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**BEFORE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION  
IN AND FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

In re the Certification of

**NINA JONES**

Respondent.

NO. 20-820

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

On or around October 7, 2020, NINA JONES, a certified peace officer with the Seattle Police Department (SPD), was terminated from employment with SPD after: (1) knowingly making false and/or misleading representations during an SPD investigation and in a court proceeding; and/or (2) engaging in conduct or a pattern of conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards required of a peace officer and/or disrupted, diminished or otherwise jeopardized public trust or confidence in the law enforcement profession. Such misconduct subjects JONES' peace officer certification to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(2)(d), (3)(j)(iv), and/or (3)(k). The circumstances are as follows:

**Count I**

Between approximately October 16, 2018, and October 7, 2020, JONES knowingly made misleading, deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations in the practice of being a peace officer. Specifically, JONES made false and/or misleading representations to investigators with the SPD Office of Police Accountability (OPA) during two internal affairs investigations (No. 2018OPA-0698 and No. 2018OPA-0872)

1 and to the Snohomish County Cascade Division District Court during an anti-  
2 harassment order proceeding brought by another SPD employee (referred to as “the  
3 Complainant” in the OPA investigation). These false and misleading representations  
4 concerned (1) her personal use of SPD’s Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) to obtain  
5 information about the Complainant; (2) a Child Protective Services investigation  
6 involving the Complainant’s and JONES’ minor children; (3) the nature of statements  
7 made by JONES’ minor child during a separate legal proceeding; (4) the date on which  
8 JONES’ minor child began therapy; and/or (5) the nature of text messages between the  
9 Complainant and JONES. By doing so, JONES violated SPD’s policy requiring that  
10 employees communicate truthfully and completely (SPD Policy No. 5.0001-11). In  
11 addition, JONES knowingly made further deceptive and misleading representations to  
12 OPA investigators during the course of internal affairs investigation No. 2018-OPA-0872  
13 by omitting the fact that the Complainant successfully obtained an anti-harassment  
14 order against her. After making these false and/or misleading representations, JONES  
15 was terminated from employment with SPD on or around October 7, 2020. JONES’  
16 peace officer certification is therefore subject to mandatory revocation under  
17 RCW 43.101.105(2)(d).

18 AND/OR

19 **Count II**

20 Between October 16, 2018, and October 7, 2020, JONES engaged in conduct  
21 that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards of a peace officer and/or  
22 jeopardized public trust in law enforcement when she engaged in the misconduct  
23 described in Count I. This misconduct subjects JONES’ peace officer certification to  
24 discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

25 AND/OR

1 **Count III**

2 On multiple occasions between approximately October 3, 2017, and October 7,  
3 2020, JONES engaged in conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional  
4 standards of a peace officer and/or jeopardized public trust in law enforcement when  
5 she misused official law enforcement resources for personal gain. Specifically, JONES  
6 used SPD's MDT to obtain messages sent by the Complainant (including after being  
7 disciplined for doing so). This conduct violated SPD's policy prohibiting employees from  
8 using their position or authority for personal gain (SPD Policy No. 5.001-13) and SPD's  
9 policy governing employee professionalism (SPD Policy No. 5.001-10). In addition,  
10 JONES ran the Complainant's personal vehicle license plate through databases  
11 containing criminal and Department of Licensing information without an official law  
12 enforcement reason for doing so. This misconduct subjects JONES' peace officer  
13 certification to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

14 AND/OR

15 **Count IV**

16 On multiple occasions between approximately October 3, 2017, and October 20,  
17 2020, JONES engaged in conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional  
18 standards of a peace officer and/or jeopardized public trust in law enforcement by  
19 harassing the Complainant. The Snohomish County Cascade Division District Court  
20 found that JONES filed unsubstantiated legal actions against the Complainant and  
21 entered an anti-harassment protection order against JONES on behalf of the  
22 Complainant. JONES' unprofessional conduct toward the Complainant violated SPD's  
23 professionalism policy (SPD Policy No. 5.001-10). This misconduct subjects JONES'  
24 peace officer certification to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

25 AND/OR  
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**Count V**

On or about October 20, 2020, JONES was terminated from employment with SPD after engaging in the misconduct described in Counts I-IV. JONES' peace officer certification is therefore subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(k).

DATED this 7 of May 2024.

By:



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