

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
CERTIFIED CIVIL PROCESS SERVER REVIEW BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

July 21, 2008

1:00 p.m.

2072 Victoria Avenue

Ft. Myers, FL 33901

In attendance:

Board Members: Lt. Kent Caldwell, Chairman
Ernest Averill, Jr., Vice Chairman
Lynette Young

Others: Peter Gutierrez, Applicant

1. Quorum present.
2. Minutes from the June 23, 2008, meeting were reviewed and approved.
3. Lt. Caldwell presented the application of Peter Gutierrez to become a Certified Civil Process Server. There was some question as to the results of Mr. Gutierrez's drug test, but Mr. Averill advised that he had talked with Nurse Connie at the Sheriff's Office and she advised that anomalies can occur in these tests and that Mr. Gutierrez had been re-tested and she was satisfied with the results. His application was recommended to Chief Judge Cary for approval.
4. Lt. Caldwell announced that he is retiring from the Lee County Sheriff's Office on September 18, 2008, so he is resigning from the Board effective as of today's meeting. He recommended that Sgt. Chris Beckel replace him on the Board as the Lee County Sheriff's representative. The recommendation was approved and forwarded to Chief Judge Cary for his consideration.
5. Discussion was had on who would fill the 2nd Sheriff's representative vacancy on the Board. The Board had previously discussed a possible representative from Collier or Hendry County and queried where we were in that process. It was agreed that Mr. Averill would consult with Suzanne Ederr, the Chief Judge's representative to the Board, to see where we are in this process.
6. Lt. Caldwell's resignation left a vacancy in the Chairmanship of the Board, so the Board nominated and elected Mr. Averill to be Chairman and Mr. Tardif to be Vice Chairman.
7. A follow-up discussion was had from the June 23, 2008, meeting in regards to Chad and Laura Cook's bonds. Lt. Caldwell called Human Resources and confirmed that both bonds appear to be current, but it was learned that the bonds were bound to Charlotte County, presumably because that's where the Cook's serve and were previously under the Charlotte County Sheriff's Special Process Server Program. It is uncertain if it's relevant, but the Board stated that all bond renewals should be bound to the Twentieth Judicial Circuit.

8. Another follow-up discussion was had from the June 23, 2008, meeting in regards to whether or not Mr. Tardif had talked with Telina Crowder, Certified Civil Process Server, & Kevin Jursinski, Esq., about Mr. Jursinski's complaint towards Ms. Crowder. Whereas Mr. Tardif was not present and no one else knew the answer, we agreed to follow-up with Mr. Tardif at the next meeting.
9. The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 25, 2008, at 1:00 p.m.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.