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

9 In re the Certification of

NO. 23-083

NIAMKEY AMICHIA

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Respondent.

On or about March 2, 2023, NIAMKEY AMICHIA, a certified peace officer with the Puyallup Police Department (PPD), was terminated from employment with PPD. On or about March 3, 2023, AMICHIA was found to have committed, without regard for conviction, a felony offense, in Pierce County. On or about August 23, 2023, AMICHIA was found to have committed, without regard for conviction, five prior felony offenses in 2016 in Connecticut. Preiously, on or around March 9, 2021 and July 1, 2022, AMICHIA knowingly falsified or omitted material information on applications for employment with Bellevue Police Department (BPD) and PPD. Further, AMICHIA engaged in conduct or a pattern of conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards required of a peace officer, disrupted, diminished or otherwise jeopardized public trust or confidence in the law enforcement profession, and/or demonstrated an inability or unwillingness to uphold the officer's sworn oath to enforce the Constitution and laws of the United States and the state of Washington. Such misconduct subjects AMICHIA's peace officer certification to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(i), (3)(c), (3)(j)(iv), and (3)(k). The circumstances are as follows:

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Count I

On or about March 3, 2022, AMICHIA was found to have committed a felony without regard to conviction when he was charged with rape in the third degree in violation of RCW 9A.44.060(1)(a) by the Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney. On or around October 7, 2022, while off duty, AMICHIA had sexual intercourse with an individual without their consent in Pierce County, Washington. AMICHIA's peace officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(i).

AND/OR

Count II

On or about August 23, 2023, AMICHIA was found to have committed multiple felonies, without regard to conviction when he was charged with Home Invasion, Sexual Assault in the 1st Degree, Kidnapping in the 1st Degree, Unlawful Restraint in the 1st Degree, and Impersonation of a Police Officer by the State of Connecticut. These felonies occurred on or around November 21, 2016, in Waterbury, Connecticut.

AMICHIA's peace officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(i).

Count III

On or about March 9, 2021, AMICHIA knowingly falsified or omitted material information on his employment application and during his polygraph examination for employment as a police officer with BPD when he failed to disclose the criminal activities he had previously engaged in, as described above in Count II. AMICHIA's peace officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(c).

AND/OR

On or about July 1, 2022, AMICHIA knowingly falsified or omitted material information on his employment application and during his polygraph examination for employment as a police officer for with PPD when he failed to disclose the criminal activities he had previously engaged in, as described above in Count II, and falsely stated that he had never resigned in lieu of discharge from prior employment.

AMICHIA's peace officer certification is subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(c).

AND/OR

10 Count V

On or about October 7, 2022, AMICHIA engaged in conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards required of a peace officer; disrupted, diminished or otherwise jeopardized public trust or confidence in the law enforcement profession, and/or demonstrated an inability or unwillingness to uphold the officer's sworn oath to enforce the Constitution and laws of the United States and the state of Washington when he paid money to engage in sexual conduct with another person. As a result, AMICHIA pleaded guilty to the misdemeanor offense of patronizing a prostitute on or around July 14, 2023. This misconduct subjects AMICHIA's peace officer certification to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).

AND/OR

21 Count VI

Between approximately November 21, 2016 and March 2, 2023, AMICHIA engaged in conduct that failed to meet the ethical and professional standards required of a peace officer; disrupted, diminished or otherwise jeopardized public trust or confidence in the law enforcement profession, and/or demonstrated an inability or unwillingness to uphold the officer's sworn oath to enforce the Constitution and laws of

1	the United States and the state of washington when he engaged in the conduct
2	described in Counts I-IV. This misconduct subjects AMICHIA's peace officer certification
3	to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv).
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6	Count VII
7	On or about March 2, 2023, AMICHIA was terminated from his employment with
8	PPD after engaging in the misconduct alleged in Counts III-VI. AMICHIA's peace officer
9	certification is therefore subject to discipline under RCW 43.101.105(3)(k).
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