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**BEFORE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION
IN AND FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

In re the Certification of
ANDREI CONSTANTIN
Respondent.

NO. 22-068
STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Between approximately February 2017 and October 2021, ANDREI CONSTANTIN, a certified peace officer with the Seattle Police Department (SPD) engaged in conduct and/or a pattern of conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards of a peace officer; and/or disrupted, diminished, or otherwise jeopardized public trust or confidence in the law enforcement profession; and/or demonstrated an inability or unwillingness to uphold his sworn oath to enforce the Constitution and laws of the United States and the state of Washington. After engaging in this conduct, CONSTANTIN was terminated from the SPD on or around August 30, 2022. His certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv) and RCW 43.101.105(3)(k). The circumstances are as follows:

Count I

Between approximately May 2020 and October 2021, CONSTANTIN engaged in conduct and/or a pattern of conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards of a peace officer; and/or disrupted, diminished, or otherwise jeopardized

1 public trust or confidence in law enforcement; and/or demonstrated an inability or
2 unwillingness to uphold the officer's sworn oath to enforce the Constitution and laws of
3 the United States and the state of Washington when he made a series of online social
4 media posts on Twitter that: (1) celebrated, justified, trivialized, and/or ridiculed the
5 injuries of civilians involved in Black Lives Matter protests, including injuries caused by
6 law enforcement; and/or (2) suggested an area of Seattle occupied by Black Lives
7 Matter protesters should be "fixed" by "dropping Napalm on it;" and/or (3) celebrated
8 and/or justified violence toward civilians he believed were affiliated with the activist
9 movement known as "Antifa;" and/or (4) celebrated and/or trivialized crime, including
10 homicide, in Seattle; and/or (5) justified and/or trivialized violence between civilians that
11 arose during a dispute about wearing COVID-19 masks; and/or (6) demeaned Seattle
12 Police Department leadership. CONSTANTIN'S posts violated multiple SPD policies,
13 including its professionalism policy (SPD Investigation No. 2021OPA-0458).
14 CONSTANTIN'S peace officer certification is subject to discipline under
15 RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

16 AND/OR

17 **Count II**

18 Between February 2017 and October 2021, CONSTANTIN engaged in a pattern
19 of conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards required of a peace
20 officer; and/or disrupted, diminished, or otherwise jeopardized public trust or confidence
21 in the law enforcement profession; and/or demonstrated an inability or unwillingness to
22 uphold the officer's sworn oath to enforce the Constitution and laws of the United States
23 and the state of Washington. The pattern of misconduct included the following: (1) on
24 or around February 27, 2017, CONSTANTIN conducted a high-risk vehicle stop without
25 reasonable suspicion, which violated SPD's policies governing investigative detentions
26 and officer discretion, resulting in a written reprimand (SPD Investigation No. 2017OPA-

1 0215); and/or (2) on or around February 19, 2020, while engaging with a combative
2 subject, CONSTANTIN failed to employ proper de-escalation techniques, mocked and
3 was disrespectful toward the subject, and turned his camera off prematurely, which
4 violated SPD's professionalism and body-worn camera policies, resulting in a one-day
5 suspension without pay (SPD Investigation No. 2020OPA-0124); and/or (3) on or
6 around December 24, 2020, CONSTANTIN shattered the driver's side window of a
7 civilian's vehicle without a legitimate law enforcement reason during a traffic stop and
8 then failed to report the incident to either a supervisor or in the incident report, which
9 violated SPD's professionalism and documentation policies, resulting in an eight-day
10 suspension (SPD Investigation No. 2021OPA-0208); and/or (4) on or around June 22,
11 2021, CONSTANTIN made false, incomplete, and/or misleading statements about the
12 December 24, 2020, incident during an investigative interview with SPD's Office of
13 Police Accountability; and/or (5) on or around October 25, 2021, while conducting an
14 accident investigation, CONSTANTIN failed to employ proper de-escalation techniques
15 and was disrespectful to a subject, which violated SPD's professionalism and de-
16 escalation policies and would have resulted in discipline had SPD not already
17 terminated CONSTANTIN for the conduct described in Count I (SPD Investigation No.
18 2021OPA-0478). CONSTANTIN'S peace officer certification is subject to discipline
19 under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

20 AND/OR

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Count III

On or about August 30, 2022, CONSTANTIN was terminated from employment with the SPD after engaging in the misconduct described in Counts I-II. CONSTANTIN'S peace officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(k).

DATED this 10 day of October 2024.

By:



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