

# Memorandum

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BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst  
RE: Legislative Policy and Research Office



## BOARD ON PUBLIC SAFETY STANDARDS AND TRAINING

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The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### Reappointees

James Adams of Bend  
Scott Nowning of Salem

### Terms

Reappointees: July 2, 2023 – June 30, 2026

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 181A.360 \(2021\)](#)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

### Statutory Requirements<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of 24 members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.<sup>4</sup> Membership must include:

- two members who are chiefs of police recommended to the Governor by the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police (SKINNER, TEAGUE);
- one member who is a sheriff recommended to the Governor by the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association (ROWAN);
- one member who is a fire chief recommended to the Governor by the Oregon Fire Chiefs Association (BUCICH);
- one member who is a representative of the fire service recommended to the Governor by the Oregon Fire District Directors Association (KREUTZER);
- one member who is a member of the Oregon State Fire Fighters Council recommended to the Governor by the executive body of the council (**ADAMS**);
- one member who is a representative of corrections personnel recommended to the Governor by the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association (ENGLISH);

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2021\)](#), [ORS 171.565 \(2021\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 181A.360 \(2021\)](#).

- one member who is a representative of the fire service recommended to the Governor by the Oregon Volunteer Firefighters Association (OEDER);
- one member who is a representative of public safety telecommunicators (FLETCHER);
- one member who is a district attorney recommended to the Governor by the Oregon District Attorneys Association (AUXIER);
- one member who is the Superintendent of State Police (DAVIE);
- one member who is the Chief of the Portland Police Bureau (LOVELL);
- one member who is the State Fire Marshal (RUIZ-TEMPLE);
- one member who is the Chief of the Portland Fire Bureau (BOONE);
- one member who is the Director of the Department of Corrections (STEWARD);
- one nonvoting member who is the Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for Oregon (RAMSEY);
- one member who is an administrator of a municipality recommended to the Governor by the executive body of the League of Oregon Cities (DERICKSON);
- two members who are nonmanagement representatives of law enforcement (BARRETT, **NOWNING**);
- one member who is a public member who may have no personal interest or occupational responsibilities in the area of responsibility given to the board and who represents the interests of the public in general (CABALLERO);
- two members recommended by and representing the private security industry (THOMAS, VACANT);
- one member who is a representative of the collective bargaining unit that represents the largest number of individual workers in the Department of Corrections (DISHION); and
- one member who is a nonmanagement parole and probation officer employed by a community corrections program (CAMERON).

Members serve three-year terms and no member may be removed from office except for cause. No member may serve more than two terms unless they are required to serve as a function of their office. A person appointed to fill a vacancy consisting of an unexpired term of at least one and one-half years has served a full term.

The board must select one of its members as chairperson and another as vice chairperson, with terms, duties, and powers prescribed by the board.<sup>5</sup> The board must meet at least once every three months at a place and time determined by the board and at the call of the chairperson. A member of the board who serves by virtue of office may

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<sup>5</sup> [ORS 181A.365 \(2021\)](#).



appoint a designee to represent the member at subcommittee and policy committee meetings.

## Duties and Authority

The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training certifies and licenses police officers, corrections officers, parole and probation officers, regulatory specialists, telecommunicators, emergency medical dispatchers, criminal justice instructors, private security providers, private investigators, and polygraph examiners in the State of Oregon.<sup>6</sup> The board provides governance to the department and is responsible for establishing the training and certification standards administered by the department. The board and department exist to develop individuals into public safety providers who are:<sup>7</sup>

- culturally competent;
- ethically, physically, and emotionally fit; and
- well trained, highly skilled, and responsive to the needs of their communities.

The board must:<sup>8</sup>

- with the department: promote the safety, efficiency, effectiveness, self-sufficiency, and competence of public safety agencies and professionals; support collaboration among public and private security, law enforcement, fire service, telecommunications and corrections organizations, the related organizations with whom they work and the interests of the communities they serve; and consult with and inform each other fully on matters of public safety standards, training, and certification;
- establish and appoint membership to specified policy committees; the chairpersons of the board and each policy committee form the executive committee of the board;
- recommend candidates for the director of the department who consults with the board on the administration of the department and serves as executive secretary of the board;
- annually evaluate the director's implementation of policies, standards, and minimum requirements for public safety certifications and training, reporting to the Governor the results of the evaluation;
- on the recommendation of the department, adopt rules for standards, certification, and training administered by the department;

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<sup>6</sup> Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, *About DPSST*, <https://www.oregon.gov/dpsst/Pages/AboutDPSST.aspx> (last visited April 29, 2023).

<sup>7</sup> [ORS 181A.365 \(2021\)](#).

<sup>8</sup> [ORS 181A.365 to 181A.893 \(2021\)](#).



- in consultation with the department, adopt rules necessary to carry out the board's duties and powers, including a schedule of civil penalties that may be imposed for specified violations;
- approve any legislative concept, Emergency Board request, or agency budget requests of the department before submission;
- consult with the department on specified reports, rules, and programs;
- ensure that police officers and certified reserve officers receive specified training;
- establish standards and procedures for psychological screening, including qualifications and training necessary for a licensed mental health professional to conduct a psychological screening;
- establish standards and procedures for the denial, suspension, or revocation of an application or certification; and
- along with the policy committee of the relevant discipline, review discretionary actions on denials, suspensions, or revocations undertaken by the department.

The board may:<sup>9</sup>

- appoint from among its members such subcommittees as it deems necessary or useful;
- adopt rules, in consultation with the department, that designate classifications of public safety personnel killed in the line of duty who may be honored at the Fallen Officer Memorial;
- adopt or approve all policies, standards and minimum requirements for public safety certifications and training; and
- impose civil penalties up to \$1,500 for specified violations.

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<sup>9</sup> [ORS 181A.365 to 181A.995 \(2021\)](#).



## Public Safety Standards and Training, Board On

Agency: **Oregon Office of Emergency Management**

Policy Area: **Public Safety**

Authorization: **ORS 181A.360**

Board Admin: **Suzy Herring**

Min Members: **24** Max Members: **26**

Address:

Term Length: **3** Term Limit: **2**

**4190 Aumsville Hwy SE**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

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## Current Appointments

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### **Chief Skinner, Thomas "Chris" C**

Term(s): **3/1/2021 - 6/30/2024**

Police Chief, OACP; (1)(a)

Position Number: **1**

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### **Mr Adams, James C**

Term(s): **7/1/2023 - 6/30/2026**

Fire Fighter's Council Member; (1)(e)

**10/1/2020 - 6/30/2023**

Position Number: **2**

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### **Mr English, Matthew "Matt" T**

Term(s): **7/1/2022 - 6/30/2025**

Corrections Personnel Rep, OSSA; (1)(f)

**11/25/2019 - 6/30/2022**

Position Number: **3**

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### **Cameron, Jennifer**

Term(s): **7/1/2022 - 6/30/2025**

Non Management Parole and Probation (1)(u)

Position Number: **4**

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### **Nowning, Scott "Scotty"**

Term(s): **7/1/2023 - 6/30/2026**

Law Enforcement Non-Management Rep; (1)(q)

**6/10/2022 - 6/30/2023**

Position Number: **5**

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### **Chief Teague, John O**

Term(s): **7/1/2017 - 6/30/2020**

Police Chief, OSSA; (1)(a)

**6/1/2016 - 6/30/2017**

Position Number: **6**

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### **Mr Rowan, Terry L**

Term(s): **3/1/2021 - 6/30/2024**

Sheriff, OSSA; (1)(b)

Position Number: **7**

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### **Mr Bucich, Darren M**

Term(s): **7/1/2020 - 6/30/2023**

Fire Chief, OFCA

**2/14/2018 - 6/30/2020**

Position Number: **8**

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<b>Mr Kreutzer, Mark A</b>	Term(s):	<b>7/1/2020 - 6/30/2023</b>
Fire Service, OFDDA; (1)(d)		<b>9/25/2017 - 6/30/2020</b>
Position Number: <b>9</b>		
<b>Fletcher, Michael "Mike" J</b>	Term(s):	<b>7/1/2021 - 6/30/2024</b>
Public Safety Telecommunicators Rep; (1)(q)		
Position Number: <b>10</b>		
<b>Mr Auxier, Jeffrey "Jeff" D</b>	Term(s):	<b>3/1/2021 - 6/30/2024</b>
District Attorney, ODAA		
Position Number: <b>11</b>		
<b>Superintendent Davie, Terri E</b>	Term(s):	-
Oregon State Police; (By Virtue of Office); (1)(J)		
Position Number: <b>12</b>		
<b>Chief Lovell, Charles "Chuck"</b>	Term(s):	-
Chief of Police; Portland Police Bureau		
Position Number: <b>13</b>		
<b>Ms Steward, Heidi</b>	Term(s):	-
Interim Director, Dept. of Corrections (By Virtue of Office); (1)(n)		
Position Number: <b>14</b>		
<b>Special Agent Ramsey, Kieran</b>	Term(s):	<b>4/13/2021 - 6/30/2023</b>
FBI Special Agent in Charge (By Virtue of Position); (1)(O)		
Position Number: <b>15</b>		
<b>Mr Derickson, Scott C</b>	Term(s):	<b>7/1/2020 - 6/30/2023</b>
LOC Representative		<b>4/1/2019 - 6/30/2020</b>
Position Number: <b>16</b>		
<b>Ms Barrett, DaNeshia R</b>	Term(s):	<b>7/1/2022 - 6/30/2025</b>
Law Enforcement Non Management Rep; (1)(q)		<b>7/1/2019 - 6/30/2022</b>
Position Number: <b>17</b>		
<b>Mr Oeder, James L</b>	Term(s):	<b>7/1/2019 - 6/30/2022</b>
Fire Service - Volunteer Fire Fighters; (1)(g)		<b>7/1/2016 - 6/30/2019</b>
Position Number: <b>18</b>		
<b>Mrs Ruiz-Temple, Mariana</b>	Term(s):	-
State Fire Marshall (By Virtue of Office); (1)(L)		
Position Number: <b>19</b>		

<b>Chief Boone, Sara</b>	Term(s):	-
Portland Fire Chief (By Virtue of Office); (1)(m)		
Position Number: <b>20</b>		
<b>Caballero Rubio, Maria</b>	Term(s):	<b>7/1/2022 - 6/30/2025</b>
Public Member; (1)(r)		
Position Number: <b>21</b>		
<b>Mr Thomas, Thomas A</b>	Term(s):	<b>7/1/2020 - 6/30/2023</b>
Private Security Industry; (1)(s)		
Position Number: <b>23</b>		
<b>Mrs Dishion, Carol M</b>	Term(s):	<b>3/1/2021 - 6/30/2024</b>
AFSCME Rep/Dept of Corrections; (1)(t)		
Position Number: <b>24</b>		

## Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
22	McNulty, Benjamin	Governor	10/1/2020	6/30/2023
22	Mr Geiger, William "Bill" V	Governor	7/1/2017	6/30/2020
22	Mr Geiger, William "Bill" V	Governor	9/19/2014	6/30/2017
22	Mr Martin, Jeff D	Governor	7/1/2011	6/30/2014
22	Mr Martin, Jeff D	Governor	7/1/2008	6/30/2011
22	Mr Martin, Jeff D	Governor	2/18/2008	6/30/2008
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
25	Ms Parrish Taylor, Jennifer N	Governor	7/1/2022	6/30/2025
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
26	Cobb, Gary	Governor	7/1/2022	6/30/2025