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August 14, 2020

**DELIVERED IN PERSON TO:**

The Honorable Betty Villegas  
Pima County Supervisor, District 5  
110 W Congress St, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Supervisor Villegas:

I hope this letter finds you well. Per our telephonic conversation on July 30, I submit this letter of appeal to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and action.

On July 29, the Arizona Constable Ethics, Standards and Training Board (CESTB) informed me that they have requested to the Pima County Board of Supervisors (BOS) that I be suspended from my elected position for 30 days without pay due to not completing my probationary term of 180 days that I was placed on December 30, 2019.

As part of my probation, the CESTB ordered me to complete two (2) correspondence courses, one for defensive driving and one for anger management, to be completed by June 30, 2020.

I did not complete the two correspondence courses by the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline. However, after the CESTB informed me of their requested action, I completed the two correspondence courses and was awarded certificates of completion.

The CESTB noted in their letter to me that I did not take the previous infractions against me seriously, and they opined that I pose a risk to public safety. I resent and take great offense to their notion, and below is my response.

- I am not a risk to public safety whatsoever. I have never been warned, cited or arrested by any law enforcement agency in Pima County or the state of Arizona, prior to and since being elected as a constable in 2016. This ill opinion of the CESTB should not be given any credible weight or consideration since they have no undisputable proof of any criminal or legal action taken against me by a law enforcement agency in Pima County or the state of Arizona.
- To say that I do not take my actions seriously is inaccurate at best on the part of the CESTB, a gubernatorial appointed board with limited authority. I serve the people of

CLERK'S NOTE:  
COPY TO SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

DATE 8/18/20 (Kw)

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Justice Precinct 4 and Pima County with professionalism and compassion, to whom I interact with on a daily basis.

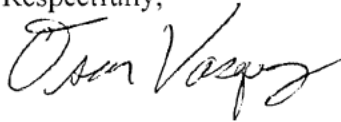
- Since the COVID-19 pandemic has occurred, I and my colleagues are working to educate affected tenants and property managers about Arizona Executive Order (EO) 2020-49, Postponement of Eviction Enforcement Actions. As you are aware, this problem will not be abated any time soon, even after the EO expires at the end of October. I know that my colleagues and I as well as other Pima County departments are working to ease this burden on our community.
- In the CESTB letter, they stated that I did not complete the two above noted courses by June 30. I must confirm that I did not, but I did complete the courses recently and was awarded certificates of completion, dated August 3. Enclosed are copies of the certificates of completion.
- In regards to the previous complaint filed against me with the CESTB, I admitted responsibility and was issued a letter of reprimand. Further, the CESTB cannot use any previous complaints against me to base their current recommendation to you and your colleagues.

The CESTB's recommended suspension is moot since I completed the two correspondence courses as of August 3. In their letter to me, they wrote: "...the suspension remain in place until you have completed the required course work, or your term expires, whichever comes first."

In conclusion, a 30 day suspension is not warranted since this issue has been resolved by me. This would not be in the best interest of Pima County, and as a result, I urge you and your colleagues to deny the CESTB's requested action against me.

I thank you for your attention and consideration of this matter. If you or your colleagues have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at your convenience at [REDACTED]

Respectfully,



Oscar Vasquez  
Pima County Constable  
Justice Precinct 4

Cc: Hon. Kristen Randall, Presiding Pima County Constable

Enclosures:  
July 29, 2020 CESTB Letter  
Correspondence Courses Certificates of Completion



**State of Arizona  
Constable Ethics, Standards & Training Board**

July 29, 2020

The Hon. Oscar Vasquez, Constable  
32 North Stone Avenue Suite 111  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Re: CNA245-2020

On December 30, 2019 the Constable Ethics, Standards and Training Board (Board) wrote to you regarding their decision on the above referenced complaint against you. That letter is enclosed for your reference. At that time the Board informed you that you were being placed on probation for 180 days and required you complete training courses for Life Skills Driver Improvement and Anger Management. You were provided with registration information and a deadline to register by January 31, 2020.

The training provider, Wise Choice Alternatives, informed us you registered and paid for the courses on February 3, 2020 but never completed the courses. They also provided us with a log showing numerous reminders and warnings sent to you about completing the training and now consider you non-compliant.

Your probationary period ended June 30, 2020 and the Board revisited your case at their July 21, 2020 meeting.

Board members concluded that you have not taken this matter and other infractions you've previously been reprimanded for seriously and you continue to pose a risk to public safety. As a result, they voted unanimously to request the Pima County Board of Supervisors place you on suspension without pay for a minimum of 30 days and that the suspension remain in place until you have completed the required course work, or your term in offices expires, whichever comes first.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

*Scott C. Blake*

Scott Blake  
Chairman

# Wise Choice Alternatives

## CERTIFIES THAT

Oscar Vasquez

has successfully completed the

**ACCI** *Driver Responsibility Cognitive Lifeskills Course.*

Agency: WCA Home Study

Case Number: CNA245-2020

Completion Date: 8/3/2020 3:20:33 PM

Authorized Signature:

Bill Sutton



Certificate Key: 8A41C316-D4C6-4DFB-AF8C-13C1EE1157C7

# Wise Choice Alternatives

## CERTIFIES THAT

Oscar Vasquez

has successfully completed the

**ACCI** Anger Management Cognitive Lifeskills Course.

Agency: WCA Home Study

Case Number: CNA245-2020

Completion Date: 8/3/2020 3:20:33 PM

Authorized Signature:

Bill Sutton



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