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ROB BONTA
ATTORNEY GENERAL

COMMISSION ON
PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING

2/20/2025

Giani Angelo Arone



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Re: NOTICE OF CLOSURE: CASE #POST2317833

Date of Incident: 9/18/2023 Agency IA#: IA23-08

Dear Giani Angelo Arone,

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the determination of the Peace Officer Standards Accountability Division (POSAD) on the above case. This case alleged the following act(s) of serious misconduct (per CPC 13510.8) were committed by you:

1205(a)(3) Physical Abuse/Excessive or Unreasonable Use of Force

After a thorough review of the allegations of serious misconduct and based upon the information in our possession at this time, POST has decided to close the case without further action.

Please be aware that the determination to take no action against your certification at this time is separate from any determination that may have been made by the employing agency, as the burdens and elements of proof normally differ from those enforced by POST.

Therefore, POST may close a case even where the agency correctly sustained a finding of misconduct. Case closure decisions may be made for a number of reasons, including a lack of sufficient evidence substantiating the alleged conduct by clear and convincing evidence or a determination that based on the facts known to POST, the conduct itself did not warrant decertification or suspension.

It is important to note that although this case is now closed, the allegations will remain on file with POST. This information may be considered, or this determination revisited, should additional information and/or facts be brought forward regarding this or any other reported misconduct.

Please be advised that any officer engaging in serious misconduct risks decertification and a lifetime ban from engaging in the profession of law enforcement. We trust that you understand and agree that the profession of law enforcement requires that peace officers conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the law and with the highest standards of professional conduct.

Additional information is available on the POST website at <https://post.ca.gov/Certification>.
Should you have questions, you may contact POST at CentralSupport@post.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian South", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Brian South, Bureau Chief
Commission on POST
Peace Officer Standards Accountability Division

cc: Chief Andrew White, Martinez Police Department

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