

STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION
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STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION MEETING,

JANUARY 25, 2024

Commissioner Thomas A. Esposito, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Commissioner Esposito advised all participants that the proceedings were being recorded. Commissioner Esposito confirmed all members in attendance and verified that a minimum 5 voting member quorum was present.

Members present and participating remotely: Chairperson Thomas Esposito; Bryan Cafferelli; Shirley Skyers-Thomas; Alfredo Olivier, John Vamos, and Salvatore Vitrano; Ex-officio (non-voting) Members State Marshal Thomas Burke and State Marshal Lisa Stevenson. Commission Staff present: Director of Operations Anthony Valenti (non-voting) and Staff Attorney Claudia Maxwell(non-voting). Members Absent: Honorable Leo Diana and Michael Desmond.

Topics:

1. Minutes of the November 30, 2023, Regular Meeting: Commissioner Skyers-Thomas made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 30, 2023, regular State Marshal Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Vitrano. Commissioners Cafferelli and Vamos indicated they would be abstaining as they did not attend the November 30, 2023, meeting. The motion passed.

2. Administrative Updates: Director of Operations Valenti reported that Chris Morris has been hired as a special investigator and will start on January 26, 2024.

3. Retirements/Resignations/Inactive/Deaths: Commission Esposito made an announcement that New Haven State Marshal Gerald Raimo passed away after being on inactive status for an extended period. No successor marshal is needed as accounts are closed.

Commissioner Esposito announced that retirement requests were made by New Haven State Marshal John Burgarella, Hartford State Marshal Bruce Kaz and Middlesex State Marshal Douglas Harkins. All three marshals were on inactive status, so they had no TRO duty or wage garnishments that need to be transferred to a successor marshal. State Marshal Burgarella and State Marshal Kaz are asking for retirement badges. Ex-Officio Burke asked if there were any outstanding complaints. Commissioner Esposito answered that there were none. Commissioner Cafferelli made a motion to accept New Haven State Marshal John Burgarella, Hartford State Marshal Bruce Kaz and Middlesex State Marshal Douglas Harkins' retirement requests as well as retirement badges for New Haven State Marshal Burgarella and Hartford State Marshal Bruce Kaz, seconded by Commissioner Vitrano, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Esposito announced that New Haven State Marshal Neil Longobardi has requested that he be placed on inactive status and that New Haven State Marshal Peter Criscuolo, Jr. be appointed as his successor marshal. Commissioner Skyers-Thomas made a motion to approve New Haven State Marshal Neil Longobardi being placed in inactive status and for New Haven State Marshal Peter Criscuolo, Jr. to be designated successor, seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously.

4. Complaints:

Probable Cause - Commissioner Cafferelli made a motion to not find Probable Cause and dismiss **23-10 Lugo v. Zaniewski** which was seconded by Commissioner Olivier, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Vitrano made a motion to not find Probable Cause for **23-13 LeFante v. Zaniewski, Jr.** which was seconded by Commissioner Skyers-Thomas, the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Cafferelli made a motion to find Probable Cause in **23-12 In Re Hobart** that State Marshal Commission regulations 6-38b-6(1) and 6-38b-6(2) were violated which was seconded by Commissioner Skyers-Thomas, the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Vamos made a motion to find Probable Cause in **23-14 In Re Criscuolo** that State Marshal Commission regulations 6-38b-6(1) and 6-38b-6(2) were violated which was seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Vitrano made a motion to find Probable Cause in **23-15 In Re DAngelis** that State Marshal Commission regulations 6-38b-6(1) and 6-38b-6(2) were violated which was seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Vitrano made a motion to find Probable Cause in **23-17 In Re Nikola** that State Marshal Commission regulations 6-38b-6(1) and 6-38b-6(2) were violated which was seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously.

Final Decisions – Commissioner Vamos made a motion to accept the Proposed Final Decision and recommendation that a reprimand be placed in the file in **18-09 Sticca v. Delli Carpini** which was seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Skyers-Thomas made a motion to accept the recommendation that a reprimand be placed in the file in **18-22 Wright v. Douglas** which was seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Olivier made a motion to accept the recommendation that the complaint be dismissed in **18-40 Conrad v. Kemp** which was seconded by Commissioner Vitrano, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Skyers-Thomas made a motion to accept the recommendation that a reprimand be placed in the file in **19-42 Sazo v. Woods** which was seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Olivier made a motion to accept the recommendation that the complaint be dismissed in **20-01 Barbieri v. Reiff** which was seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Esposito adjourned the meeting at 6:53 pm.