal or request for a hearing were ever filed with the Council.

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Alaska Police Standards Council has found that Respondent is disqualified from certification as a police officer in Alaska;

WHEREAS, the Respondent was notified of this finding and of his rights to appeal the council's decision pursuant to the procedures governed by the Administrative Procedure Act in AS 44.62.330, et. seq.; and,

WHEREAS the Respondent did not appeal this determination to the Council or request a fact-finding hearing within statutory timeframes to exercise his rights under the Alaska Administrative Procedures Act and appeal the decision of the Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, this formal Finding of Disqualification for Police Certification is entered into the Respondent's record, subject to the provisions for 13 AAC 85.100(d).

Dated this 10th day of September 2020 at Juneau, Alaska

Robert E. Griffiths, Executive Director Alaska Police Standards Council