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

In re the Certification of
MICHAEL BABINO
Respondent.

NO. R22-105
STATEMENT OF CHARGES

On or around June 17, 2022, MICHAEL BABINO, a deputy with the Asotin County Sheriff’s Office (ACSO), used force that could reasonably be expected to cause physical injury and that use of force violated policies of the ACSO and/or Washington law. BABINO’S conduct also failed to meet the ethical and professional standards of a peace officer and jeopardized public trust in law enforcement. Accordingly, BABINO’S peace officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(e) and RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv). The circumstances are as follows:

Count I

On or around June 17, 2022, BABINO used an excessive amount of force while restraining a female inmate. This use of force could reasonably be expected to cause physical injury and violated the ACSO’s Use of Force and Deescalation policies and/or RCW 9A.36.041 (Assault in the Fourth Degree). BABINO’S peace officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(e).

AND/OR

1 **Count II**

2 On or around June 17, 2022, BABINO engaged in conduct that failed to meet the
3 ethical and professional standards required of a peace officer and jeopardized public
4 trust in law enforcement when he used excessive force as described in Count I.
5 BABINO'S peace officer certification is subject to discipline under
6 RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

7 AND/OR

8 **Count III**

9 On or around June 30, 2022, BABINO engaged in conduct that failed to meet the
10 ethical and professional standards required of a peace officer and jeopardized public
11 trust in law enforcement when he falsely told Pullman Police Department Detective
12 Michael Sontgerath that he had not received any training in de-escalation tactics. In
13 fact, BABINO received such training on or about January 21, 2021. BABINO'S peace
14 officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

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16 DATED this 27 day of June, 2023.

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20 Assistant Director, Certification
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