

IN THE MATTER OF

The Private Security Personnel and
Private Investigators Act 2010

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

Complaint by Police under s 74 of the
Act against **JUNIOR O'CONNELL**

DECISION

[1] In January 2021 police made a complaint against Junior O'Connell as he had been charged with 18 offences of dishonesty and 4 offences of violence. The alleged offending occurred between 2 November and 26 December 2020. A conviction on any of these charges will be grounds for disqualification under s 62 of the Act.

[2] Since then, Mr O'Connell has failed to appear in court when required and warrants for his arrest have been issued. In addition, Mr O'Connell has neither responded to the police complaint nor provided any of the information we have requested. Police understand that Mr O'Connell is now living overseas.

[3] Based on the information before me I accept that Mr O'Connell is no longer suitable to be a security worker because of his character, circumstances, and background. The appropriate penalty is the cancellation of Mr O'Connell's certificate

[4] I therefore make the following order.

- a) Mr O'Connell's certificate of approval is cancelled effective from the date of this order.

DATED at Wellington this 10th day of March 2022



P A McConnell

Private Security Personnel Licensing Authority