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MEMORANDUM FOR Mr. Bob Stresak, Executive Director Commission on POST

SUBJECT: Exception to Policy-One Time Requalification

Mr. Stresak,

Thank You for taking the time to read my note. The purpose of this memorandum is to request an exception to policy regarding the one time attendance to the requalification course as per POST regulation. Mr. Don Lane, and Mr. Gabe Harp have been phenomenal on to trying to assist me with my request. I have also spoken to the Requalification Academy Coordinator Mike Yorks and Vice President of Academy Services Gregg Giusiana at The Academy South Bay Regional Training Consortium. They both are fully supportive for me to attend the requalification after my retirement from the military. I had two classmates in class #30 that were returning back through the requalification for different reasons back in 2012.

Sir, I did not waste any time after completing the requalification course back in 2012 to get into a job in Law Enforcement. I was offered a job with the SFSU PD a few months after completing the requalification course. Unfortunately for me at the time I was disapproved by my Battalion Commander to take the job as a Law Enforcement Officer and hold my job in the U.S. Military on Active duty (AGR).

The OPTEMPO in previous unit and I now my present unit has been extremely high with multiple humanitarian missions, OEF/OIF Deployments, and now currently on fires mobilization. I've provided Greg and Don all supporting documentation regarding these. I will have 23 years total service by the time I am eligible for full Active duty retirement soon. I would like to be able to switch uniforms and do the job that I always dreamed of doing.

I spoke to Mr. Yorks again yesterday and he informed me that he POST did approve me to attend in 2012 and gave me credit for my military service. I met with Mr. Gregg Giusiana in his office in early September 2012 of my situation and informed him that I did not have a profile report. I informed him that I completed RBC 2002, deployed to the Middle East in support of OEF/OIF 2004-2006. Gregg approved my attendance for class #30 pending approval from POST. (See attached receipts). I am very indebted to Mr. Giusiana for that opportunity. I was blindsided when I was not allowed to take the Job offer with the San Francisco State University Police Department. Lastly, any assistance that you might be able to provide me and my family with an Exception to Policy to the one time rule will be greatly appreciated by myself and my family. I would enjoy meeting you in person if necessary. Have a beautiful day Sir!

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