

# **Attachment D**

**Subject:** RE: POST Basic Certificate Situation

**Date:** Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 1:19:28 PM Pacific Daylight Time

**From:** Rodriguez, Mario@POST

**To:**

**CC:** Singer, Kate@POST

Mr. McCullough:

My name is Mario Rodriguez...I work with Kate at Calif. POST.

I've done some preliminary work on your situation...you have a very unusual circumstances from what I can gather so far.

My initial concern is why the Calif. Hospital Police do **not** have you listed on their POST Roster of peace officers.

So – first and foremost, I need to speak with you about your situation...and when we talk, here is the first question: Do you know and/or work with Jesus Gallegos?

For now, that question is a key starting point. We'll go from there.

My contact details are listed below...and I – unlike Kate – am VERY familiar with questions you have about your status and the options you may have. My cell phone is the best way to reach me (listed below).

So, I look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

*Mario Rodriguez*

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**Subject:** Re: Basic Course Waiver Question

**Date:** Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 11:42:54 AM Pacific Daylight Time

**From:** Terence V. McCullough

**To:** Rodriguez, Mario@POST

Mr. Rodriguez —

I am still unclear as to why I cannot obtain my POST Basic Certificate under the exception pertaining PC832.4.

Could you please explain this to me?

Thank you so much.

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**From:** "Rodriguez, Mario@POST" <Mario.Rodriguez@post.ca.gov>

**Date:** Friday, May 20, 2016 at 9:19 AM

**To:** "Terence V. McCullough"

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**Subject:** Basic Course Waiver Question

Dear Terence:

First, it was a pleasure to meet you over the phone and to talk with you yesterday.

As promised, I have done some preliminary "checking" on what turns out to be the only viable option you have at this point – which (as you already knew!) is the Basic Course Waiver Process. Your primary contact here at POST is Luanne Vasquez, Basic Training Bureau. I've copied this e-mail to her and to her Bureau Chief, Scott Loggins. I'm also copying this to your regional consultant, Maria Sandoval and to her acting Bureau Chief, Karen Lozito (who happens to have Region III responsibilities which include the Calif. State Hospital Police).

I went by Luanne's office and found out she is not working today but she will be back on Monday. I have gone through the materials at the following link:

<https://post.ca.gov/basic-course-waiver-process.aspx>

I think you are right – this particular POST "Process" seems to be the only process designed for the unprecedented and complicated nature of your situation with State Hospital Police.

Here is the key to the letter you will be submitting (taken straight off the regulation):

**Step 1: Application/Self-Assessment**

**The application/self-assessment must include verification of successful completion of each of the following:**

- at least a 200-hour general law enforcement basic course,
- at least 664 hours of general law enforcement training (including basic course),
- the legislatively mandated training subjects included in the Regular Basic Course

**at least one year of general law enforcement experience**

Each of these four “requirements” are the things you will need to expand on. You will need to provide verification (proof) of your qualifications in each one.

The good news is that we – POST – can see that you have successfully completed a California Intensive Basic Course, a California Requalification Course, and 80 hours of California POST certified training in the current CPT Training cycle. What we can’t see is your current Peace Officer status, your duties, and the other key information that you supplied in your original e-mail.

The primary issue, as we discussed, is that you were hired in 2012 by an agency who appointed you to a peace officer classification that is NOT included in the POST program.

So, I’ll be talk with Luanne on Monday...I will be asking her and looking for something that I am not aware of that would keep you from qualifying to apply for the Basic Course Waiver – so far, I can’t see any reason.

I’ve got a busy day on Monday. I will try and get back to you by late Monday, Tuesday morning at the latest.

Respectfully,

*Mario Rodriguez*

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