

**BEFORE THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION OF THE  
STATE OF DELAWARE**

**IN RE: KARIS M. WHITE** )  
 ) **Case No.: 24-0046**  
**EMT I.D. NO.: 75656** )

**CONSENT AGREEMENT**

A written Complaint has been filed with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Commission (“Commission”) alleging that Karis M. White (“Respondent”), an emergency medical technician in the State of Delaware, has engaged in conduct which constitutes grounds for discipline under 16 *Del. C.* Ch. 67 and the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulations.

Respondent and the State enter into this Consent Agreement and submit it to the Commission for review and approval as a means of resolving the pending administrative prosecution against Respondent pursuant to 16 *Del. C.* Ch. 67 and 29 *Del. C.* Ch. 101.

**IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT**

1.a Respondent is a resident of Crisfield, Maryland and is certified as an emergency medical technician (“EMT”) in Delaware pursuant to the provisions of 16 *Del. C.* Ch. 67.

2.a On February 18, 2024, Respondent was arrested and charged by the Lewes Police Department with one count of Offensive Touching, in violation of

11 *Del. C.* §601.

3. On February 19, 2024, Respondent self-reported her arrest to the Fire Commission.

4.e On March 11, 2024, Respondent entered Probation Before Judgment<sup>1</sup> on one count of Offensive Touching, in violation of 11 *Del. C.* §601. The Court of Common Pleas of the State of Delaware sentenced her to Level I for 11 months court-monitored. She was ordered to have no contact with the victim unless invited and lawful or incidental to either's employment.

5.e Respondent has violated Part 710, Section 14.4.1.9 of the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulations in that she has engaged in unprofessional conduct.

6.e Respondent hereby admits that the allegations set forth in paragraphs one (1) through five (5) above are true and correct.

7.e Respondent and the State agree that the appropriate disciplinary sanctions shall be as follows:

a.e Respondent's EMT certification shall be placed on probation for ten months;

b.e Failure to comply with this Order, including any arrest or violation of criminal probation before judgment, may result in further discipline, including suspension or revocation of Respondent's EMT certification, without further hearing.

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<sup>1</sup> If Respondent successfully completes her probation before judgment, the charge will be dismissed.

c.e Should Respondent's certification be suspended pursuant to paragraph (b), such suspension shall not lift until Respondent petitions the Commission for a hearing; and

d.e The Commission may, in its discretion, lift Respondent's probationary status upon proof of her successful discharge from her above-referenced probation before judgment.e

8.e The parties to this Consent Agreement are the State of Delaware and Respondent.

9.e The parties agree and acknowledge that nothing contained in this Consent Agreement shall affect any rights or interests of any person not a party to this Agreement.

10. Respondent acknowledges that she is waiving her rights under the State Fire Prevention Regulations and 29 *Del. C.* Ch. 101 to a hearing before the Commission prior to the imposition of disciplinary sanctions.

11. Respondent acknowledges that she has carefully read and understands this Consent Agreement, and is entering into this Consent Agreement freely, knowingly, voluntarily, and after having received or having been afforded the opportunity to receive the advice of counsel.

12. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 29 *Del. C.* § 10002 and will be available for public inspection and copying as provided for by 29 *Del. C.* § 10003.

13. The parties acknowledge and agree that this Consent Agreement is a subject to approval by the Commission.

14. The parties acknowledge and agree that if the Commission does not accept this Consent Agreement, it shall have no force or effect, except as follows:

a. Neither Respondent, nor anyone on her behalf, will in any way or in any forum challenge the ability of the Commission or any of its members to conduct an evidentiary hearing relating to the allegations in the subject Complaint;

b. The Consent Agreement, or conduct or statements made in negotiating the Consent Agreement, will be inadmissible at any administrative, civil or criminal legal proceeding; and

c. No provision contained in the Agreement shall constitute or have the effect of an admission by the Respondent as to any fact alleged in the Complaint in this matter or in this Agreement.

15. If the Commission accepts the Consent Agreement and enters it as an Order, the Consent Agreement shall be admissible as evidence at any future proceedings before the Commission.

16. The parties acknowledge and agree that this Consent Agreement, along with any exhibits, addendums, or amendments hereto, encompasses the

entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all previous understandings and agreements between the parties, whether oral or written. There are no other terms, obligations, covenants, representations, statements or conditions, or otherwise, of any kind whatsoever concerning this agreement.

17. This Consent Agreement shall be effective upon acceptance by the Commission and entry of the Commission's Order.



Karis M. White  
Respondent



Renee Hrivnak  
Deputy Attorney General  
Delaware Department of Justice

Dated: 4-3-24

Dated: 4-22-24

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**ORDER**

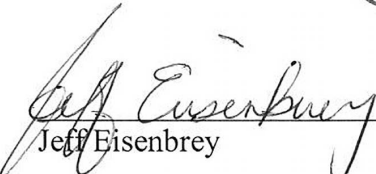
WHEREAS, the Delaware State Fire Prevention Commission has reviewed this matter and hereby approves the Consent Agreement of the parties, and enters it now as an Order of the Delaware State Fire Prevention Commission;

IT IS SO ORDERED this 21 day of May, 2024.


  
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William Kelly, Vice Chairman

  
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