

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION
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North Plaza Meeting Room J at 4:30 p.m.

MINUTES
STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION MEETING
February 23, 2017

Members present: Chairperson W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq., Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq. (via teleconference call), Mildred Torres-Ferguson (via teleconference call), Honorable Elizabeth A. Bozzuto, Sarah Fryxell, Esq. (via teleconference call), Robert P. LaTorraca (via teleconference call), Tracy L. Dayton, Esq., and Michael Desmond. Also present were Ex-Officios Lisa Stevenson and H. Mark DeAngelis (non-voting members), Staff Director Jeffrey Beckham, and Staff Attorney Jennifer Y. Montgomery.

Chairperson W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq. called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

First Business

1. Minutes: December 15, 2016 meeting

The Commission, after a motion by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 5-0 to adopt the minutes from the December 15, 2016 meeting. Honorable Elizabeth A. Bozzuto abstained as she was not at that meeting.

Old Business

2. Update POSTC Academy Use of Force Training

Jeffrey Beckham advised the Commission that he and Staff Attorney Jennifer Montgomery had attended a series of meetings at the POSTC Academy in order to implement the new training requirements in the Use of Force Policy adopted by the Commission in December. He noted that staff had provided POSTC with a list of the class sizes as well as the courses outlined in the Policy. He noted the intention to require applicable marshals to take those courses they had not already taken within the year but not to require marshals to retake courses that they completed last spring until 2019. Accordingly, staff has devised a schedule for this year as well as a renewal schedule for 2019. He noted that POSTC is evaluating the courses and their available instructors as well as the payment mechanism for the training. POSTC is going to provide the Commission with a list of their course requirements and a questionnaire to assess the marshal's experience. He further noted that he planned on including the ex-officio members of the Commission in later discussions with POSTC regarding the content of the training. Ex-Officio DeAngelis expressed his belief that the ex-officios should have been invited to attend the meetings that had occurred. Attorney Beckham indicated that he fully intends to invite the ex-officios to meetings

regarding the content of the courses. He noted that up until this point, the meetings had been limited to a basic discussion of the courses outlined in the Use of Force Policy.

Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq. entered the meeting at this juncture.

New Business

3. Proposed CCADV Training

Jeffrey Beckham

Jeffrey Beckham described meetings and discussions held with Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence (CCADV) and officials with the Judicial Branch regarding anecdotal instances where there has been a lapse in sensitivity concerning victims of domestic violence such as attempting service at women's shelters and utilizing applicants as bait to effectuate service. The CCADV has proposed offering free training to the marshals after which the Commission staff may update the marshal manual and issue an administrative bulletin outlining best practices and things to avoid when interacting with victims of domestic violence. He noted the intention to host the non-mandatory training at 450 Columbus Blvd. He further noted that the CCADV has staff with experience working in gang and urban areas and that they may be willing to provide training in that area as well to incentivize marshal participation.

Commissioner Mildred Torres-Ferguson entered the meeting at this juncture.

Ex-Officio Lisa Stevenson noted some general problems with the service of restraining orders. Chairperson Philpot inquired from Ex-Officio Stevenson whether she thought the marshals would be receptive to the proposed training. Both she and Ex-Officio DeAngelis indicated that there was interest.

Ex-Officio Stevenson also noted some issues which have arisen in situations where a restraining order must be transferred to another county and there is a three-day window for service. Judge Bozzuto noted that this scenario occurs very infrequently. Ex-Officio Stevenson further indicated general concerns about access to fax machines at the courthouses.

[Deliberations proposed for executive session pursuant to Sections 1-200 and 1-225 of the Connecticut General Statutes to discuss the appointment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer]

The Commission, after a motion by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to enter executive session.

The Commission, after a motion by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to return to the public record. No votes were taken in executive session.

4. Proposed Decisions

The Commission, after a motion by Honorable Elizabeth A. Bozzuto, seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to adopt the Proposed Decision and enter a reprimand in the following file, including language in the final decision regarding the importance for the Respondent to be forthright in her oral and written communications with the Commission:

15-07

Zakrewski/Douglas

The Commission, after a motion by Honorable Elizabeth A. Bozzuto, seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to adopt the Proposed Decisions and revoke the state marshal appointment of the Respondents in the following files:

15-82	Zhang/Cappiello, Jr.
15-64	Feltman/Cappiello, Jr.
15-23	Kinity/Cappiello, Jr.
15-56	Faulkner/Cappiello, Jr.
15-78 &	Harisi/DiFiore
16-10	

5. Complaints

Jennifer Montgomery

The Commission, after a motion by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to find probable cause for a hearing in the following file:

15-76	Kaz/Conroy
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The Commission, after a motion by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to dismiss the following files:

15-84	Becker/Kadar
15-85	Nolan/Barnes
15-86	Walker/Copertino
15-87	Huckaby/Barnes
15-80	Angelo/Rodriguez
15-90	Monahan/Rodriguez
15-77	Rubin/McNicholas
16-03	Rubin/McNicholas

The Commission, after a motion by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to stay the following files:

16-47	Barcello/Kemp
16-25	Swift/White
16-39	Franklin/White
16-45	Dowler/White
16-48	Narowski/White
16-52	Adelman/White
16-65	Adelman/White

6. Capias Firearms

The Commission, after a motion by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to approve the following state marshal to carry a firearm while conducting his official duties subject to the submission of the requisite training, inspection, permit and insurance documents:

Name	County
Charles Dingle	Hartford

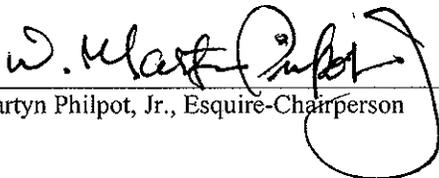
7. Inactive Request

The Commission, after a motion by Honorable Elizabeth A. Bozzuto, seconded by Michael Desmond, voted 8-0 to approve the following state marshal's request for inactive status due to health reasons:

Name	County
Mark White	New Haven

The Commission, after a motion by Honorable Elizabeth A. Bozzuto, seconded by Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., voted 8-0 to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Minutes were approved by the Commission on March 23, 2017.



W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esquire-Chairperson