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MINUTES

STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION MEETING,

February 27, 2025

Commissioner Thomas A. Esposito, Chair, called the meeting to order. Commissioner Esposito advised all participants that the proceedings were being recorded. Commissioner Esposito confirmed all members in attendance and verified that a minimum five voting member quorum was present.

Members present and participating remotely: Thomas Esposito, Chair; the Honorable Leo Diana; Salvatore Vitrano; Melanie Dykas; Tyler Mack, Michael Desmond, Jackson Schipke. Ex-officio (non-voting) members present State Marshal Brian Mezick and State Marshal Lisa Stevenson. Commission Staff present: Director of Operations, Anthony Valenti (non-voting), Investigator Chris Morris (non-voting) and Staff Attorney Claudia Maxwell(non-voting).

Topics:

1. **Minutes of the January 23, 2025, Regular Meeting:** Commissioner Mack made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 23, 2025, regular State Marshal Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Vitrano. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion, there was none. The motion passed unanimously.
2. **Administrative Updates:** Director of Operations Valenti reported that state marshal candidates are going to be given notice that the written test will be available through PSI testing centers from March 7th through April 7th. Director Valenti expects to begin interviewing in April.
3. **Executive Session to discuss personnel matters:** Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Dykas made a motion that members enter executive session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Vitrano seconded the motion. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion, there was none. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Commissioner Mack to invite the Commission staff present to join the executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vitrano. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion, there was none. The motion passed unanimously. Executive Session began at 5:40 p.m. and ended at 6:00 p.m.

4. **Final Dispositions:**

Commissioner Esposito asked if a motion was being made to approve the settlement agreement, *In Re Peter Privitera*, File Nos. 24-22, 24-09, 24-13 that State Marshal Privitera serve a 21 -day suspension

for 21 consecutive days within 60 days of approval of the settlement. A motion was made by Commissioner Diana which was seconded by Commissioner Vitrano. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Esposito asked if a motion was being made to approve the settlement agreement, ***In Re Eric Nikola File No. 24-21***, that State Marshal Nikola serve a 21-day suspension for 21 consecutive days within 60 days of approval of the settlement. A motion was made by Commissioner Diana which was seconded by Commissioner Vitrano. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

File No. 24-18 *In Re Richard Smith*, File No. 24-19 *In Re Jon Stilicny* and File No. 24-20 *In Re William Drew* were postponed to a future meeting.

Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner Mack and seconded by Commissioner Vitrano. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.