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# PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS ACCOUNTABILITY CERTIFICATION REVIEW PANEL RECOMMENDATION

**DATE:** October 29, 2024

**CASE #:** POST2400920

**PEACE OFFICER:** Tommy Thompson

**POST ID#:** B81-T83

**AGENCY:** Los Angeles Police Department

**POST CONSULTANT / BC:** LEC Brad Ehrman / BC Mike Radford

**SYNOPSIS (INCLUDE ALLEGATION):**

This case was sent to POST from Los Angeles Police Department for the allegation that Respondent was involved in Acts that violate the law. On March 14, 2023, Det Thompson was involved in a on-duty single vehicle accident in an unmarked police vehicle. A traffic accident investigation was conducted and Det. Thompson was found to be driving under the influence and was arrested for DUI and hit and run.

On March 17 2023, while on-duty (asssigned home) Respondent was involved in a single car accident in his personal vehicle. A traffic accident was conducted and Respondent was found to be driving under the influence and he was arrested for DUI.

On Feburary 22 2023, Respondent plead no contest to one count of CVC 23152(a) (Misdemeanor-Driving under the influence of Alcohol) for his first DUI arrest. He then plead No Contest to one count of CVC 23103.5(a)(Misdemeanor-Wet Reckless) for his second DUI arrest.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Tommy Thompson, hereafter referred to as “Respondent,” was involved in serious misconduct, specifically, acts that violate the law and 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.

On March 14, 2023, Respondent was involved in a single vehicle, on-duty accident related to driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol. This accident occurred while the Respondent was driving a department-owned, unmarked detective vehicle and resulted in significant damage to the department owned vehicle and tree. The California Highway Patrol (CHP) responded to the

accident and found the Respondent to be under the influence of alcohol and or drugs. The Respondent was arrested by the CHP for DUI and Hit and Run.

On March 17, 2023, Respondent was involved in a second single vehicle, on-duty accident related to driving under the influence or alcohol and drugs. This accident occurred while the Respondent was driving his personal vehicle. The Los Angeles Sheriff's Department responded to the single vehicle accident and found the Respondent displaying objective symptoms of intoxication. The Respondent was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs. This was the Respondent's second DUI (in four days) while employed as a Detective for the Los Angeles Police Department.

On 2/22/2024, Respondents pled No Contest in Los Angeles Superior court to CVC 23152(a) (Misdemeanor-Driving under the influence of Alcohol) for the 3/14/2023 arrest and pled Nolo Contendere to CVC 23103.5(a) (Misdemean-or-Wet Reckless) for the 2/17/2023 arrest.

The Peace Officer Standards Accountability Division, Certification Executive Review Panel has reviewed the above referenced case involving alleged serious misconduct and has determined the following:

☐ There are reasonable grounds for revocation of a peace officer's certification.

☐ There are reasonable grounds for suspension of a peace officer's certification. The recommended term(s) for suspension are:

☐ There is insufficient evidence to support a recommendation of revocation or suspension of certification.

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