

**IN THE MATTER OF**

The Private Security Personnel and  
Private Investigators Act 2010

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF**

Complaint by The Police under s 74 of  
the Act against **MA**

**HEARD** by telephone on 16 January 2020

**DECISION**

[1] The Police have laid a complaint against Mr A as they consider he is no longer suitable to be hold a certificate of approval (COA). This is a discretionary ground for cancelling Mr A's COA under s 83(1)(aa) of the Act.

[2] The Police outline several incidents of violence and dishonesty in which Mr A has been involved in the last few months, all of which occurred while he has been drinking with friends or family. While none have resulted in convictions they raise concerns about whether Mr A is a fit and proper person to hold a COA.

[3] While Mr A does not deny being involved in any of the incidents he advises that he was not the instigator but was led by friends into unacceptable behaviour after having too much to drink. Mr A also advises that as part of his involvement with the Te Pae Oranga panel following the October 2019 incident he completed a 10-hour programme with the Community Alcohol and Drug Services from which he has learnt a lot.

[4] I am prepared to give Mr A a final chance to prove that he is suitable to be a responsible security employee. The suspension of his certificate of approval is therefore revoked from the date of this order. The revocation is however on the following conditions:

- Mr A must enrol in a further alcohol dependency course or counselling and provide confirmation of his enrolment by 3 February 2020. This could be through CADS or another registered provider.
- Mr A must complete the course and provide confirmation that he has successfully completed it by 30 June 2020.
- Mr A must not be involved in any further incidents which result in him being warned or charged by the Police for a period of two years from the date of this decision.

[5] If Mr A breaches any of the conditions outlined above his COA is likely to be suspended or cancelled

**DATED** at Wellington this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020



P A McConnell

**Private Security Personnel Licensing Authority**