



# Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

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Mr. Joseph P. Martinico  
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Re: Aviation Officers

Dear Mr. Martinico:

Thank you for your response dated June 20, 2017 regarding the status of the City of Chicago Department of Aviation Security Officers.

Based upon your response that these ASOs perform an unarmed security function and they are neither police officers nor special police officers under applicable Chicago Municipal law, the Board will deactivate the City of Chicago Department of Aviation as a law enforcement agency and administratively separate all personnel currently listed on that roster effective upon the close of 06-30-2017.

As soon as possible, the respective authorities should inform all employees of this agency that they are not law enforcement officers under the Police Training Act and have no authority as such to make arrests or carry firearms. Any individual who completed a basic law enforcement academy and passed the state certification exam shall be reflected as a certified officer within the Board's records; however, time employed by the CDA shall not be credited as "law enforcement" employment in any capacity, including, but not limited to, subsequent employment and participation in the Illinois Retired Officer Concealed Carry program.

With this letter, we believe that all matters of inquiry are concluded and will close our file. Should any events or official actions change the status of these employees, please bring it to our immediate attention.

Sincerely,

Cora Beem  
Manager of Mandated Training

CC: Ms. Joan Coogan  
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