

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION**

In the Matter of)	Case No. 2023-011-S
Matthew Farwell)	(PI-2022-11-22-003)
(MPTC User ID #9998-2053))	

DECERTIFICATION ORDER

The Respondent Matthew Farwell has entered into a Voluntary Decertification Agreement (“Agreement”) under which he has agreed to the permanent revocation of his certification as a law enforcement officer in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, beginning on the date of approval of the Agreement by the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (“Commission”), and the entry of his decertification in the National Decertification Index (“NDI”). See M.G.L. c. 6E, §§ 3(a), 10(f), and 10(g); M.G.L. c. 30A, §§ 10 and 13.

As further conditions of the Agreement, the Respondent has waived all rights to challenge his current status of “Not Certified” and to contest, in this or any other administrative or judicial proceeding to which the Commission is or may be a party, the factual findings, conclusions of law, terms and conditions, and other provisions contained in the Agreement. Failure of the Respondent to abide by the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall result in the Agreement becoming void. It may also result in the Commission initiating adjudicatory proceedings and seeking discipline against the Respondent based on any ground supported by the evidence obtained in a preliminary inquiry, whether or not it was covered in the Agreement.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that, for the reasons stated in the Agreement:

- (a) The Respondent’s certification is hereby permanently revoked;
- (b) The Respondent shall not seek or hold employment by any law enforcement agency in any capacity, shall be ineligible for admission to police schools or academies, and shall not seek renewal of his certification as a law enforcement officer in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and
- (c) The Executive Director shall take the necessary steps to publish the Respondent’s name and decertification status in the NDI and any publicly available lists and database published by the Commission.

By vote of the Commission on March 21, 2024.

Notice: Patrick Hanley, Esq., Respondent’s Attorney
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