

STATE OF ALASKA

ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL

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In the Matter of:

Respondent

George Fendler,

No. APSC 2022-18

ACCUSATION

Sarah Hieb, Administrative Investigator of the Alaska Police Standards Council (APSC), State of Alaska, on behalf of the Executive Director for APSC, is seeking to revoke the correctional officer certificate of Respondent George Fendler under the legal authority of AS 18.65.220, AS 18.65.245(2), the Council's regulations in 13 AAC 85.270, and under the procedures governed by the Administrative Procedure Act in AS 44.62.330, *et. seq.* The Executive Director alleges as follows:

1. On or about September 5, 2019, Respondent was hired by State of Alaska Department of Corrections (DOC) as a correctional officer.

2. On or about December 22, 2020, Respondent was certified by APSC as a correctional officer.

3. On or about December 14, 2021, Respondent plead No Contest and was convicted of Operating Under the Influence¹ from an incident that occurred in Anchorage Alaska on June 18, 2021. Operating Under the Influence is a DUI offense listed under 13 AAC 85.210(b)(2).

4. On or about March 16, 2022, Respondent resigned from the Department of Corrections.

¹ AMC 9.28.020(a) Accusation: George Fendler 2022-18

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5. On or about July 11, 2022, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of Driving Under the Influence² from an incident that occurred in Fairbanks Alaska on December 17, 2021. Driving under the Influence is a DUI offense listed under 13 AAC 85.210(b)(2).

6. AS 18.65.245(2) provides that the APSC may revoke the certificate of a correctional officer who fails to meet the standards adopted under AS 18.65.242(a).

7. 13 AAC 85.270(b)(1)(A) provides that the council will revoke a basic certificate upon a finding that the holder of the certificate has been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence or, after hire as a probation, parole, or correctional officer, has been convicted of any felony, or a misdemeanor crime listed in 13 AAC 85.210(b)(2).

8. Conviction of two or more DUI offenses is listed as misdemeanor crimes in 13 AAC 85.210(b)(2).

9. 13 AAC 85.270(a)(3) provides that the council may revoke a basic certificate upon a finding that the holder of the certificate is a correctional officer and does not meet the standards in 13 AAC 85.210(a) or (b).

² AS 28.35.030(a)(1) Accusation: George Fendler 2022-18

COUNT I

Paragraphs 1-9 are incorporated by reference. Based upon the facts described above, Respondent was convicted of two DUI offenses after hire as a correctional officer, which is grounds for mandatory revocation under 13 AAC 85.270(b)(1)(A).

DATED this 19th day of January 2023, at Juneau, Alaska.

signed

Sarah Hieb, Administrative Investigator Alaska Police Standards Council

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