



Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

# Decertification Attestation Letter

(Must be Submitted by Agency Head)

Per Nebraska Revised Statute §81-1414.19 (1) and (2), the following letter must be completed, signed, and returned to the Commission for every officer who has, on or after **January 1, 2021**: 1) Voluntarily surrendered their certifications or had their certifications revoked 2) Been convicted of or pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or a Class I misdemeanor; or 3) Upon adjudication by PSAC, been found to have engaged in serious misconduct.

**Date:** 10/25/2024

**Officer Name:** Allen Castaneda

**Rank:** Officer

**Agency:** Lexington Police Department

**Summarize the officer's conduct.**

Mr. Castaneda falsified his application for admission to Basic Training, in order to fraudulently obtain law enforcement certification in Nebraska.

**Describe any discipline imposed.**

*Mr. Castaneda was asked to resign after an internal investigation was completed and knowing that the training center was also investigating allegations of misconduct.*

As the agency's chief of police, sheriff, or head administrator, I affirm the truth and accuracy of the matters stated above.

*Chief Paul Schwarz*  
**Signature**

*October 28, 2024*  
**Date**

**Name:** Paul Schwarz

**Title:** Chief

## FOR COMMISSION USE ONLY

**Revocation Type**

Surrendered

Contested

Administrative

**Certification(s) Revoked**

Law Enforcement Officer

Supervisor

Management

Other, Specify:

**Action Approvals**

PSAC Approved

Commission Approved

Revocation Date

09/18/2024

10/25/2024

10/25/2024

**For the Commission:**

*[Signature]*

**Signature – Executive Director  
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