



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: 6-22-2022

Officer Name: John Peden

Rank: Officer

Agency: Cozad Police Department

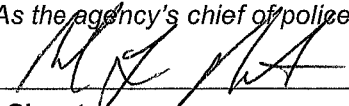
Summarize the officer's conduct.

Peden is alleged to have violated his oath of office, code of ethics or other statutory duties based upon his illegal search of a residence in violation of the resident's Fourth Amendment rights. Without legal authority or permission to do so, Peden entered a residence to conduct a search for a person he wanted to speak with.

Describe any discipline imposed.

Resigned in lieu of termination.

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


Signature

11-28-22
Date


Name: Mark Montgomery

Title: Chief

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Revocation Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surrendered	<input type="checkbox"/> Contested	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrative
Certification(s) Revoked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement Officer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supervisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Management
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other, Specify: Firearms Instructor		

Action Approvals	PSAC Approved	Commission Approved	Revocation Date
	8-17-2022	10-28-2022	10-28-2022

For the Commission: 
Signature – Executive Director
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