



**PEACE OFFICERS STANDARD AND TRAINING
COMMISSION COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2024
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I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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II. ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

ROLL CALL

- COMMISSIONER JONATHAN BEVERLY**
- COMMISSIONER GARRY CARTER – Vice Chair**
- COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY**
- COMMISSIONER DEBORAH FAULKNER – Chair**
- COMMISSIONER DON GREEN**
- COMMISSIONER BUD HULSEY**
- COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON**
- COMMISSIONER JERRIED JEFFERS**
- COMMISSIONER CHAD PARTIN**
- COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL**
- COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER**
- COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT**

DISCLAIMER – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 15, 2023, COMMISSION MEETING:

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IV. REPORT OF DECERTIFICATION SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING HELD FEBRUARY 15, 2024:

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

Blount County Sheriff’s Office – Request a military discharge waiver for **Andrew James Bowser**. In June of 2013, Mr. Bowser was discharged from the United States Army with an “Under Honorable Conditions (General)” discharge for misconduct.

Appearing

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Bluff City Police Department – Request a criminal waiver for **Joshua David Holsclaw (PSID 1341-5112)**, hired January 1, 2024. In May 2006, Mr. Holsclaw was charged with Operating a Vessel while Intoxicated in Camden County, Missouri. In September 2006, Mr. Holsclaw pled guilty and was convicted of the charge. Mr. Holsclaw has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Chattanooga Police Department – Requests reconsideration of a criminal waiver for **Jeremy Chad Yates (PSID 2278-4987)**, hired July 8, 2016. In December 2021, Mr. Yates was charged with Driving Under the Influence in Hamilton County, Tennessee. In November of 2022, Mr. Yates pled guilty and was convicted of the charge. Mr. Yates has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office – Request a criminal waiver for **Alexander Fritz Miinte (PSID 1418-2692)**, hired December 13, 2023. In May of 2014, Mr. Miinte was charged with an Alcohol Beverage Control Law Violation Minor and Open Container in Fredonia, New York. In June of 2014, Mr. Miinte received a second charge of ABC Violation Minor in Little Valley, New York. Mr. Miinte has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Jacksboro Police Department – Request reconsideration of a criminal waiver for **Benjamin Thomas Lake Evans (PSID 4719-3125)**. In April 2017, Mr. Evans was charged with DUI in Claiborne County, Tennessee. In August 2018, Mr. Evans pled guilty and was convicted of the charge. Mr. Evans has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Kingston Springs Police Department – Request a criminal waiver for **Christopher Ryan Miller (PSID 3027-3150)**. In June of 2009, Mr. Miller was charged with Domestic Assault in Williamson County, Tennessee. In October of 2009, the charge was amended, and Mr. Miller was convicted of Reckless Endangerment. Mr. Miller has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Lincoln County Sheriff's Office – Request a criminal waiver for **Odin Magnus Aesir (PSID 9190-0497)**, hired February 16, 2024. In August of 2010, Mr. Aesir was charged with DUI in Rutherford County, Tennessee. Mr. Aesir pled guilty and was convicted of the charge. Mr. Aesir has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Lincoln County Sheriff's Office – Request a military discharge waiver for **Kermet Louis Ross (PSID 8649-9901)**, hired January 1, 2024. In July of 2007, Mr. Ross was discharged from the United States Army with an “Under Honorable Conditions (General)” discharge for misconduct.

Appearing

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Maury County Sheriff's Office – Request a criminal waiver for **Beau Bradley Portwine (PSID 8451-6246)**, hired February 16, 2024. In September 2007, Mr. Portwine was charged with DUI in Bedford County, Tennessee. In December 2007, Mr. Portwine pled guilty and was convicted of the charge. Mr. Portwine has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Metro Nashville Police Department – Request a military discharge waiver for **Arash Aliyar**. In May of 2023, Mr. Aliyar was discharged from the United States Navy Reserve with a “(General) Under Honorable Conditions” discharge for unsatisfactory participation.

Appearing

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Murfreesboro Police Department – Request a criminal waiver for **Stephen Ellis Ahlstrom**. In January 2007, Mr. Ahlstrom was charged with Driving While Intoxicated – 1st Offense in Gates, New York. In October 2007, Mr. Ahlstrom pled guilty and was convicted of the charge. Mr. Ahlstrom has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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Putnam County Sheriff’s Office – Request a military discharge waiver for **Dustin Keith Cravens**. In November of 1999, Mr. Cravens was discharged from the United States Air Force with “(General) Under Honorable Conditions” discharge for misconduct.

Appearing

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TN State Parks – Request a criminal waiver for **Jordan Taylor Evans**. In September 2006, Mr. Evans was charged with Underage Possession of Alcoholic Beverages in Valdosta, Georgia. In December 2006, Mr. Evans was convicted of the charge. Mr. Evans has since satisfied all court ordered sentencing, fines, and fees.

Appearing

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

Atoka Police Department – Request a waiver to change academies for **Christopher William Binette Jolly (PSID 4761-9035)**, hired December 30, 2023. In May 2022, Mr. Jolly attended the Shelby County Sheriff’s Office Training Academy but did not complete due to an injury. Atoka Police Department is requesting the waiver so that he may attend the Memphis Police Department Training Academy in January 2024.

Appearing

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Chattanooga State Community College Campus Police Department – Request a waiver to change academies for **Raymond Omar Ayala-Castro (PSID 9256-7917)**, hired May 1, 2023. In October of 2023, Mr. Ayala-Castro attended transition at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy but did not complete due to failure to qualify in firearms. Mr. Ayala-Castro is scheduled to attend Cleveland State Law Enforcement Training in May of 2024.

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Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office – Request a waiver to change academies for **Thomas Jay Dempsey (PSID 2632-5461)**, hired January 1, 2024. In October 2013, Mr. Dempsey attended the Cleveland State Law Enforcement Training Academy but did not complete due to voluntarily withdrawing. Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office is requesting the waiver so that he may attend the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy.

Appearing

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Metro Nashville Police Department – Request a waiver to change academies for **Michael Matthew Connor (PSID 5297-4081)**. In December 2023, Mr. Connor attended the Tennessee Highway Patrol Training Academy but did not complete due to voluntarily withdrawing. Metro Nashville Police Department is requesting the waiver so that he may attend their academy.

Appearing

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Portland Police Department – Request a waiver to change academies for **Kyle Anthony Bray (PSID 0007-4072)**, hired December 18, 2023. In July 2022, Mr. Bray attended the Walters State Law Enforcement Training Academy but did not complete due to termination of employment. Portland Police Department is requesting the waiver so that he may attend TLETA.

Appearing

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Sevier County Sheriff's Office – Request a waiver to change academies for **Lisa Geralyn Haislip (PSID 1727-2925)**, hired August 7, 2023. In May 2022, Ms. Haislip attended the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy but did not complete due failure of the obstacle course. Sevier County Sheriff's Office is requesting the waiver so that she may attend the Walters State Law Enforcement Training Academy in April 2024.

Appearing

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Tellico Plains Police Department – Request a waiver to change academies for **Kaitlyn Ayn Watson (PSID 36702)**, hired January 1, 2024. In March 2022, Ms. Watson attended the Knox County Regional Training Academy but did not complete due to family obligations. Tellico Plains Police Department is requesting the waiver so that she may attend Cleveland State Law Enforcement Training Academy in May 2024.

Appearing

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TN Highway Patrol – Request a waiver to change academies for **De'Oudre Gemayel Matthews (PSID 8921-8935)**, hired December 1, 2023. In March 2008, Mr. Matthews attended the Memphis Police Law Enforcement Training Academy but did not complete due to academic failure. The TN Highway Patrol is requesting the waiver so that he may attend their academy.

Appearing

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VII. 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 2023 Salary Supplement.

Clarksville Police Department – Request a waiver of in-service for **Olivia Dianne Carson (PSID 3944-5677)**, hired July 17, 2023. Ms. Carson did not complete the required training for the 2023 calendar year due to an oversight by the agency. The waiver will allow both the agency and the officer to remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines.

Appearing

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Collierville Police Department – Request a waiver of in-service for the following officers, who did not complete the required training for the 2023 calendar year due to the agency’s in-service training having already concluded at the time of hire:

- **William Thor Lufkin (PSID 5026-9733)**, hired July 10, 2023.
- **Aaron Lane Tidyman (PSID 1324-7918)**, hired July 24, 2023.

The waiver will allow both the agency and the officer to remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines.

Appearing

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Signal Mountain Police Department – Request a waiver of in-service for **Robert Charles Hahn, Jr. (PSID 1741-8689)**, hired November 13, 2023. Mr. Hahn did not complete the required training for the 2023 calendar year due to the date of hire. The waiver will allow both the agency and the officer to remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines.

Appearing

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WAIVERS OF SIX (6) MONTH RULE:

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

Austin Peay State University Police Department – Request a six (6) month waiver for **Matthew Andrew Campbell (PSID 0783-9278)**, hired September 24, 2023. Mr. Campbell has been unable to attend training due to class availability. Mr. Campbell is scheduled to attend the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy in March of 2024.

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Brownsville Police Department – Request a six (6) month waiver for **Sarena Ann Diebold (PSID 2827-3010)**, hired August 31, 2023. Ms. Diebold was scheduled to attend the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy in January 2024 but was unable to begin training due to medical reasons. Ms. Diebold is scheduled to attend TLETA in March of 2024.

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Carter County Sheriff’s Office – Request two six (6) month waivers for **Charles James Whaley (PSID 2554-1401)**, hired July 10, 2023. Mr. Whaley was scheduled to attend transition at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy but was unable to begin training due to medical reasons. The agency is requesting the waiver until Mr. Whaley is medically cleared to begin training.

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Covington Police Department – Request a six (6) month waiver for **Gregory Allen Perry, Jr. (PSID 8651-0792)**, hired August 27, 2023. Mr. Perry has been unable to begin training due to class availability. Mr. Perry is scheduled to attend training at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy March of 2024.

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Northeast State Community College Police Department – Request a six (6) month waiver for **Calvin Tyler Hinkle (PSID 1307-1694)**, hired October 16, 2023. Mr. Hinkle is scheduled to attend the Walters State Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy but is unable to begin training due to costs and class availability. The agency is requesting additional time to satisfy these requirements.

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Sullivan County Sheriff’s Office – Request six (6) month waivers for the following officers:

- **Tyler Chase Brooks (PSID 5633-2891)**, hired October 13, 2023. Mr. Brooks is scheduled to attend the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy July of 2024.
- **Nathanael Graham Shannon (PSID 3112-5573)**, hired June 9, 2023. Mr. Shannon is scheduled to attend the Walters State Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy January of 2024.

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VIII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

(See Attached)

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IX. OLD BUSINESS

Millersville Police Department – Commission to receive follow-up report from POST investigator.

X. NEW BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Agreed Order of Surrender – On or about November 27, 2023, **Kendrick Dameyune Lee Leftwich (PSID 4226-0167)**, informed the P.O.S.T. Commission that he would temporarily surrender his P.O.S.T. certification for a period of one (1) year. Mr. Leftwich was employed by the White County Sheriff’s Office from June 14, 2021, until his termination on October 31, 2022, for providing false information during an investigation.

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Agreed Order of Surrender – On or about December 27, 2023, **Brandon Keith Patterson (PSID 0107-0053)**, informed the P.O.S.T. Commission that he would surrender his P.O.S.T. certification. Mr. Patterson was employed by the Pikeville Police Department from October 2, 2021, until his termination on October 10, 2022. Mr. Patterson was also briefly employed by the Grundy County Sheriff’s Office.

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Authorization Number 335472

Agreed Order of Suspension – Franklin Louis DeRiggi (PSID 7320-0923) was employed by the Mt. Juliet Police Department from July 14, 2006, until his termination on August 9, 2023, for multiple policy violations. Mr. DeRiggi agrees to the suspension of his P.O.S.T. certification.

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Annual Academy Reports – The following academies request approval of their 2023 Annual Academy Report:

- **Blount County Sheriff’s Office Regional Training Academy**
- **Chattanooga Police Department Training Academy**
- **Cleveland State Law Enforcement Training Academy**
- **Metro Nashville Police Department Training Academy**
- **Tennessee Highway Patrol Training Academy**
- **Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy**
- **Walters State Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy**

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Carthage Police Department – Jordan Douglas Green (PSID 6249-2204), was hired on July 1, 2023; however, P.O.S.T. did not receive the required paperwork until January 5, 2024.

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Claiborne County Sheriff’s Office – P.O.S.T. Commission to determine action for late submission of in-service training for the 2023 calendar year.

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Gibson Police Department – Jerry Dalton Morris (PSID 4432-8036) was appointed Interim Chief on February 1, 2023; however, P.O.S.T. has not receive the required pre-employment paperwork. Mr. Morris requires Transition to bring his certification active.

Appearing

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Hancock County Sheriff’s Office – Tristan Richard Pettiecord (PSID 1500-8096) was hired May 23, 2023; however, P.O.S.T. did not receive the required pre-employment paperwork until December 27, 2023.

Appearing

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Jackson County Sheriff’s Office – Israel Dakota Cuevas (PSID 9440-7586) was hired December 15, 2022; however, P.O.S.T. did not receive the required pre-employment paperwork until December 15, 2023.

Appearing

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Lawrence County Sheriff’s Office – Request the 2022 Salary Supplement be issued for Brian Jeffery Dean (PSID 4023-3308), hired April 22, 1996. Mr. Dean retired May 31, 2022; however, completed the required in-service training for the 2022 calendar year April of 2022.

Appearing

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Millington Police Department – Eric Steven Austin (PSID 2980-5526), hired May 15, 2017, was submitted for decertification, and had an informal hearing. The recommendation was to have a formal hearing. The agency is requesting to rescind the request.

Appearing

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XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

XII. ADJOURN

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