#### STATE OF ALASKA

### ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL

In the Matter of

Thurman J. Riggan

No. APSC 2001 - 02

Respondent,

#### ORDER

The Alaska Police Standards Council of the State of Alaska, having duly convened on the 21<sup>st</sup>. day of May 2001, and having reviewed and discussed the Accusation against the respondent which was served April 19, 2001 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 hased upon other evidence, and an affidavit may be used without notice to the respondent.

Accordingly, the Council has considered the attached Affidavit of Irl T. Stambaugh.

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

# IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. That the allegations made in the Accusation against the respondent dated on the  $15^{\text{th}}$  of May 2001, 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 accordince with AS 44.62.520 (a).

Dated this 21st. day of May 2002.

Ronald Rice, Chairman Alaska Police Standards Council

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I hereby certify that <u>10</u> members out of <u>11</u> present at the time this order was considered and that <u>//</u> members were members voted yes and \_\_\_\_\_ voted no. Dated this 21<sup>st</sup>. day of May 2001. Ronald Rice, Chairman Alaska Police Standards Council Box 111200 Juneau, Alaska 99811-1200 

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#### ACCUSATION

Irl T. Stambaugh, Administrator of the Police Standards Council, Department of Public Safety of the State of Alaska, moves to revoke the certificate of Thurman J. Riggan, 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 <u>et. Seq.</u>, 13 AAC 85.010 (a) (3), and 13 AAC 85.110 (a)(3).

The Administrator Alleges as Follows:

1. On or about November 8, 1998, the respondent was hired as a police officer for the King Cove Police Department.

2. On or about November 24, 1999, the respondent submitted an application to the Alaska Police Standards Council (APSC) for a police officer certificate.

3. On or about March 8, 2000 the respondent was certified as a police officer in the State of Alaska.

4. On or about November 19, 2000, the Sand Point Police Department conducted a criminal and internal investigation into the allegation that the respondent misappropriated property valued at more

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than \$1,750 from the city of Sand Point. This misappropriation took place while the respondent was employed as the chief of police for the community of Sand Point and had resigned to accept a position as the chief of the King Cove Police Department.

5. As a result of the criminal and internal investigation it was determined that the respondent took three weapons marked for destruction from the evidence room and converted them to his personal use after paying \$40.00 for the weapons. The respondent also left the department with police department property owned by the city of Sand Point and valued at about \$800.00, all of which violated department policy and Alaska statutes.

6. During March 2001, the respondent did not pass his probationary period with the King Cove Police Department and he was not retained as an employee.

7. On or about May 9, 2001, the State of Alaska charged the respondent with Theft in the Second Degree, a class C felony and Official Misconduct, a class A misdemeanor. An arrest warrant was issued with bail in the amount of \$15,000. The cases are pending.

#### COUNT I

8. Paragraphs 1 through 7 are incorporated by reference as though set forth in detail. In addition, the administrator alleges that the conduct described in paragraphs 4-7 demonstrates that the respondent lacks good moral character. The respondent therefore does not meet the minimum standards for a certified police officer established under

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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. WHEREFORE, the administrator prays that Thurman J. Riggan's certificate as a police officer in the State of Alaska be revoked. DATED this 15<sup>th</sup>. day of May, 2001, at Juneau, Alaska

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State of Alaska Police St. Box 111200 Irl T. Stambaugh, Administrator Alaska Police Standards Council