

Peace Officer Standards and Training 2018 Investigations Action Report

POST Investigations Activity

In 2018 POST Investigations conducted the following investigative activity:

Total Complaints Reviewed		258
Total New Cases Opened		99
Total Cases Presented to POST Council		50
2013 cases	1	
2014 cases	1	
2015 cases	1	
2016 cases	27	
2017 cases	13	
2018 cases	7	
Total Cases Closed With No-Action Following Investigation		22
2016 cases	2	
2017 cases	12	
2018 cases	8	
Total Cases Closed by Voluntary Relinquishment		22

POST Council Activity

In 2018 the POST Council administered the following disciplinary sanctions during four regularly scheduled quarterly council meetings:

New Cases Reviewed 50

Sanctions Issued:

Revocations issued	5
Suspension of four (4) years issued	2
Suspension of three and one half (3 1/2) years issued	1
Suspension of three (3) years issued	2
Suspension of two and one half (2 1/2) years issued	4
Suspension of two (2) years issued	4
Suspension of one and one half (1 1/2) years issued	8
Suspension of 15 months	0
Suspension of one (1) year issued	11
Suspension of nine (9 mo) months issued	0
Suspension of six (6 mo) months issued	3
Suspension of three (3 mo) months issued	1
Indefinite suspension	2
Letter of caution issued	7
No sanction issued	0

Compliance with POST Recommendations:

Administrative Law Judge rulings accepted as recommended	3 (43%)
Administrative Law Judge rulings recommendation rejected	4 (57%)
Hearing waiver accepted as recommended	20 (71%)
Hearing waiver recommendation rejected	8 (29%)
Order of Default accepted as recommended	11 (85%)
Order of Default recommendation rejected	2 (15%)
Total cases where Council voted for greater sanction	7 (14%)
Total cases Where Council voted for lesser sanction	8 (16%)
<i>*Total cases accepted as recommended</i>	35 (70%)

Certifications Sanctioned:

Certified Law Enforcement Officers sanctioned	34
Certified Correctional Officers sanctioned	12
Certified Special Function Officers sanctioned	3
Certified Dispatchers sanctioned	1

Note: officers with dual certification (LEO & Corrections) are included in the LEO numbers above

Cases Related to Alcohol or Drug Use:

Primary alcohol related offenses	8 (16%)
Alcohol secondary contributor	5 (1%)
Primary prescription drug offense	2 (.4%)
Prescription drug secondary contributor	0 (0%)
Primary controlled substance (street drug) offense	0 (0%)
Controlled substance secondary contributor	0 (0%)

Definition: Primary offense means the consumption of alcohol or drugs was the primary cause of the offense-as in DUI or possession of controlled substance. Secondary contributor means alcohol or drugs were a factor in the case but not the primary cause-as in a domestic violence assault where the subject had consumed alcohol or was intoxicated.

Incidents of Misconduct Presented to the Council:

Driving Under the Influence	8
False Information to Obtain Certification	6
Falsification of a Government Record	6
Assault	5
BCI/UCJIS Violation	5
Carrying a Concealed/Loaded Weapon While Intoxicated	3
Lying Under <i>Garrity</i>	3
Criminal Trespass	2
Criminal Mischief	2
Disorderly Conduct	2
Domestic Violence Assault	2
Wildlife Violations	2
Intoxication	1
Sexual Conduct On-Duty	1
Possession of a Controlled Substance	1
Obstruction of Justice	1
Official Misconduct	1
Animal Cruelty	1
Domestic Violence in the Presence of a Child	1
False Evidence of Title and Registration	1
False Reporting/Abuse of 911	1
Interruption of a Communication Device	1
Lewdness	1
Open Container of Alcohol in a Vehicle	1
Reckless Endangerment	1
Stalking/Violation of Injunction	1
Theft	1
Threatening with a Dangerous Weapon	1
Unfit for Duty	1
Vicious Animal at Large	1
Wrongful Appropriation	1