

Peace Officer Standards and Training



**Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's needs,
but not every man's greed.**

- Mahatma Gandhi

Integrity Bulletin

Once I was at the Canadian border, and I went into this store where there was a "half-price sale" going on. I started looking at a leather coat marked 50 percent off. I was the only customer in the store, but there were two salespeople and the owner-manager.

The manager said to me, "What a deal this is." He really sold me on it. The coat fit me well, and I liked it. I then said to him, "Even with this discount, it could be expensive. How much duty would I have to pay?" He said, "None. You don't have to pay anything on this." I said, "Well, it says on the customs form that I must declare everything I purchase abroad." He said, "Don't worry about it. Just wear it. Everyone else does it."

I said, "But I signed the form." He said, "Listen, mister, everyone does it. They won't even ask you questions. Just wear the coat when you cross the border. Don't worry about it." And I said, "Well, the thing that worries me most is what these two gentlemen behind you might think now about how you will deal with them on matters of commission, career training, and things of this nature." The manager and the two salespeople all blushed. 'Be Loyal To Those Absent' by Stephen R. Covey.



OPR Manager's Note

The POST Integrity Bulletin looks at the self-imposed circumstances in which our POST certified professionals find themselves.

What causes, otherwise reasoned, rational and professional law enforcement officers, to do the stupid things they do?

Our continuing efforts to study acts of misconduct and come to a solution, have met with less than positive results.

Remember the words, "moral turpitude?" They are used in the legislation that allows for a uniform standard for individuals with prior drug use, and sets forth improved DUI standards, and acts related to juvenile conduct. We trust the information herein will bring attention on our profession's ability to deter official misconduct, improve the public perception of Idaho's law enforcement officers, and promote responsible, ethical discourse within your agency or department.



Case Studies

INSIDE STORY

The following incidents (we say “incidents” instead of “stories” because if they were not real, you may think they are just that, “stories”) are provided for your “enlightenment” and, quite honestly, your incredulous entertainment. You’ve heard the saying, “You can’t make this stuff up.” Well, we either say or hear it said on a daily basis.

These incidents were NOT ultimately entertaining for the officer experiencing the consequences that followed, but by sharing them with you, we hope to let you learn from the mistakes of others. If you can not do that, then maybe someday, you too will be featured here in the Integrity Bulletin...Don’t worry we will keep the names and agencies out of the story to protect (if possible) what’s left of your reputation.

Warning Will Robinson , DANGER, DANGER!

- Lost in Space, Robot B9

IDAPA 91.04

- a. Engages in criminal conduct whether charged or not.
- g. Acts of corruption....
- h. Unauthorized use or unlawful conversion of the property, equipment, or funds.

IDAPA 064:

02. Personal and Official Life. I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or my agency.



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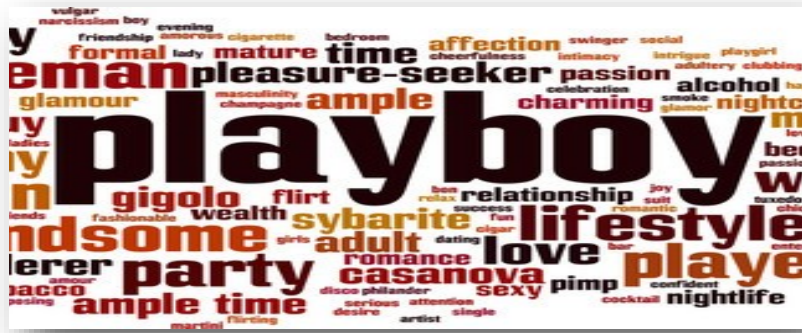
PREDICTABLE CHARACTER PATTERNS: WARNING

We thought we would profile one of our IBB’s (*Integrity Bulletin* Boneheads), to see if we can predict some character patterns that might give us pause:

Prior to being hired, Mr. Phil Anderer, (PA), was officially listed on two crime reports for passing checks/non-sufficient funds. After being hired:

- 18Apr XX: Officer PA made inappropriate remarks to an inmate about the inmates’ family. Counseled/written warning.
- 20Apr XX: PA was arrested for possession of a controlled substance w/o a prescription. Not prosecuted, but written warning/required to participate in random urine analysis.
- 04Jul XX: PA was found intoxicated in public off-duty, wearing agency t-shirt. Counseled for unbecoming conduct, immoral conduct, use of alcohol in uniform, associations with people with reputations for criminal behavior.
- 22Sep XX: Reprimanded for openly carrying his badge and weapon off duty prior to receiving POST certification.
- 07Oct XX: While en route to POST, PA used unmarked police vehicle to take police action on motorist. Verbally counseled.
- 05Dec XX: Citizen complaint of a civil dispute/alleged stolen property.
- 21Jan YY: PA arrested the boyfriend of an ex-girlfriend for DV, resumed his relationship with the EX. Verbally counseled for conduct unbecoming & immoral conduct, counseled to retain a professional relationship w/suspects, witnesses & victims.
- 10Feb YY: PA was involved in a vehicle collision off duty, agreed to pay for damage. Citizen complained PA never paid for damage.
- 23Feb YY: PA placed on admin leave pending review of totality of complaints. Reinstated, but placed on 6 months’ probation.
- 20Apr YY: Citizen complaint PA consumed alcohol on-duty, in uniform, in a public restaurant. Admitted culpability; verbally counseled.

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THE DRAMATIC CONCLUSION



CONT...THE ADVENTURES OF PHIL ANDERER

- 21Jun YY: Citizen complaint, sexual activity with domestic violence victim.

On 21JunYY, Addie Dultris, called the Lieutenant to explain she was in a relationship with Officer Phil Anderer, whom she met when he responded to a DV call at her residence two months prior.

On that date, Mrs Dultris’s husband was arrested by Anderer for Domestic Assault. After her husband was taken into custody, Anderer stayed behind to finish interviewing Dultris in the presence of her friend, Dusty Bottoms. During the interview, the topic of divorce came up and Anderer offered to purchase Mrs Dultris’ horse for a \$1 so she would not lose it in a divorce. Although she declined the offer, the next day Bottoms received a text message from Anderer’s personal cell phone indicating, Mrs Dultris was “hot” and he wanted to “hook up” with her. Because Dultris was feeling hurt, lonely and needed “positive attention”, she and Anderer began a flirtatious texting relationship. Anderer promised he would “treat her right”. She asked, “What are the 3 most interesting things about you?” He texted, “I would do anything for my friends. I pamper the girls I date. I have studied and mastered the art of [TOO HOT FOR PUBLICATION]; I can make a woman [TOO HOT FOR PUBLICATION].” Flustered, by his response, she admitted she was not interested in sex with him; however, later that night, Anderer stopped by and they began “making out”. And of course, after seeing Addie Dultris daily over the next week, Phil Anderer achieved his goal, impregnating her.

Because Dultris was “falling in love” with Anderer, she began buying things for his new apartment; a television stand, a microwave, a coffee pot and a couch. Dultris stopped short of buying the motorcycle he wanted because she heard he was flirting with girls. Predictably, Anderer told Dultris she was a waste of his time and an old woman. **THUS**, the phone call to the LT.

Anderer was ordered to stay away from Dultris but couldn’t. He later blamed her for ruining his career, his life, noting he was “**going to lose everything.**” He told her he was in love with her and he shouldn’t be in trouble for loving someone. Feeling guilty, Dultris paid \$600 to cover the month’s rent, had sex with him and left. Later that day, Anderer called her to say, he didn’t want any kind of a relationship and that her tears were “humorous to him.” He recommended she get “back on her meds”. (Note: Addie Dultris miscarried the “love” child and moved after receiving threats from Phil Anderer.)

After Phil Anderer’s termination, he disputed the allegations, stating the agency had “no right to interfere or discipline me in my personal life.”

Oh Really? That’s not what the POST Council thought as he was Decertified forthwith.

HE SAID/SHE SAID

LEGAL STUFFS

POST Council’s Code of Ethics/Standards of Conduct, IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.064: POST Council’s Code of Ethics/Standards of Conduct:

.02 ...Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my department.

AND POST council’s Code of Ethics/Additional Cause for Decertification, IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.091:

d. Lying or falsifying official written or verbal communications.

e. Engages in inappropriate sexual conduct while on duty.

f. Engages in an inappropriate relationship, sexual or otherwise, with a person who the officer knows or should have known is a victim, witness, defendant, or informant...



...and a whole lot of others we could throw in for good measure.



HE SAID/ SHE SAID

While patrolling the all-too loosie streets of Coppers County, Deputy Sgt Cal Pable, was called to the rescue. A citizen at the market advised that a male, later identified as Joe Beggars, was annoying and asking patrons for money. Pable located Beggars and told him to leave the area. Beggars left in a black SUV with a female driver. The market storeowner then expressed his desire to press charges against Beggars for trespassing. Pable located the black SUV, with both Beggars and his female companion, Wanda Sueyou inside. Pable's partner detained Beggars while he had Sueyou get out of the vehicle to search her. During the search, Pable asked Sueyou if she was wearing a bra. To be quite transparent, Sueyou lifted her shirt to expose the fact that she was not. Somehow, although Sueyou was not arrested for DUI and/or public exposure, her friend Beggars was arrested for outstanding warrants.

Pable, then, without activating his dash or body camera, asked the intoxicated Sueyou to drive her vehicle away to a more secluded location so he could "check on" her. Sueyou suspected Pable enjoyed the previous "pat down" and noted he probably wanted sexual favors, so she took pictures of Pable with her phone as he was approaching the vehicle. She also recorded a conversation. Here it comes; **He said / She said** lawsuit versions of the truth:

She Said, there was some sexual bantering between them and then he took her back to his vehicle and had sexual intercourse with her. She was too intoxicated to give permission and was intimidated by the situation.

He Said, he had no physical contact with Sueyou, although there was some sexual conversation bantered back and forth. It was clear she was pursuing him.

Oh, but wait, what about the recording Sueyou made...of course, that helped the groggy memory. Let's try that again:

He (clarifyingly) Said, during his second contact with Sueyou she had gotten out of her vehicle and came to his driver side door where *she* pulled his man unit out of his pants and began to stimulate him manually. She was the aggressor and any action was voluntary on her part (of course). I don't suppose Sgt Cal Pable could have avoided this brutal attack on his manliness by pushing her away and/or arresting her for sexual assault. Cal Pable quickly realized his career ending mistake and signed a Stipulation to Decertification. He's lucky the prosecutorial powers at be decided neither would be seeing jail time.

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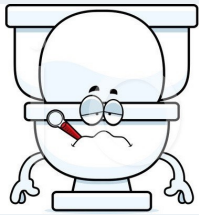
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NASTY EXCUSE

LEGAL STUFFS



It appears Officer Collin Blown violated the following section of IDAPA rule 11.11.01.064 POST Council's Code of Ethics/Standards of Conduct:

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It also appears he violated the following sections of IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.091, POST Council's Code of Ethics, Additional Cause for Decertification:

d. Lying or falsifying ... verbal communications.

And how-about...

h. Unauthorized use or unlawful conversion of the property, equipment or funds of the agency.

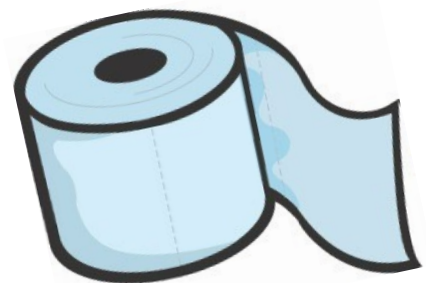
MONTEZUMA'S REVENGE

On a date, not too long ago, former Gottago Police Department (GPD) probationary officer, Collin Blown was terminated for cause after GPD's internal affairs (IA) investigation substantiated a complaint that Blown violated GPD policy by running his patrol car lights outside of GPD jurisdiction for "personal reasons." When confronted with the allegations, Blown indicated he was attempting to get to a restroom to avoid defecating in the vehicle because of an upset stomach. Blown claimed after it was too late, he drove to his mother's residence in Passit, ID to clean up. GPD's IA determined, through Blown's vehicle GPS, he did not stop at his mother's residence.

During his interview with POST, Blown maintained the biological emergency scenario. After all, who would ever want to follow-up on the claim that you defecated your drawers in the patrol car (how embarrassing). I suppose if someone is willing to admit he did that, we shouldn't question his integrity. The problem was, Officer Blown, was traveling on a very busy and construction laden highway on his way to work during rush hour. The traffic was terribly backed up. No worries, he knew how to relieve the constipating congestion and decided to activate his front and rear emergency lights to get around the traffic and exit the highway ahead of everyone else. (Don't want to be late for work.) Little did he know, another (off-duty) officer had been patiently waiting in the same traffic and noted Blown's emergency lights in his rearview mirror and moved to allow Blown to pass. After Blown exited the highway, he turned his lights off and proceeded on his way. Hmm, curious; the Off-Duty officer called dispatch to confirm Blown's out-of-jurisdiction "emergency". As soon as Blown's nonexistent purpose was discovered, his stomach started churning trying to come up with the excuse. "That's it! No one will blame me for this one, nor will they check." After lying to dispatch about which lights he activated, then to his boss, he spewed the ultimate excuse; **Montezuma's Revenge** was working overtime, "but before I could make it to the restroom, it was too late." So, I drove to my mommy's house to clean up.

I'm telling you, Officer Collin Blown has the worst luck. This just happened to be the second time he played with the emergency lights on his patrol car for his own use (second agency) and the second decertification investigation by POST. Sorry dude, not twice. Was it necessarily the lights? Not really, but when Blown claimed diarrhea to cover his tracks, he sealed the deal.

You're no longer worthy to carry the badge.





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Technology

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IV Policy.

8. Authorized users can be held accountable for unauthorized or illegal use of State Issued IT Devices issued to that State employee. Such violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action.

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IN THE NEWS

Anchorage PD: Clerk made illegal database searches

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By: Chris Klint

A longtime Anchorage police clerk, Bianca Purcell, 39, was indicted by a grand jury Tuesday on one count each of felony criminal use of a computer, misdemeanor attempted criminal use of a computer and misuse of confidential information. The alleged access occurred on July 11, and police began to investigate it the following day. Police and court officials are generally barred from using criminal databases – such as the Alaska Public Safety Information Network – to run queries on people outside the scope of their work. “The charges stem from the allegations of Purcell looking up persons both in APSIN and APD’s in-house system for a non-work-related reason.”

Court records show that Bianca Purcell has had a divorce proceeding with her husband, former Houston mayor Roger Purcell, open since January. According to the Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman, Roger Purcell resigned in 2010 – shortly before a recall election targeting him over various allegations, including a claim that he had misused a Houston police vehicle’s police lights while driving on the Parks Highway.

Charging documents in the case, said Purcell reported that she had mistyped a driver’s license number in an APSIN search. The resulting search targeted a person identified as R.P., whom Aliberti described as a party opposing Purcell in “a pending civil matter.”

Search logs within APSIN showed that instead of receiving information on R.P., Purcell received a warning in the system that she couldn’t access the information and that administrators had been flagged on her request.

“The logs showed that in response Purcell then queried a [driver’s license number] that was one digit off from R.P.’s which gave her access to [another person’s] confidential personal information,” Aliberti wrote. “The next log entries showed Purcell using [that person’s] confidential information to locate an incident number similar to a current incident number associated with a legitimate pending digital evidence request.”

During an interview with investigators, Purcell – who had worked to fill digital evidence requests at APD – initially maintained that the search was accidental. That claim collapsed, however, when she was confronted with the evidence from the APSIN logs.

Purcell stated that this attempt was made for a personal reason. Purcell also stated that there was no valid law enforcement reason for the research she conducted on [the second person] and that the reason she conducted the search using [that person’s] information was to find information that could ‘match up’ to a legitimate digital evidence request.

BACK PAGE INFORMATION

OPR

The Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) is an office within the Idaho Division of Peace Officer Standards and Training. OPR is staffed by OPR Manager, Dan Smith, a former NCIS Special Agent, and eight contract investigators located throughout the State of Idaho. All of the investigators are former federal, state or local law enforcement officers. POST investigators endeavor to complete thorough, competent investigations to ensure the entire story is presented during the reporting of allegations against peace officers and others we certify. It is a mainstay of POST's mission to maintain an ethical and lawful law enforcement profession for the people of Idaho.

The Idaho Legislature formally established the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training Council (POST Council) for the purpose, among others, of setting requirements for employment, retention, and training of peace officers, including formulating standards of moral character, and other such matters as relate to the competence and reliability of peace officers. The POST Council also has the power to decertify peace officers upon findings that a peace officer is in violation of certain specified standards, including criminal offenses, or violation of any of the standards of conduct as established by the Council's Code of Ethics. Idaho Code also requires that when a peace officer resigns his employment or is terminated as a result of any disciplinary action, the employing law enforcement agency shall report the employment action to the POST Council within 15 days.

IDAPA 11, Title 11, Chapter 01

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