STATE OF FLORIDA CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COMMISSION

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v.

DOAH Case No. 02-2726

DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT,

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FINAL ORDER

I. Statement of Issues

Whether the Petitioner, Kutina McLeod, should have received credit for her answers to certain questions that she challenged on the State Officer Certification Examination (SOCE) for corrections.

II. Statement of Facts

The Petitioner failed the SOCE for corrections the third time on April 24, 2002. The Petitioner was faced with either challenging the examination results or repeating basic recruit training. The Petitioner requested a review of the questions that she had missed. After the Petitioner's informal challenge of the results of her examination were rejected by CJSTC subject matter experts (SMEs), the Petitioner decided to formally challenge the examination results. The Petitioner's formal challenge was forwarded to DOAH for a formal hearing on June 27, 2002. This case was brought before the Division of Administrative Hearings on August 30, 2002. A recommended order recommending that the Petitioner's challenges be denied was filed by Administrative Hearing Judge J. D. Parrish on October 30, 2002. Neither party filed exceptions to the Recommended Order, copy of which is attached and incorporated herein by reference.

III. Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

The Commission, having been fully advised in this matter, hereby approves and adopts as its own the Administrative Law Judge's findings of fact and conclusions of law as presented by the Administrative Law Judge in the Recommended Order. The Commission further approves the Administrative Law Judge's recommendations without modification.

IV. Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, good cause having been shown, it is therefore ORDERED and ADJUDGED that:

- The challenge of four examination questions by Kutina McLeod is hereby denied.
- This Final Order will become effective upon filing with the Clerk of the Department of Law Enforcement.

SO ORDERED this <u>30</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2003.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

COLONEL DARON D. DIECIDUE

NOTICE

THIS ORDER CONSTITUTES FINAL AGENCY ACTION. ANY PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER HAS THE RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW UNDER SECTION 120.56, F.S., BY FILING ONE COPY OF A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE CLERK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, P.O. BOX 1489, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32302-1489, AND BY FILING A SECOND COPY OF THE NOTICE WITH TH APPROPRIATE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 9.110, FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE. SUCH NOTICE OF APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE THIS ORDER IS RENDERED.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the original and a true copy of the foregoing was sent

by U.S. Mail, certified, return receipt requested, to: Kutina McLeod,

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