## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

IN RE: SUSPENSION OF JOSEPH DUPONT (MPTC ID 5602-7090)	)	Case No. SU-2024-001
(WITTE ID 3002-7070)		

## **SUSPENSION ORDER**

The Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission ("Commission") hereby suspends the law enforcement certification of the Respondent, Joseph Dupont, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 6E, § 9(a)(1) and 555 CMR 1.08(1). The Commission has received sufficient evidence that the Respondent has been arrested, charged, and/or indicted for a felony offense, thus requiring the immediate suspension of the Respondent's certification. § 9(a)(1); 1.08(1).

The Respondent's suspension is effective immediately upon receipt of this Order by either the Respondent or the head of the Respondent's law enforcement agency, whichever is earlier. See M.G.L. c. 6E, § 10(e). The Respondent is hereby directed to surrender, and the Respondent's agency is directed to collect, without delay, any agency-issued credentials and equipment that promote and support the performance of functions associated with service as a law enforcement officer, including but not limited to, any uniform, badge, firearm, assigned cruiser, and use-of-force instruments, such as tasers. \(^1\)

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 6E, § 9(a)(5), "[a] suspension order of the [C]ommission issued pursuant to [Section 9(a)] shall continue in effect until issuance of the final decision of the [C]ommission or until revoked by the [C]ommission." See also 555 CMR 1.08(4).

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/ Enrique A. Zuniga
Enrique A. Zuniga
Executive Director

Dated: January 24, 2024

Notice to: Joseph Dupont

Division of Police Certification
Dighton Police Department
Collective Bargaining Unit
Bristol District Attorney's Office

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>See</u> M.G.L. c. 6E, § 3(a); 501 CMR 15.05(1), (2)(f)-(g).