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The Board on Public Safety Standards and Training (BPSST) has the legislative mandate to establish and enforce minimum standards for all law enforcement officers, fire service professionals, telecommunicators and emergency medical dispatchers in the state. This requirement also defines the procedure for the Department and Board to use when denying or revoking certification of an individual who has fallen below the minimum standards.

The Ethics Bulletin is published to provide insight into the types of misconduct that could result in revocation or denial of certification. The following cases have resulted in consideration of **revocation or denial** of certifications by DPSST in **March 2014**.

The Department continues to ensure that certified public safety officers and those seeking certification who abuse the public's trust will be held accountable for their actions.

March Statistics

Cases Opened	016	Of the 023 Cases Closed:	
Cases Closed	023	Revoked	07
Cases Pending	126	Denied	00
Reinstated	0	No Action	16

Officer A resigned during an internal investigation into his performance and behavior towards others. Prior to DPSST initiating formal proceedings, Officer A chose to sign a Stipulation Voluntarily Relinquishing Certifications, which permanently revoked his certifications. Officer A's misconduct ended his 12-year career.

Officer A's Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Police certifications are Revoked.

Officer B resigned during an investigation into an inappropriate relationship with a woman who was married to an individual who Officer B arrested. Officer B had sent and received inappropriate text messages and had Skype sex sessions with the woman while he was on duty. He had also reportedly attempted to get the woman to make false allegations against the husband to the husband's parole officer. The agency requested a criminal investigation into possible Official Misconduct. Prior to DPSST initiating official proceedings against Officer B, he chose to sign a Stipulation Voluntarily Relinquishing Certifications, which permanently revoked his certifications. Officer B's misconduct ended his 19-year career.

Officer B's Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Police Certifications are Revoked.

Officer C had been retired for many years when he was arrested for and later convicted of DUII. DPSST then learned of an older conviction for DUII as well. Prior to DPSST initiating formal proceedings, Officer C chose to sign a Stipulation Voluntarily

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Relinquishing Certifications, which permanently revoked his certifications.

Officer C's Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Corrections Certifications and his Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Police Certifications are Revoked.

Officer D has been retired since 2003. DPSST received information that Officer D had been convicted of First Degree Animal Abuse in 2013. First Degree Animal Abuse is a Mandatory Disqualifying Misdemeanor requiring revocation of police certifications. Officer D was issued a Notice of Intent to Revoke and failed to request a hearing. Officer D's certifications were revoked by default.

Officer D's Basic and Intermediate Police Certifications were Revoked.

Officer E has been retired since 2003. DPSST received information that Officer E had been convicted of Interfering with a Peace Officer in 2013. Interfering with a Peace Officer is a Mandatory Disqualifying Misdemeanor requiring revocation of corrections certifications. Officer E was served with a Notice of Intent to Revoke and failed to request a hearing.

Officer E's Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Corrections Certifications were Revoked.

Officer F was discharged for cause after an internal investigation revealed that while on a last chance agreement he failed to attend a Grand Jury appearance which he was subpoenaed to attend. Officer F received progressive discipline which led to the last chance agreement after failing to honor five different subpoenas. Officer F was issued a Notice of Intent to Revoke, and he requested a hearing. A hearing was held and the Administrative Law Judge issued a Proposed Order affirming DPSST's Notice of Intent to Revoke. Officer F failed to file exceptions to the Proposed Order. Officer F was served with an Amended Proposed Order and he failed to file exceptions.

Officer F's Basic Police Certification is Revoked.

Officer G resigned after an internal investigation revealed an inappropriate relationship with a department employee, including sexual activity on duty and dishonesty about the relationship. Prior to DPSST initiating formal proceedings, Officer G signed a Stipulation Voluntarily Relinquishing Certifications, which permanently revoked his certifications. Officer G's misconduct ended his ten-year career.

Officer G's Basic and Intermediate Police Certifications are Revoked.