



# PCS: Separation Due to Misconduct

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## Employing Agency Information (Contact for more information)

This form **MUST** be completed within 30 days of the discovery of any event of misconduct which is determined to be "FOUNDED" by the agency or department. The Misconduct Report Form, Separation Supplement, and all documentation related to the misconduct must be forwarded to the Criminal Justice Academy's Certification Unit.

For any separation involving misconduct as defined in S.C. Code Section 23-23-150, 23-1-250, and SC Regulation 37-026 completion of this form is **REQUIRED**.

## Agency Information

**Today's Date**  
10/3/2025

**Reporting Agency**  
Beaufort Co. Sheriff's Office

**Name**  
Erin M Morris

**Agency Email**  
emorris@bcgov.net

**Agency Phone Number**  
(843) 255-3200

## Officer Information

**Name**  
William Paul Squires

**Officer Phone Number**  
[REDACTED]

**Academy ID**  
6266-0465

**Certification Type**  
Class 1 LE

**Officer's Current Home Address**  
[REDACTED]

## Separation Information

**Date of Separation**      **CONFIRM Date of Separation**  
10/3/2025

**Separation Action**  
Termination INVOLVING MISCONDUCT as defined in S.C. Code Section 23-23-150, 23-1-250, and SC

**Please indicate the nature of the misconduct, as defined in 23-23-150, below: (Check all that apply)**

Section 23-23-150 (A)(3)(d) Dangerous or unsafe practices involving firearms, weapons, or vehicles which indicate either a wilful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property;

## Reason for Separation

Do not use generic terminology such as conduct unbecoming, failed to meet agency standards, violation of agency operating procedures, etc. Be specific. Detailed information describing act(s) of misconduct is necessary for efficient processing.

The below information is **REQUIRED** for all separations due to misconduct:

**Date(s) of alleged misconduct**

09/28/2025

**Please give date(s) of allegation with specific details of the subject matter:**

On September 28, 2025, William Squires, while allegedly intoxicated, drove his Sheriff's Office-issued vehicle to the scene of a small disturbance in his neighborhood, contacting several males in an off-duty capacity. William Squires then returned to his vehicle, armed himself with his duty weapon, donned his Kevlar vest, and returned to the juveniles. Cell phone video captured by the juveniles shows Squires pointing his firearm at them, ordering them to the ground, seizing a backpack, cursing, and aggressively advancing. When one juvenile pushed him, Squires drew his firearm again, pointed it directly at the juvenile, and threatened to shoot. The video also shows him dragging one juvenile by the shirt, throwing him to the ground, and handcuffing him while shouting profanities. At one point, when one of the juveniles asked someone to call the police, Squires told them he was "the police." At no time did Squires see a firearm, nor was an alleged handgun recovered during the subsequent criminal and administrative investigation.

**Officer was arrested:**

No

**Criminal Charges Filed?**

No

**Pending Criminal Investigation?**

Yes

**Pending Criminal Charges?**

No

**ACCESS MRN FORM:** <https://sccja.sc.gov/wp-content/uploads/MRN-Renewal-2025.07.01-v2.pdf>

**Upload MRN for training ONLY. See disclaimer below.**

Squires, William Separation MRN.pdf

**Pursuant to S.C. Code 23-23-150(F), does the submission of this allegation exceed the time allowed by statute?**

No

## Electronic Signature (Agency Head or Authorized Designee)

Agency Head or Authorized Designee Signature

Agency Head or Authorized Designee Academy  
ID

4365-0071

*Chief Deputy Michael M. Hatfield*

SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY

Mandatory Retraining Notification (MRN)

Date 10/03/2025 MM/DD/YYYY

Agency Name Beaufort County Sheriff's Office


Agency Email emorris@bcgov.net

Officer Name: William Paul Squires

**Section I: Attestation**

By my signature hereto, I certify and make an official statement, that pursuant to SC Code Section 23-23-60(C), as amended, the officer identified in SECTION II of the Mandatory Retraining Notification Form, has completed the claimed number of hours and required coursework as reported herein annually and evidence of such completion is maintained in the official records of the employing agency and is subject to verification by the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA) or its designated representative and meets the requirements for qualification of certification pursuant to 23-23-60 (B)(4)(5)(b)(c)(e).

Employing Agency Representative Signature  
Employing Agency Representative Printed Name  
Employing Agency Representative Academy ID

  
Chief Deputy Michael M. Hatfield  
4365-0071 #####

**Section II: Officer renewing certification (MRN Form)**

The listed officer has completed or exceeded the minimum hours and required coursework for re-certification as a law enforcement officer, pursuant to SC Code Section 23-23-60(C), 23-23-50(A), 23-23-55, 37-010, as amended, and met the requirements for law enforcement vehicle training as required in Regulation 37-014, 015, 017, 018.

- **CLASS 1:** DV, Legal, Firearms and Less Lethal Weapons, Use of Force Policy Review and EVO each yr.; one mental health awareness in-service; plus, In-Service hrs. for a total of 40 hrs. Break hours down annually.
- **CLASS 1 LECO:** DV, Legal, Firearms and Less Lethal Weapons, Use of Force Policy Review & EVO each yr.; one mental health awareness in-service; plus, in-service hrs. for a total of 120 hrs. Break hours down annually.
- **CLASS 2:** Use of Force Policy Review, Less Lethal Weapons, one mental health awareness; plus, the mandatory in-service training from the "Minimum Standards for Local Detention Facilities In SC", required by Section 24-9-10 through 24-9-50 to include but not limited to; review and update of safety and security procedures, regulations and equipment, recent legal decisions on the confinement and treatment of all types of persons detained. (Correctional Legal Update), report writing, sexual harassment, suicide prevention, inmate supervision, use of force regulations and tactics, emergency plans and procedures, interpersonal communication, cultural diversity, CPR and first aid training, sexual abuse/assault awareness and response/PREA, facility specific issues, for a total of 120 hrs. (Firearms, if issued) Break hours down annually.
- **CLASS 3 Advanced:** Legal update, Firearms and Less Lethal Weapons, Use of Force Policy Review each yr.; plus, one mental health awareness in-service. Break hours down annually.
- **Class 3 Basic:** Legal update, each yr.; plus, one mental health awareness in-service. Break hours down annually.
- **Class 3 Advanced SLECO:** Legal update, Firearms and Less Lethal Weapons, Use of Force Policy Review each yr.; plus, in-service hrs. for a total of 120 hrs.; plus, one mental health awareness in-service. Break hours down annually.
- **Class 3 Basic SLECO:** Legal update each yr.; plus, in-service hrs. for a total of 120 hrs.; plus, one mental health awareness in-service. Break hours down annually.

**In-Service Hours:** Any Academy Approved Law Enforcement Related Training (Pursuant to 37-010)

**Mental Health Awareness (Required):** One Academy approved continuing law enforcement education credit in mental health or addictive disorders over a three (3) year recertification period (Pursuant to 23-23-55)

SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY

**Mandatory Retraining Notification (MRN)**

**Instructions:**

1. Enter Officer's Name, Academy ID#, Certification Class (Class 1 LEO, Clas 1 LECO, Class 2, etc.)
2. Enter Month, day, year of session
  - a) Firearms: enter date of qualification/If not issued for Class 2 or Class 3 Basic put NA
  - b) Less Lethal Weapons: **If not issued put NA**
  - c) Use of Force: enter date policy was reviewed
  - d) Total ACADIS Hours: Total number of ACADIS Training Hours listed in ACADIS during the recertification period indicated
  - e) Total In Service Hours: Total number of In Service Hours during this recertification period indicated to include, Firearms, Less Lethal, Use of Force and EVO

Officer Name: William Paul Squires

Academy ID #: 6266-0465 ####-####

Certification Class: Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer

Certification Renewal Date: 05/04/2028 **Please use date picker for this field:**

**In boxes below use format MM/DD/YYYY or put NA if not assigned**

<b>Year 1:</b>		Firearms	Less Lethal Weapons	Use of Force	EVO
05/04/2025	05/04/2026	MM/DD/YYYY			
		Make Up Date:			
Total ACADIS Hours:					1.75
Total In Service Hours:					0.00

<b>Year 2:</b>		Firearms	Less Lethal Weapons	Use of Force	EVO
05/04/2026	05/04/2027	MM/DD/YYYY			
		Make Up Date:			
Total ACADIS Hours:					0.00
Total In Service Hours:					0.00

<b>Year 3:</b>		Firearms	Less Lethal Weapons	Use of Force	EVO
05/04/2027	05/04/2028	MM/DD/YYYY			
		Make Up Date:			
Total ACADIS Hours:					0.00
Total In Service Hours:					0.00
Total 3 Year Recert Hours:					1.75

**Mental Health Awareness Training (if completed outside of ACADIS)**

MM/DD/YYYY		
Program Name		

**SECTION III: SCCJA BID Instructor Accreditation Maintenance Report Form**

By checking this box, I further certify and hereby make an official statement, that the officer identified in Section II of the SCCJA MRN Renewal, is in compliance with the Instructor Re-Accreditation Policy of the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy for **Basic Instructor Development Certification (BID)**, and evidence of **thirty-six hours of instruction for your agency** is maintained in the official records of the employing agency and is subject to verification by the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy or its designated representatives.