IN THE MATTER OF

THE HALTON REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE

AND

CONSTABLE JASON COOPER

Pursuant to SECTION 202 of the COMMUNITY SAFETY AND POLICING ACT and Ontario Regulation. 404/23: ADJUDICATION HEARINGS under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1. related to charges under Ontario Regulation 407/23: CODE OF CONDUCT FOR POLICE OFFICERS

FINAL REPORT FROM MERITS ADJUDICATOR

Superintendent (ret) Lisa Taylor

Counsel for the Prosecution: Mr. Alex Sinclair

Counsel for the Defence: Mr. Philip Wright

Counsel for the Halton Regional Police Service (the `Service`) was the applicant of a motion for:

- An Order admitting the audio recording of the Professional Standards Bureau interview of Ms. Dorothy Srokowski as evidence at the merits hearing of the within matter.
- Such further relief as counsel may request and the Honourable Adjudicator deems just.

The witness had died since the commencement of these disciplinary proceedings. Two days of motion hearings were held on April 16, 2025, and May 7, 2025. The motion hearing was recorded via a virtual platform (*Zoom*) (held by the prosecution on consent). S/Sgt Craig, formerly of the Professional Standards Bureau (PSB), was the sole witness for the motion, followed by counsel outlining their respective submissions.

A written decision on the motion was delivered via email on June 5, 2025, ordering the audio statement of Ms. Srokowski's admitted at the merits hearing.

On June 17, 2025, I received three (3) summonses for signing from defence counsel Mr. Wright. I signed and returned the summonses that date.

On June 18, 2025, I received an email from Mr. Sinclair (counsel for the Service) advising the following:

Supt. Taylor,

I write with the consent of Mr. Wright.

I can advise that the Respondent Officer has resigned, effective today. As a result, I have instructions to request that the Service's Application under section 202(1) of the CSPA be withdrawn as there is no longer jurisdiction for it to proceed.

Could you confirm for us that the hearing dates have been cancelled? I will advise the court reporter if so.

Thanks,

On that same date I responded acknowledging the above email, cancelling the hearing dates that were to have commenced on June 25, 2025.

I have attached the motion decision that includes the full exhibit list.

Lisa Taylor