STATE OF ALASKA ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL

In the Matter of)

DAVID L. CORNWALL)

Respondent.

NO. APSC 94-04

ORDER

The Alaska Police Standards Council (hereafter: Council) of the State of Alaska, having duly convened on the 23rd day of January, 1995, and having reviewed and discussed the Accusation against the respondent which was served August 26, 1994 in accordance with AS 44.62.380, takes official notice that a Notice of Defense or a request for hearing has not been received from respondent as required by AS 44.62.390. The Council also takes official notice that under AS 44.62.530, if the respondent does not file a Notice of Defense, the Council may take action based upon other evidence, and an affidavit may be used without notice to the respondent.

In accordance with the provisions of AS 44.62.530 the Council has considered the attached Affidavit of Laddie Shaw.

Based upon the Council's consideration of the facts recited in Mr. Shaw's affidavit,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. That the allegations made in the Accusation against the respondent dated August 25, 1994, are hereby adopted and the Accusation is made by reference a part of this order as though set forth fully herein.
- 2. That the respondent's police officer certificate in the State of Alaska is hereby revoked; and
- 3. That this Order of Revocation shall take effect in accordance with AS 44.62.520(a).

DATED this 23rd day of January, 1995.

Jack McDonald, Chairman

Alaska Police Standards Council

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 I hereby certify that __7_ members out of __//_ members were present at the time this order was considered and that __7_ members voted Yes and __O_ voted No.

Jack McDonald, Chairman Alaska Police Standards Council

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AFFIDAVIT OF LADDIE SHAW

Laddie Shaw, being first duly sworn upon oath, here deposes and states that:

The Administrator alleges as follows:

- A: I am employed as Administrator for the Alaska Police Standards Council (hereafter: Council).
- B: As Administrator, my duties include the investigation of allegations and, when appropriate, the filing of an accusation which may result in the revocation of police certificates.
- C: I have conducted an investigation into the matter of David L. Cornwall. Based upon the results of that investigation, and upon documents and records contained in council files, it is my information and belief that:
- 1. On or about February 18, 1975, the respondent was hired as a state trooper for the State of Alaska, Department of Public Safety.
- 2. On or about October 21, 1976, the respondent completed an application for certification on a form supplied by the Alaska Police Standards Council, requesting certification as a police officer.
- 3. On or about March 25, 1977, the respondent was certified as a police officer in the State of Alaska.
- 4. On or about April 5, 1993, the Alaska State Troopers in Fairbanks received a criminal complaint of "Sex Abuse of a Minor: involving the respondent.
- 5. On or about April 6, 1993, the respondent was arrested and charged with sexual abuse of a minor in the first degree.

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- 6. On or about April 7, 1993 an Administrative Investigation was initiated, focusing on the charges of sexual misconduct against the respondent.
- 7. On or about February 11, 1994, the respondent was discharged for cause from his employment as a Alaska State Trooper for the State of Alaska.
- 8. On or about May 23, 1994, the respondent was convicted of sexual abuse of a minor in the second degree in the Superior Court for the State of Alaska, in violation of AS 11.41.436(a)(3).
- D: On August 26, 1994, Laddie Shaw, Administrator of the Council sent to the respondent by U.S. mail, return receipt requested, documents consisting of an Accusation, Statutes of the Alaska Police Standards Council, the Administrative Procedures Act, and a Notice of Defense. The Accusation contained the allegations shown as number paragraphs 1-8.
- E: On October 3, 1994, a United States Postal Service "Return Receipt," was received by the Council signed with the name (indistinguishable) in care of Michael J. Wehree Asst. Superintendent. The date of delivery block was postmarked September 29, 1994. A copy of the Return Receipt is attached to this affidavit.
- F: The Notice of Defense and the letter dated August 25, 1994 sent to the respondent contains instruction that the Notice must be filed with the Council within 15 days of receipt if the respondent wishes to request a hearing or otherwise object to the accusation.
- G: The 15 day period during which respondent could have filed a Notice of Defense expired on October 13, 1994. As of the date of this Affidavit, no Notice of Defense has ever been received from the respondent.
- H: I conclude that the conduct described in numbered paragraphs 1 through 8 demonstrates that the respondent lacks good moral character, and that respondent was discharged for cause. Respondent therefore does not meet the minimum standards for a certified police officer established under AS 18.65.240(a)(2) and 13 AAC 85.110(a)(2).

Further you affiant sayeth naught.

Laddie Shaw, Administrator

Alaska Police Standards Council

Subscribed and sworn to before, 1995.	ore me this 5th day of January
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Respondent.

ACCUSATION

Laddie Shaw, Administrator of the Police Standards Council, Department of Public Safety of the State of Alaska, moves to revoke the certificate of David L. Cornwall, as a police officer pursuant to AS 18.65.240(a)(2), AS 18.65.240(c), AS 18.65.270, AS 44.62.330 et. seq., 13 AAC 85.010(a)(3), 13 AAC 85.110(a)(2), and 13 AAC 85.110(a)(3).

The Administrator alleges as follows:

- On or about February 18, 1975, the respondent was hired as a state trooper for the State of Alaska, Department of Public Safety.
- 2. On or about October 21, 1976, the respondent completed an application for certification on a form supplied by the Alaska Police Standards Council, requesting certification as a police officer.
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COUNT I

9. Paragraphs 1 through 8 are incorporated by reference as though set forth in detail. In addition, the Administrator alleges that the conduct described in paragraphs 4-8 demonstrates that the respondent lacks good moral character. The respondent therefore does not meet the minimum standards for a certified police officer established under AS 18.65.240(a)(2), 13 AAC 85.010(a)(3), and 13 AAC 85.110(a)(3), and his police officer certificate should be revoked.

COUNT II

10. Paragraphs 1 through 8 are incorporated by reference as though set forth in detail. In addition, the Administrator

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alleges that respondent was discharged for cause from employment as a police officer in Alaska, and therefore, his police officer certificate should be revoked under AS 18.65.240(a)(2) and 13 AAC 85.110(a)(2).

WHEREFORE, the Administrator prays that David L. Comwall's certificate as a police officer in the State of Alaska be revoked.

DATED this 25 day of August , 1994, at Juneau, Alaska.

addie Shaw, Administrator

Alaska Police Standards Council