[2021] NZPSPLA 021 Case Number 004437 / 2017

**IN THE MATTER OF** A complaint made under ss 74 of the

Private Security Personnel and Private

Investigators Act 2010

AGAINST KERIANA BUNYAN

Certificate Holder

**HEARD** at Auckland on 30 June 2021

## **APPEARANCES**

Snr Constable C Thomas – NZ Police K Bunyan – No appearance

## **DECISION**

- [1] The Police have filed a complaint against Meriana Bunyan as they say she is no longer suitable to be certificate holder on character grounds. The Police advise that in September 2020 Ms Bunyan was convicted on charges of possession of methamphetamine and cannabis. In addition, they say Ms Bunyan is an associate member of the Tribesmen Motor Cycle club.
- [2] The Police consider Ms Bunyan's convictions and close association with a gang like the Tribesmen means that she is no longer suitable to be a responsible security worker and are asking for Ms Bunyan's certificate of approval (COA) to be cancelled
- [3] Ms Bunyan neither attended the hearing nor provided any written response to the Police complaint. The amount of drugs Ms Bunyan was convicted of having in her possession were of an amount or quantity over which the drug is presumed to be for supply, so her conviction may be grounds for disqualification under s 62(f)(v) of the Act. In any event her close associations with the Tribesmen establishes that she is no longer suitable to be a certificate holder.
- [4] I therefore make the following orders:
  - Ms Bunyan's certificate of approval is cancelled effective from the date of this order.
  - Ms Bunyan is to return her certificate of approval and formal ID to the Licensing Authority within seven days of receipt of this order. Failure to do so is an offence under the Act.

**DATED** at Wellington this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2021

P A McConnell

**Private Security Personnel Licensing Authority**