Under the provisions of the Professional Policing Act of 2021, New York State Law 9 NYCRR Part 6000 and 9 NYCRR Part 6056 were amended to prescribe minimum training, background, and character standards for appointment of persons to police officer positions.

Under the provisions of Part 6000 and Part 6056, you are determined to lack good moral character and you CANNOT be appointed as a police officer in New York State if:

- 1. You were previously appointed as a police officer in NYS, were removed from said employment for cause, had your training certificate permanently invalidated by the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services and are listed on their decertification index;
- 2. You are listed on the National Decertification Index after having been decertified as a police officer in any state other than NYS;
- 3. Within 3 years from the date of application, you:
 - A. Engaged in criminal activity, whether criminally charged or prosecuted, regardless of where the act took place, if said conduct would constitute an offense in New York, which is defined as:
 - 1. Any felony offense;
 - 2. Any sex offense or sexually violent offense as defined in article 6C of the Correction Law;
 - 3. All serious offenses defined in subdivision 17 of section 265 of the Penal Law;
 - 4. Crimes involving official misconduct and obstruction of public servants as defined in article 195 of the Penal Law; crimes involving bribery of a public servant as defined in article 200 of the Penal Law; crimes involving perjury as defined in article 210 of the Penal Law; and/or crimes relating to judicial proceedings as defined in article 215 of the Penal Law;
 - 5. Crimes involving forgery as defined in article 170 of the Penal Law; crimes involving false written statements as defined in article 175 of the Penal Law; crimes involving fraud as defined in article 190 of the Penal Law;
 - 6. Crimes involving assault and menacing as defined in article 120 of the Penal Law; crimes involving obscenity as defined in article 235 of the Penal Law; crimes against public sensibilities as defined in article 245 of the Penal Law; or crimes against public order as defined in article 240 of the Penal Law ii.
 - B. Engaged in the unlawful use of any controlled substances.
 - C. Made false statement(s) or engaged in conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert the police employment application process.
 - D. Received a dishonorable discharge from any of the Armed Forces of the United States.