

BEFORE THE DELAWARE STATE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION

IN RE: GARLAND D. CHURCH) **ORDER**
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EMT ID NO.: 096026)

WHEREAS, the Delaware State Fire Prevention Commission received a complaint filed by the Delaware Department of Justice regarding EMT Garland D. Church; and

WHEREAS, said Complaint alleges that on or about August 23, 2016, Mr. Church was arrested for and charged with one count of Stalking in violation of 11 *Del. C.* § 1312 (Felony), four counts of Terroristic Threatening Second Degree in violation of 11 *Del. C.* § 621 (Misdemeanor), three counts of Harassment (Misdemeanor) in violation of 11 *Del. C.* § 1311, and one count of Criminal Mischief in violation of 11 *Del. C.* § 811 (Misdemeanor) in Superior Court case number 1608018401; and

WHEREAS, the State alleges that the victims of all charges against Mr. Church were his ex-wife and her new husband; and

WHEREAS, the State alleges that the charges stem from a course of conduct stretching over several days in which Mr. Church sent multiple threatening text and social media messages to the victims—several of which were observed by a police officer, harassed them, damaged their property and followed them in public areas; and

WHEREAS, the State alleges that Mr. Church was indicted for this conduct on September 26, 2016 and placed on pre-trial supervision by the Superior Court of the State of Delaware; and

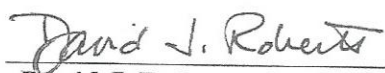
WHEREAS, pursuant to 16 *Del. C.* § 6712A(a), upon the receipt by the Commission of a court document charging an ambulance attendant or EMT licensed by the Commission with a felony, the Commission shall issue an order temporarily suspending the certificate holder's

certificate, pending a final hearing on the complaint. An order of temporary suspension shall remain in effect for a period until such time as a determination of the case of said order.

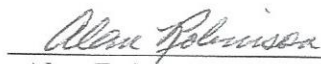
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this 18th day of October, 2016:

1. The EMT license of Garland D. Church is hereby suspended.
2. Mr. Church's license will remain suspended until the resolution of the State's complaint against Mr. Church filed with the Commission.
3. A hearing on the State's Complaint will be held within 180 days of the effective date of this Order, unless a continuance is requested by Mr. Church.
4. At the time of the hearing, Mr. Church shall have the right to present evidence on his own behalf and to be represented by counsel at his expense. He may request the Commission issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and for the production of documents. The Commission will reach a final decision based on the evidence received at the hearing.
5. A copy of this Order will be provided to Mr. Church.


FOR THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION:



David J. Roberts, Chair




Alan Robinson, Vice-Chair



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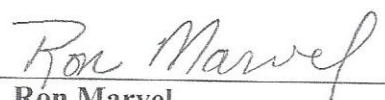
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