Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training
Peace Officer Standards Accountability Division
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STATEMENT OF FINDINGS

POST makes the following information available to the public pursuant to Penal Code §13510.85(c) which establishes that POST shall publish the names of any peace officer whose certification has been suspended or revoked and the basis for the suspension or revocation.

CASE NO.: POST2306950

SUBJECT OFFICER: Armando R. Ramirez **POST ID:** C74-U18

EMPLOYING AGENCY: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

ALLEGED MISCONDUCT: 13510.8. (b)(6)/11 CCR 1205. (a)(6) – Acts That Violate the Law, 13510.8.(b)(1)/11 CCR 1205. (a)(1) – Dishonesty

CASE SUMMARY:

On October 17, 2021, Respondent was involved in an off-duty incident at a bar in Glendora, California. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) conducted an administrative investigation, which revealed Respondent had been consuming alcohol, brandished a firearm, and was involved in a physical altercation. During the internal investigation, Respondent provided false information and was dishonest about the details of the incident. The LASD found the Respondent violated several Department policies and procedures regarding general behavior, specifically: disorderly conduct; obedience to the laws, regulations, and orders as it pertains to California Penal Code section 417(a)(2)(A); brandishing a firearm; and conduct towards others. The investigation also revealed Respondent violated the Department's policy regarding dishonesty/false statements when he provided false and/or misleading statements during the internal investigation.
The LASD subsequently sustained these allegations and terminated the Respondent on March 8, 2023.

Following POST's investigation and review, POST found, by clear and convincing evidence, that reasonable grounds existed for consideration of revocation pursuant to Penal Code 13510.8. The findings in the POST Investigative Summary and Findings report are as follows:

ANALYSIS/FINDINGS:

1. **The alleged misconduct violated Penal Code Section 13510.8 (b)(6) and Title 11, California Code of Regulations Section 1205 (a)(6) – Acts that violate the law**

Penal Code Section 13510.8 (b)(6) and Commission Regulation 1205 (a)(6) defines as serious misconduct: "Acts that violate the law are sufficiently egregious or repeated as to be inconsistent with a peace officer's obligation to uphold the law or respect the rights of members of the public, as determined by the commission."

On October 17, 2021, Respondent violated California Penal Code Section 417(a)(2)(A) when Respondent brandished a firearm in a threatening manner in a public place, and violated California Penal Code Section 245(a)(2), assault with a deadly weapon.

2. **The alleged misconduct violated Penal Code Section 13510.8 (b)(1) and Title 11, California Code of Regulations Section 1205 (a)(1) – Dishonesty**

Penal Code Section 13510.8(b)(1) and Commission Regulation 1205 (a)(1) defines as serious misconduct: "Dishonesty relating to the reporting, investigation, or prosecution of a crime, or relating to the reporting of, or investigation of misconduct by, a peace officer or custodial officer, including, but not limited to, false statements, intentionally filing false reports, tampering with, falsifying, destroying, or concealing evidence, perjury, and tampering with data recorded by a body-worn camera or other recording device for purposes of concealing misconduct."

Respondent was dishonest when he failed to provide true and accurate information to another law enforcement agency as well as LASD personnel which were either contradictory or found to be dishonest and self-serving.

OUTCOME/IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST PEACE OFFICER CERTIFICATION:

The Peace Officer Standards Accountability Division determined that reasonable grounds existed to seek revocation of the Respondent's certifications in this case. A notice of intent to revoke was served on October 16, 2023. Respondent did not file a request for review within the 30-day response period, pursuant to Penal Code section 13510.85 (a)(2), thus resulting in default revocation of Respondent's certification with no further proceedings. On January 9, 2024, the default order was issued and served on Respondent. Respondent Armando R. Ramirez' (POST2306950) (POST ID: C74-U18) peace officer certification was revoked on January 9, 2024.