

STATE OF ALASKA

ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL

In the Matter of)
)
 Ryan Michael Jones,)
)
 Respondent,)
)

FINDINGS AND ORDER
OF DISQUALIFICATION

APSC No. 2021-06

The Alaska Police Standards Council of the State of Alaska (APSC), having duly convened on the 22nd day of June 2021, and having reviewed and deliberated the accusations against Ryan Michael Jones, the Respondent, make the following Findings and Order:

1. Respondent was hired by the Alaska Department of Corrections (DOC) as a Corrections Officer on April 2, 2020, and has not yet met requirements for certification by APSC as a correctional officer;
2. On January 25, 2021, Respondent was a no-show to his scheduled DOC work shift. He contacted the supervisor about two hours after shift start and said that he had been on National Guard duty over the weekend and had drill extended through the 25th. He was asked to bring in documentation for this. He did bring in a form, signed by two NG officers.
3. DOC determined that Jones, although supposed to be at the in-person National Guard drill from January 21 through the 24, was a no-show to the drill. Further DOC investigation found that the two signatures on the form were supposedly the signatures of his supervising National Guard officers from two duty stations prior to his current one. DOC and the National Guard supervisors determined the document was likely a forgery;
4. DOC also discovered that Respondent violated DOC and Criminal Justice Information System policies by unnecessarily accessing confidential inmate records and that he sent threatening text messages to a juvenile, threatening to send DOC mug shots of the juvenile's father to him;
5. On February 9, 2021, after being notified of DOC's investigation, respondent resigned under threat of termination.

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6. Pursuant to 13 AAC 85.260 the Executive Director of APSC found the respondent's conduct disqualified him from certification as an officer based upon Alaska Regulations 13 AAC 85.260(a)(1) & (2) and (b)(3) & (5);
7. On May 27th, 2021, Respondent was served notice of the Executive Director's Findings and of his rights to appeal the findings pursuant to the Alaska Administrative Procedures Act¹;
8. Respondent failed to respond to notice and has not appealed the findings of the Executive Director.

Based on the Council's consideration of the facts recited herein:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. That the Council sustains the Findings of Disqualification by its Executive Director;
2. That the Respondent is disqualified for APSC certification for any position in Alaska; and
3. That this Order of Disqualification shall take effect immediately, in accordance with AS 44.62.520(a).

DATED this 22nd day of June 2021, at Anchorage, Alaska


 Rebecca Hamon, Chair
 Alaska Police Standards Council

¹ AS 44.62

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