

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

IN RE: CHRISTOPHER L. KING

EMT I.D. NO. 92230

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Case No.: SFC-25-00300

CONSENT AGREEMENT

A written Complaint ("Complaint") has been filed with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Commission ("Commission") alleging that Christopher L. King ("Respondent"), an emergency medical technician ("EMT") in the State of Delaware, license number 92230, 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, by the undersigned Deputy Attorney General, hereby enter into this Consent Agreement to be submitted to the Commission for review and approval.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent is a resident of Newark, Delaware and is certified as an emergency medical technician ("EMT") in Delaware pursuant to the provisions of 16 *Del. C.* Ch. 67.
2. Respondent's EMT certification, I.D. Number 92230 was originally issued on September 8, 2017, and expire on April 30, 2028. His certification is currently active.
3. During all times relevant, Respondent engaged in the practice of Emergency Medical Services ("EMS"), specifically as an EMT, at Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Fire Company ("Aetna") in Newark, Delaware.
4. During all times relevant, Respondent was an instructor for EMT classes through the Delaware State Fire School ("DSFS").
5. Respondent was an instructor for the 2025 Winter EMT accelerated class through the

DSFS for Aetna.

6. Each candidate for EMT certification must complete ten (10) patient contacts while enrolled in the class. The candidates obtain these patient contacts while riding on the ambulance with a certified EMT and helping the EMT assess the patients.

7. The candidates must have completed a minimum of ten (10) patient contacts before they can take the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technician ("NREMT") written test.

8. During the Winter 2025 accelerated class, Respondent had fourteen students that were interns at Aetna. As such, Respondent was responsible for ensuring the students obtained their ten (10) patient contacts while riding the ambulance.

9. At some point during the accelerated course, Respondent realized he would be unable to ensure the fourteen students each completed a minimum of ten (10) patient contacts as required.

10. Respondent called a meeting of the Aetna accelerated course students and went over actual calls that either he and or other EMTs at Aetna had responded to. Respondent had the students fill out their patient contact sheets with this information from the calls he and or other Aetna EMTs had responded to. Respondent signed off on all of the incorrect patient contact sheets.

11. Respondent was aware that having the students fill out patient contact sheets based on calls he had responded to rather than calls the students had responded to was not accurate.

12. Respondent had the students turn in the inaccurate patient contact sheets so they would be able to complete the accelerated program and timely take the NREMT written exam.

13. The students were permitted to sit for the NREMT written test because the inaccurate patient contact forms made it appear they had completed the required patient contacts.

14. The issue of the lack of patient contacts and inaccurate patient contact sheets came to light when a student of this accelerated EMT course notified a senior instructor.

15. During the course of the investigation, Respondent was cooperative and admitted to providing students with patient contact information from calls he and or other Aetna EMTs had responded to with the intent that they would submit these inaccurate patient contact sheets in lieu of them engaging in ten (10) patient contacts themselves while riding an ambulance.

16. Respondent was relieved of his duties as an instructor of EMT training for DSFS as a result of this incident.

17. Respondent subsequently resigned from Aetna.

18. Respondent has violated Regulation 710, Section 18.4.1.5 in that he has violated or aided or abetted in the violation of any provision of this regulation.

19. Respondent has violated Regulation 710, Section 18.4.1.7 of the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulations in that he has engaged in “unprofessional conduct”, specifically:

- a. Section 18.4.2.1 in that he engaged in the use of any false or inaccurate statement or document in connection with a certification, registration, or licensing requirement of this regulation, or in connection with the practice of EMT services or other profession or occupation regulated by the Delaware State Fire Prevention Commission;
- b. Section 18.4.2.3 in that he engaged in any dishonorable, unethical, or other conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public;
- c. Section 18.4.2.10 in that he engaged in the knowing or intentional performance of an act which, unless authorized by the Commission, assists an unauthorized person to practice EMT services or other profession or occupation regulated by the Commission; and
- d. Section 18.4.2.11 in that he failed to provide adequate supervision to an

individual working under the supervision of a person who is certified to practice EMT services or other profession or occupation regulated by the Commission.

20. Respondent violated Regulation 710, Section 18.4.2.3 because Respondent's above-described conduct was "dishonorable, unethical, or other conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public."

21. Respondent admits that the allegations set forth in paragraphs one (1) through twenty (20) above are true and correct.

22. Respondent avers the following in mitigation of his conduct, which the State neither admits nor denies:

- a. This situation was due, in part, to a lack of personnel in the department.
- b. Mr. King's employment ended on August 25, 2025, approximately nine months ago. At that time, he was earning approximately \$90,000/yr. at both Aetna Fire Department and the State Fire School. After his termination all of that income was lost.
- c. Since his employments ended, he has had to subsist on part time work as an EMT at various Volunteer Fire departments, earning only \$570 per month or approximately \$7,000 per year.
- d. As a result, Mr. King has already suffered a significant financial penalty arising out of this situation.
- e. As an additional fact in mitigation, Mr. King has also lost the opportunity for full-time employment with Christiana Care Hospital because of the pending discipline.

23. Respondent and the State agree that the appropriate disciplinary sanction shall be as follows:

- a. Respondent's EMT certification shall be placed on probation for a period of six (6) months from the date the Commission signs the Order¹;
- b. Respondent shall receive a letter of reprimand;
- c. Respondent shall not be an instructor for any EMT-related courses during the period of his probation; and
- d. Respondent shall take a continuing education course in Ethics for a minimum of 2 hours at his own expense. Respondent shall provide proof of the completion of this continuing education course to the Fire Commission.

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

25. 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.

26. Respondent acknowledges that he is waiving his 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.

27. Respondent acknowledges that he 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.

28. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Agreement is a public record within

¹ The parties agree that six (6) months of probation is sufficient considering the loss of his employment from Aetna and his discharge as an instructor from the Delaware State Fire School.

the meaning of 29 *Del. C.* § 10002 and will be available for public inspection and copying as provided for by 29 *Del. C.* § 10003.

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

30. 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 his 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.

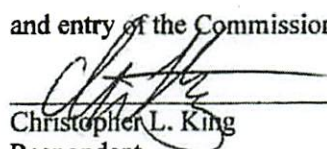
31. If the Commission accepts the Consent Agreement and enters it as an Order, the Consent Agreement shall be admissible as evidence at any future proceedings before the Commission.

32. Respondent understands and acknowledges that the Commission will report this Consent Agreement to the licensing authority of any other state in which he is licensed to practice.

33. 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

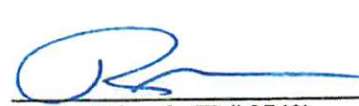
written. There are no other terms, obligations, covenants, representations, statements or conditions, or otherwise, of any kind whatsoever concerning this agreement.

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



Christopher L. King
Respondent

Dated: 5/27/26



Renee Hrivnak (ID# 3742)
Deputy Attorney General

Dated: 6/10/2026

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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 16th day of June, 2026.



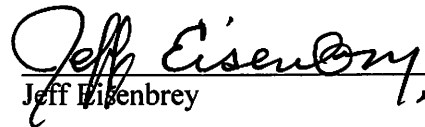
Ronald H. Marvel, Chairman



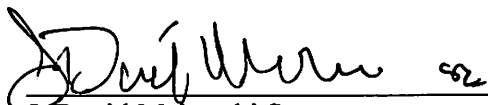
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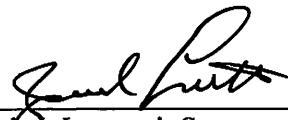
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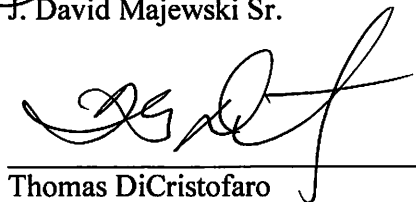
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