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 California 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.: POST2303214

SUBJECT OFFICER: Brannon Adkins **POST ID:** C58-W28

EMPLOYING AGENCY: Oceanside Police Department

ALLEGED MISCONDUCT: CPC §13510.8(b)(1) / 11 CCR §1205(a)(1) – Dishonesty.

CASE SUMMARY:

On February 24, 2023, the Oceanside Police Department submitted two (2) serious misconduct complaints to POST against Officer Brannon Adkins, hereafter "Respondent". The first complaint stemmed from an investigation into a vehicular assault alleged by the Respondent. The second complaint stemmed from the investigation of three (3) under the influence arrests documented by the Respondent. Both complaints were reported to POST as sustained violations of dishonesty. 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. A summary of the investigative findings of the Division are as follows:

On August 5, 2020, the Respondent provided false information when he alleged his patrol vehicle had been intentionally rammed while transporting an arrestee. Through an unrelated Oceanside Police Department internal investigation, additional instances of dishonesty were discovered where the Respondent documented false information on the arrest reports of several individuals he arrested and booked for having been allegedly under the influence of methamphetamine. . On December 28, 2020, the Respondent was terminated from the Oceanside Police Department.

ANALYSIS/FINDINGS:

1. **The Respondent's misconduct violated CPC §13510.8(b)(1) and Title 11 CCR §1205(a)(1) – Dishonesty.**

CPC §13510.8(b)(1) and 11 CCR §1205(a)(1) defines dishonesty as "*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.*"

The Respondent falsely reported he had been the victim of a vehicular assault and stated during the criminal investigation that he felt an impact to his patrol vehicle which forced him into an adjacent traffic lane. Further, hours after the alleged incident, the Respondent falsely reported the make and partial plate of the alleged suspect vehicle, which the criminal investigation revealed did not exist as described by the Respondent.

The Respondent was also dishonest in his documentation of several individuals he had arrested for being under the influence of methamphetamine. Specifically, the Respondent included in his arrest reports, symptoms of methamphetamine influence not observed in the digital evidence of the encounter and arrest.

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 November 14, 2024. The Respondent did not file a request for review within the 30-day response period, pursuant to CPC §13510.85(a)(2), thus resulting in default revocation of the Respondent's certification with no further proceedings. On December 27, 2024, the default order was issued and served on the Respondent. The Respondent, Brannon Adkins' (POST2303214) (POST ID: C58-W28), peace officer certification was revoked on December 27, 2024.