

**STATE OF TENNESSEE
DETECTION SERVICES LICENSING PROGRAM**

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
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TARRELL GRAY)	Private Protective Services
11608 OLD STATESVILLE RD)	Unarmed Guard, Lic. No. 436031
HUNTERSVILLE, NC 28078)	Case No. 202106789
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ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

This matter was presented to the Commissioner of the Department of Commerce and Insurance through his designee, Assistant Commissioner for the Regulatory Boards Division, Alex Martin (hereafter referred to as the “Commissioner”) on January 5, 2022, pursuant to the provisions of Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-320 which states, in pertinent part, as follows:

(c) . . . If the agency finds that public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, and incorporates a finding to that effect in its order, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other action. These proceedings shall be promptly instituted and determined.

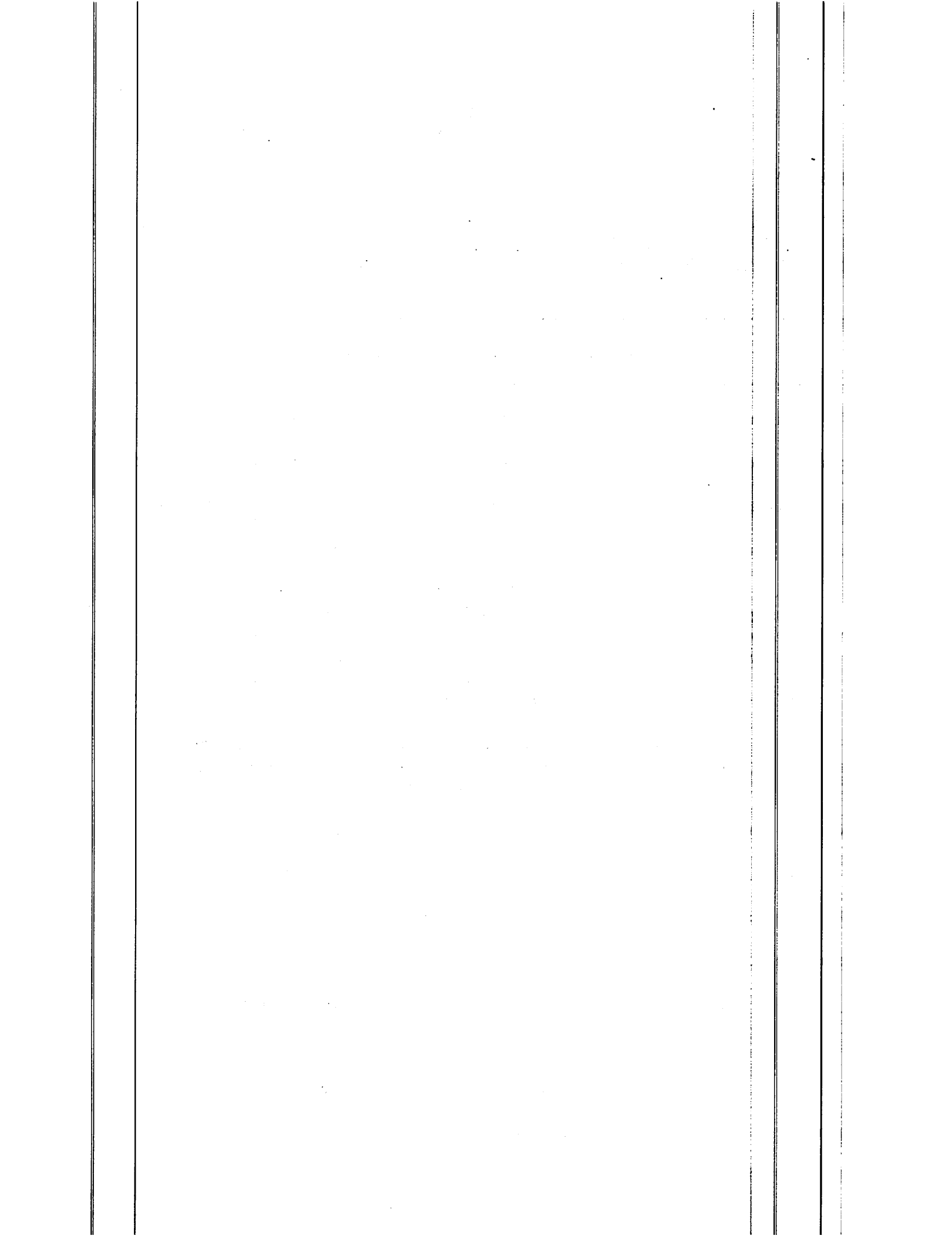
(d)(1) Notwithstanding subsection (c), in issuing an order of summary suspension of a license the agency shall use one (1) of the following procedures:

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(A) The agency shall issue a notice to the licensee providing an opportunity for a prompt informal hearing, review or conference before the agency prior to the issuance of an order of summary suspension;

WHEREAS, the Commissioner made the following findings on January 5, 2022:

1. Tarrell Gray (hereinafter “Respondent”), is licensed by the State of Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance, Detection Services Licensing Program, as an unarmed security guard, license number 436031.
2. The Respondent’s license is active, unless it is otherwise suspended or revoked, until it expires.
3. The Respondent was provided the statutorily required reasonable notice of this informal conference as the two attorneys who have represented him in various capacities related to



the events considering emergency action were provided notice of this proceeding via regular, certified, and electronic mail as early as December 22, 2021.

4. According to documentation received by the Detection Services Licensing Program (“Program”), on or about December 8, 2021, the Respondent was indicted for and charged with one count of aggravated assault and one count of reckless homicide involving the alleged victim, Dallas Jordan Barrett.

5. These alleged actions occurred while the Respondent and several other individuals were providing services as a security guards for Whiskey Row Nashville, LLC on or about August 16, 2021.

6. These charges are currently pending.

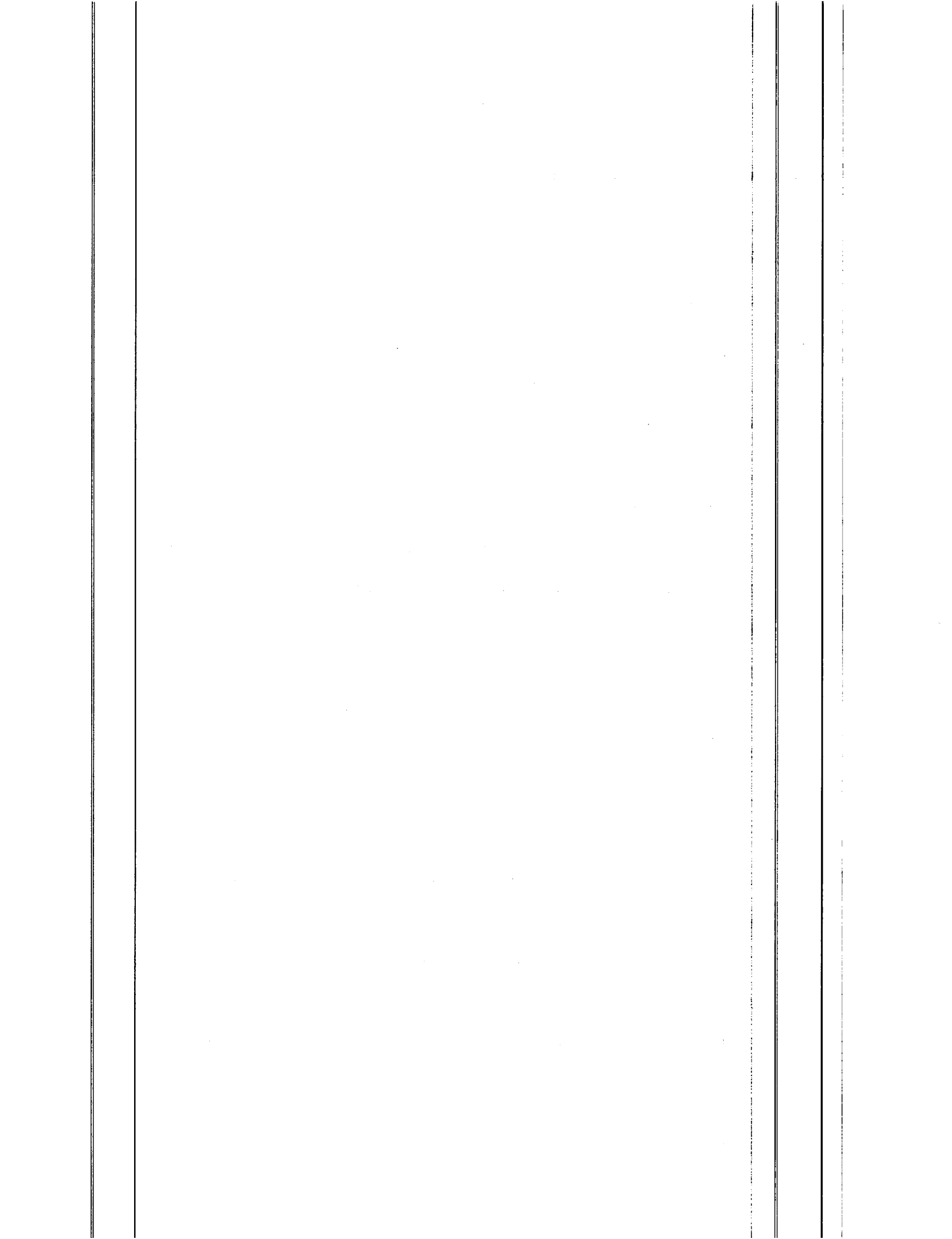
7. At the time of the alleged incident, the Respondent was not properly licensed by the Program as his unarmed security guard license had expired November 30, 2019.

8. After the incident occurred, the Respondent submitted an application to reinstate his license on or about September 4, 2021.

9. The Respondent’s license was reinstated and placed in an active status on September 29, 2021, as the Program was not aware of the Respondent’s involvement in the alleged incident that occurred on or about August 16, 2021 at the time the Respondent submitted his license reinstatement application.

10. The Commissioner may discipline a licensee for violating any statute or rule under Tenn. Code Ann. § 62-35-101 et. seq.

11. This discipline can include, but is not limited to, for engaging in acts such as: committing an act that would have been cause for refusal to issue the license or registration card had it existed and been known to the Commissioner at the time of the issuance; engaging in dishonorable,



unethical, or unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public; and/or engaging in services as a security guard without proper licensure.

12. Additionally, the Commissioner may consider and take emergency action through the summary suspension of a license if he finds that public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action

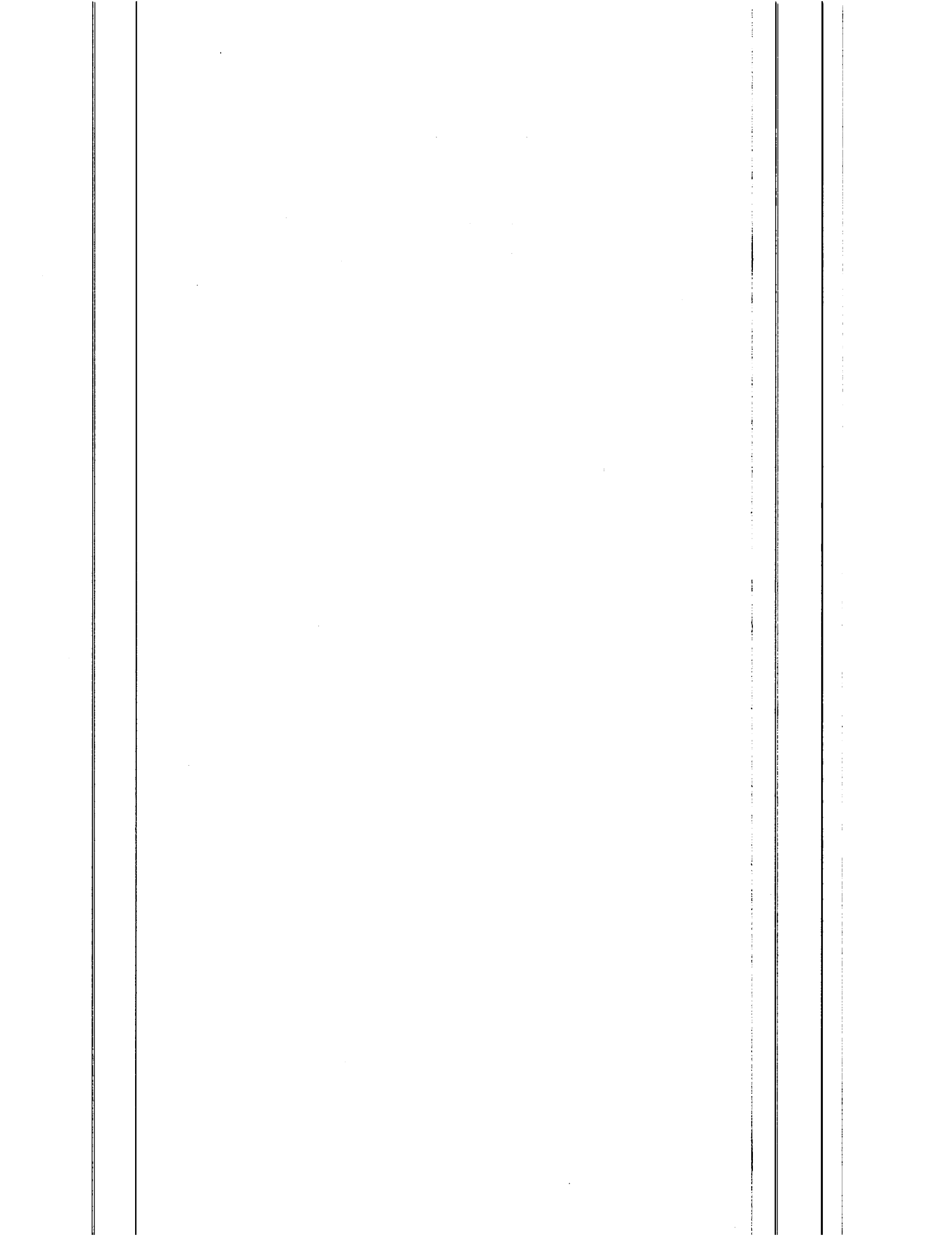
13. Due to the nature and seriousness of the alleged violations, including the involvement in an alleged aggravated assault and reckless homicide of an individual while providing services as a security guard and for engaging in services as a security guard without proper licensure, the Assistant Commissioner has determined that the health, safety, and welfare of the public immediately require this emergency action and the immediate summary suspension of Respondent's license.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the unarmed guard license, license number 436031, for Tarrell Gray shall be summarily **SUSPENDED** effective the date this Order is entered, pending the outcome of the Respondent's criminal case and/or proceedings for formal revocation or other action deemed appropriate by the Program.

ENTERED this 5th day of January, 2022.

Alex Martin

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Assistant Commissioner
Tennessee Department of
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Order of Summary Suspension has been sent to the Respondent's legal counsel at the addresses indicated below via regular and electronic mail to the following addresses on January 5, 2022.

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