

## AGENDA CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL REMOTE\* COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUAY 22, 2021 3:00 PM

\*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Cuyahoga County
Administration Building is closed for public meetings at this time.

As this meeting is being conducted remotely, in accordance with HB 197, interested persons may access the meeting via livestream by using the following link:

<a href="https://www.youtube.com/CuyahogaCounty">https://www.youtube.com/CuyahogaCounty</a>

\*\*Public comment for this meeting may be submitted in writing via email to the Clerk of Council at <a href="mailto:arichardson01@cuyahogacounty.us">arichardson01@cuyahogacounty.us</a> no later than 2:00 p.m. on Monday, February 22, 2021

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 4. DISCUSSION/CONFIRMATION HEARING:
  - a) Confirming the County Executive's appointment of Christopher P. Viland, Esq., upon his taking the oath of office, as Sheriff of Cuyahoga County for the four-year term expiring December 31, 2024.
- 5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS
- 6. ADJOURNMENT



Armond Budish
Cuyahoga County Executive

January 29, 2021

Pernel Jones, Jr., President Cuyahoga County Council 2079 E. Ninth Street, 8th Floor Cleveland. OH 44115

Re: Cuyahoga County Sheriff

Dear President Jones,

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5.08 of the Cuyahoga County Charter, I am pleased to nominate Christopher Paul Viland to serve as the Cuyahoga County Sheriff. A copy of his resume is attached hereto which details his relevant work history and background. Mr. Viland has several decades of relevant law enforcement experience on the local and state level, which address the mandated qualifications per County Charter.

Mr. Viland previously served as the Police Inspector General for the City of Cleveland's Department of Public Safety, Division of Police as well as the Chief of Police for the City of Solon. In addition, Mr. Viland has served on numerous law enforcement boards/organizations throughout Northeast Ohio and as a Commission Board Member and Task Force Director for the Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission.

I am honored to nominate Mr. Viland for the position of Sheriff as he is well suited to address the new challenges and opportunities of this office. I ask that this nomination be addressed as soon as Council's schedule allows. Should you or any of your colleagues have any questions, please feel free to contact my Executive Assistant, Laura Roche at 216-443-7181.

Sincerely,

Armond Budish County Executive

## Chapter 114: Appointment and Confirmation Section 114.01: Submission of Appointments to County Council

- A. The submission of any candidate to the Council for confirmation shall be accompanied by the following:
  - 1. A letter from the candidate requesting the appointment, if such a letter was submitted to the appointing authority;

No

 A copy of the candidate's current résumé or equivalent summary of academic, professional, and experiential qualifications;

Please see attached

3. A copy of any and all professional licenses or other credentials held by the candidate that are required to be held by the appointee; and

Please see attached

- 4. A letter from the appointing authority providing the following information:
- a. The title of the board, agency, commission, or authority to which the candidate is being appointed;

**Cuyahoga County Sheriff** 

- Any statutory or other qualifications required to hold the appointed position, plus a statement that the candidate meets such qualifications;
  - B. Please see Attached

The Candidate meets such qualifications

C. The specific term of office during which the candidate would serve;

**Upon Confirmation** 

 An indication of whether the candidate is being considered for a new appointment or for reappointment;

**New Appointment** 

b. For a new appointment: the name of the individual who the candidate would replace;

- c. Lt. Joseph Greiner
- d. For a reappointment: the past attendance record of the candidate, if maintained by the board, agency, commission or authority to which the candidate is being appointed;

N/A

e. A cumulative list of individuals who applied for the position;

Please see attached

f. The candidate's city and county of residence;

Solon, Ohio

 g. An indication of whether the candidate currently serves on any government, private, or non-profit board or commission;

N/A

h. An indication of whether any opinion was requested or issued from the Inspector General, the Ohio Ethics Commission, or other authority regarding potential conflicts of interest related to the candidate's appointment.

N/A

i. If the candidate is being appointed to a compensated position, the starting annual compensation of the position.

\$129,000.00

C. In the event that any of the information identified in this Section is not provided to the Council with the submission of an appointment, such omission shall be deemed sufficient grounds for rejection of a candidate's appointment by the Council.

## Section 114.02: Notice of Interim Appointments

A. In the event an interim appointment is made pursuant to Section 2.03 (2) of the charter, the county executive or designee shall notify the president of council within five days of making the appointment, including the date the appointment was made, and shall file the interim appointee's oath of office with the clerk of council pursuant to chapter 107 of this code.

Candidate.Name.PreferredFirstAndLastName

Christopher Viland

**David Coates** 

Johnny Hamm

Steven Bartczak

**David Williams** 

**Denise Tate** 

Natasia Poage

**Antonio Moore** 

**Emmanuel Frank** 

Joe Edwards

Wardell Jackson

Deidra Verhosek

Sarah Zigon

Iesha Mayfield

**Desmond Jones** 

Steven Hammett

Alissia Arnold

Diedra Smith

**Yvonne Haynes** 

issac jones

willie warner-sims

Kalin Berry

**Brian Sallee** 

**Nestor Rivera** 

Iyanna Marchman

Vito Monteleone

Joseph Grecol

**Amile Jarrous** 

Michael Herb

**Brandon Stovall** 

**Sherry Howell** 

**Matthew Vanyo** 

victor martinez

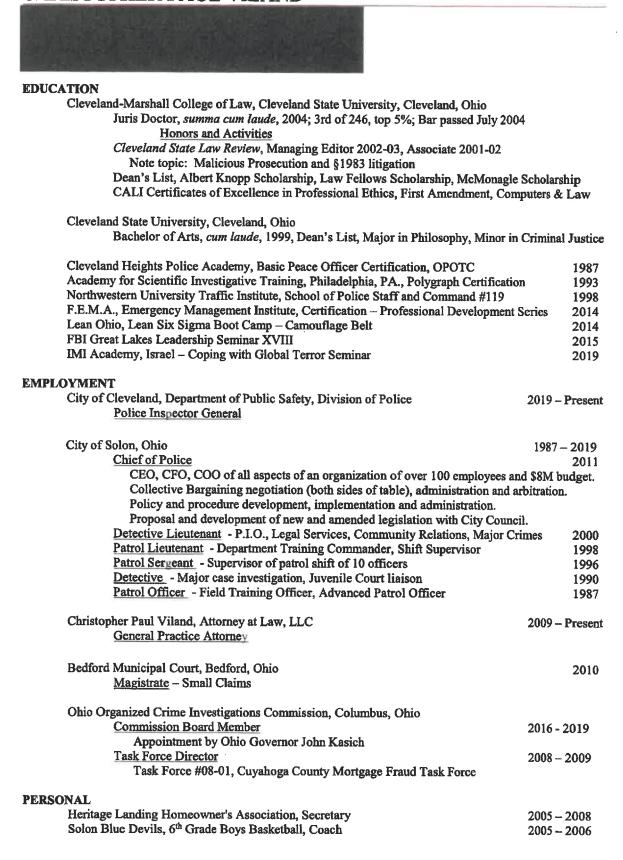
Tina Arnau

Barbara Ford

Joseph Massaroni

alexis evans

## CHRISTOPHER PAUL VILAND



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PRESENTATIONS  City of Solon, Citizen's Police Academy – Management of Law Enforcement, Constituti	1 Crimi-1
Procedure, Forensics Review	2011-2019
City of Solon, Chamber of Commerce; State of the Police Department	2011-2019
Ohio Auditor of State; Emerging Trends in Fraud Investigation and Prevention Conference -workshop presenter "Mortgage Fraud: Investigative and Prosecutorial Perspect	ce 2008
United States Attorney's Office / Northern District of Ohio; White Collar Crime Conferen	
Presented by the Economic Crimes Unit and the Law Enforcement Coordinating	
-presenter "Mortgage Fraud Panel Discussion"	, committee
Organization of Chinese Americans of Greater Cleveland (OCAGC); Town Hall Meeting	2008
-moderator/presenter "Relations Between Immigrants and Law Enforcement"	,
Greater Cleveland Mortgage Bankers Association; Annual Seminar	2008
-presenter "Fraud in the Mortgage Industry & Northeastern Ohio"	
City of Solon / KeyCorp Society Bank; Town Hall Meeting	1996
-presenter "How You and Your Family Can Avoid Being a Victim of Crime"	
Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission; Basic Police and Basic Corrections Academie	
-unit instructor, various instructional blocks	2012 - Present
AWARDS/COMMENDATIONS	
American Police Hall of Fame – Legion of Honor	1000
Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) – OVI Enforcement	1989 1991
WTAM Radio 1100 AM / Ganley Auto Group - Officer of the Week	2007
Solon Police Department – Medal of Honor	1987
Solon Police Department – Injury in the Line of Duty	1989
	992, 1992, 1994
	999, 2004, 2005
ORGANIZATIONS / AFFILIATIONS	
Chagrin Falls Alumni Association	Life Member
Greater Cleveland Peace Officer Memorial Society	Life Member
Solon 100 Club	Life Member
Cuyahoga County Police Chief's Association (President, Board of Governors) Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association	Life Member
Fraternal Order of Police, George Murray Lodge #67	1987 – 2019
Ohio Identification Officers Association	1989 – 2019 1993 – 2010
National Association of Bunco Investigators	1993 – 2010
Midwest Gang Investigator's Association	1993 – 1997
American Polygraph Association	1993 – 2003
Solon Teen Court Task Force (Founding Member)	1995 – 1996
Northern Ohio Fraud Investigators Association	2000 - 2010
Ohio Bar Association	2004 - Present
Federal Bar Association - Northern District of Ohio	2010 - 2016
Solon Chamber of Commerce	2010 - 2011
Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police	2011 - Present
International Association of Chiefs of Police	2011 - Present
Solon 100 Club, Inc. – Executive Board, Ex-Officio Trustee	2011 - Present
Southeast Area Law Enforcement Network – Board of Trustees Cuyahoga County Sexual Assault Policy Working Group	2011 – 2019
Valley Enforcement Group – Board of Trustees	2012
Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie #2436, Chagrin Falls	2012 – 2019
FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association	2011 – 2014 2015 – Present
Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board	2015 – Flesent 2016 – 2019
Chagrin Valley Regional Dispatch Center – Technical Advisory Committee (Vice Chair)	
Cuyahoga County Automated License Plate Reader RFP Vendor Review Committee	2017
National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement	2019 - Present
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## From ORC 311.01

- (B) Except as otherwise provided in this section, no person is eligible to be a candidate for sheriff, and no person shall be elected **or appointed** to the office of sheriff, unless that person meets all of the following requirements:
  - (1) The person is a citizen of the United States.
- (2) The person has been a resident of the county in which the person is a candidate for **or is appointed to** the office of sheriff for at least one year immediately prior to the qualification date.
- (3) The person has the qualifications of an elector as specified in section  $\underline{3503.01}$  of the Revised Code and has complied with all applicable election laws.
- (4) The person has been awarded a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalence issued for achievement of specified minimum scores on a high school equivalency test approved by the department of education pursuant to division (B) of section 3301.80 of the Revised Code.
- (5) The person has not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude under the laws of this or any other state or the United States, and has not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense that is a misdemeanor of the first degree under the laws of this state or an offense under the laws of any other state or the United States that carries a penalty that is substantially equivalent to the penalty for a misdemeanor of the first degree under the laws of this state.
- (6) The person has been fingerprinted and has been the subject of a search of local, state, and national fingerprint files to disclose any criminal record. Such fingerprints shall be taken under the direction of the administrative judge of the court of common pleas who, prior to the applicable qualification date, shall notify the board of elections, board of county commissioners, or county central committee of the proper political party, as applicable, of the judge's findings.
- (7) The person has prepared a complete history of the person's places of residence for a period of six years immediately preceding the qualification date and a complete history of the person's places of employment for a period of six years immediately preceding the qualification date, indicating the name and address of each employer and the period of time employed by that employer. The residence and employment histories shall be filed with the administrative judge of the court of common pleas of the county, who shall

forward them with the findings under division (B)(6) of this section to the appropriate board of elections, board of county commissioners, or county central committee of the proper political party prior to the applicable qualification date.

- (8) The person meets at least one of the following conditions:
- (a) Holds a current valid peace officer certificate of training issued by the Ohio peace officer training commission or has been issued a certificate of training pursuant to section  $\underline{5503.05}$  of the Revised Code;
- (b) Has been employed full-time by a law enforcement agency performing duties related to the enforcement of statutes, ordinances, or codes for a minimum of thirteen consecutive pay periods within the four-year period prior to the qualification date. As used in this division, "full-time" means a minimum of eighty hours of work in a fourteen-day period.
  - (9) The person meets at least one of the following conditions:
- (a) Has at least two consecutive years of supervisory experience as a peace officer at the rank of sergeant or above;
- (b) Has completed a bachelor's degree in any field or has an associate degree in law enforcement or criminal justice from a college or university authorized to confer degrees by the Ohio board of regents or the comparable agency of another state in which the college or university is located.
- (C) Persons who meet the requirements of division (B) of this section, except the requirement of division (B)(2) of this section, may take all actions otherwise necessary to comply with division (B) of this section. If, on the applicable qualification date, no person has met all the requirements of division (B) of this section, then persons who have complied with and meet the requirements of division (B) of this section, except the requirement of division (B)(2) of this section, shall be considered qualified candidates under division (B) of this section.

## Article XVI--SHERIFF SECTION 16.01 SHERIFF.

- (1) Powers and Duties. All powers and duties now or hereafter vested in or imposed upon county sheriffs by general law shall be carried out by the appointed Sheriff. The Sheriff's powers and duties shall include appointing authority in accordance with Article IX of this Charter. The Sheriff shall also have such powers and duties as shall be established by this Charter or by ordinance that are not inconsistent with those provided by general law.
- (2) Qualifications. The Sheriff shall possess and continue to maintain the qualifications provided by general law for the office of county sheriff. No person shall be appointed Sheriff unless such person: (a) Has had at least five years of experience in law enforcement or in correctional facilities management; and (b) Has obtained a baccalaureate in any field or an associate degree in law enforcement or criminal justice, from a college or university authorized to confer degrees by the Ohio Board of Regents or the comparable agency of another state in which the college or university is located.
- (3) Required Certification. Newly appointed Sheriffs shall obtain or already possess one or more of the following certifications within one year, or other time period established by Council through resolution, following the date of first assuming office: (a) A jail operations certificate or comparable certification approved by the National Sheriffs Association; (b) A certified corrections executive certificate or comparable certification approved by the American Correctional Association; (c) A certified jail officer certificate or comparable certification approved by the American Jail Association; or (d) A professional certification or degree related to the management and operation of a jail as may be approved by the Council. The office of a Sheriff who is required to comply with this section and who fails to obtain a certification pursuant to this section is hereby deemed to be vacant.
- (4) Appointment and Term. The Sheriff shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by Council, for a term of four years. The incumbent Sheriff at the time this provision becomes effective shall serve a term ending December 31, 2020. Each subsequent Sheriff shall be appointed or reappointed for a term commencing on January 1, 2021, and every four years thereafter. Reappointments shall be subject to Council confirmation.
- (5) Removal. During the Term of appointment, the Sheriff may be removed from office only for cause by resolution receiving the affirmative vote of at least eight members of the Council. The Council shall not vote on the question of the removal of the Sheriff until the Council has provided the Sheriff the opportunity to be heard and to present a case for retention in office. The Council may enter executive session to discuss the question of removal as provided by general law; provided the Council holds at least one public hearing where the Sheriff and the public have an opportunity to be heard.
- (6) Vacancy. In the event of a vacancy prior to the expiration of the Sheriff's term, the County Executive shall appoint a successor to complete the unexpired term, subject to confirmation by Council. In the event a vacancy occurs less than two years prior to the expiration of the Sheriff's four-year term, the County Executive may appoint a Sheriff to complete the unexpired term and serve a subsequent four-year term, subject to confirmation by Council. [Effective December 26, 2019; Article XVI, Section 16.01 added by the electors on November 5, 2019]

## From Charter Section 16.01

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THE DEGREE OF

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CONFERRED AT CLEVELAND, OHIO, THIS SEVENTH DAY OF AUGUST, 1999.

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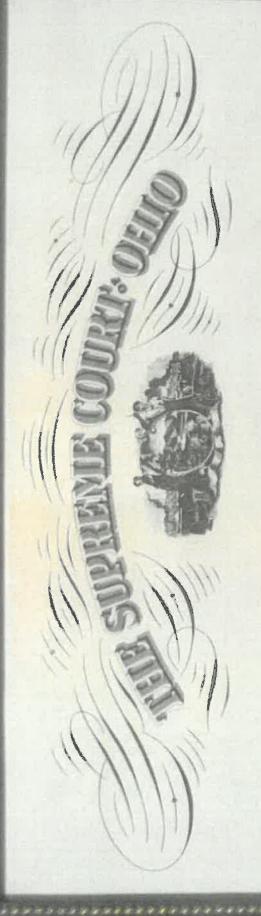
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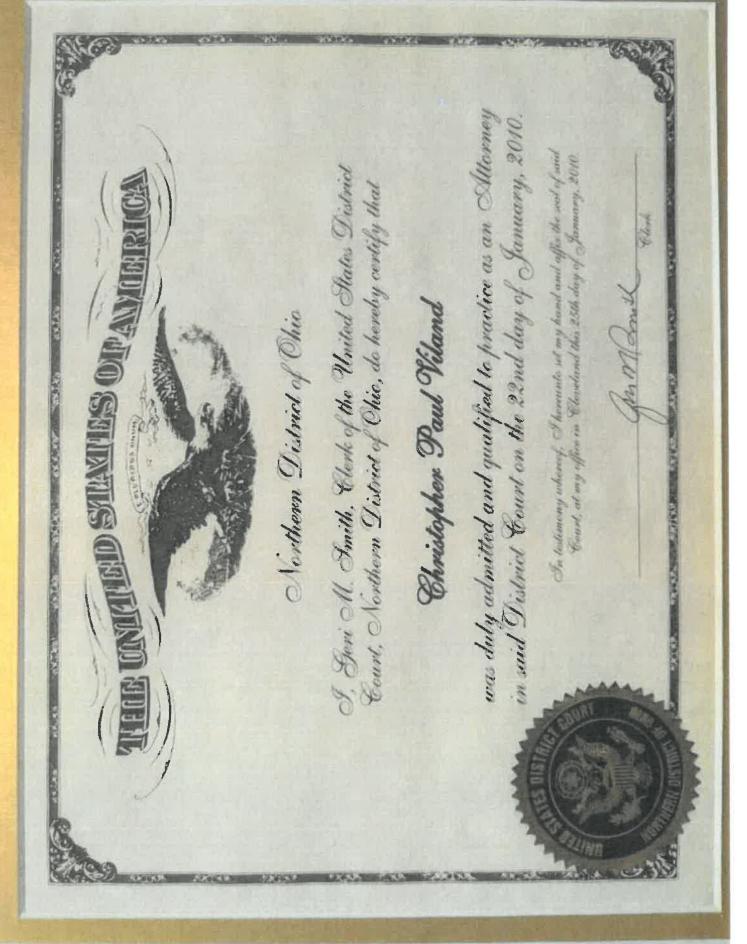


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# Christopher Paul Viland

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## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	JOURNAL ENTRY
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APPLICATION OF	)	RE: APPLICATION FOR SHERIFF
	)	OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO
CHRISTOPHER PAUL VILAND	)	·

Pursuant to R.C. 311.01, the Court makes the following findings regarding the application of Christopher Paul Viland for appointment as Sheriff of Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

- (1) Pursuant to R.C. 311.01(B)(6), applicant has been fingerprinted and has been the subject of a search of local, state and national fingerprint files under the direction of the Administrative Judge of the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas. Applicant has not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude under the laws of this state or any other state of the United States, and has not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense that or a misdemeanor of the first degree under the laws of this state or an offense under the laws of any other state of the United States that is substantially equivalent to the penalty for a misdemeanor of the first degree under the laws of this state.
- (2) Pursuant to R.C. 311.01(B)(7), applicant has prepared a complete history both of places of residence and employment for a period of six (6) years immediately preceding the qualification date which are on file with this Court.
- (3) Pursuant to R.C. 311.01(F)(1), applicant has sworn before the Administrative Judge of the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas that the information provided to verify his qualifications for Sheriff of Cuyahoga County, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is truthful.

It is therefore ORDERED that the CLERK forward a certified copy of these findings and the verified application to Cuyahoga County Executive Armond Budish.

It is further ORDERED that the CLERK pay any fees that may be associated with the filing of this application to the General Fund of Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

Date: 2/11/2021

Judge Brendan Sheenan Administrative Judge

## STATE OF OHIO CUYAHOGA COUNTY

## AFFIDVIT OF CHRISTOPHER PAUL VILAND

Now comes CHRISTOPHER PAUL VILAND, and being first duly sworn, deposes and states the following:

- Pursuant to the Charter of the County of Cuyahoga Ohio, I am an appointee, subject to confirmation by Cuyahoga County Council, for the office of Sheriff of Cuyahoga County Ohio and hereby submit the following in accordance with R.C. 311.01 and Article XVI-Sheriff, section 16.01 of the Cuyahoga County Charter.
- 2 I am a citizen of the United States.

3	I have been a resident of Cuyahoga County for at least one year immediatel	ly
	prior to the qualification date,	

- 4 I have the qualifications of an elector as specified in section <u>3503.01</u> of the Revised Code and have complied with all applicable election laws.
- I have not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude under the laws of this or any other state or the United States, and have not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense that is a misdemeanor of the first degree under the laws of this state or an offense under the laws of any other state or the United States that carries a penalty that is substantially equivalent to the penalty for a misdemeanor of the first degree under the laws of this state.
- 6 I have been fingerprinted and been the subject of a search of local, state, and national fingerprint files to disclose any criminal record. Such fingerprints will be taken under the direction of the administrative judge of the court of common pleas.
- 7 I have prepared a complete history of my places of residence for a period of six years immediately preceding the qualification date and a complete history of my places of employment for a period of six years immediately preceding the qualification date, indicating the name and address of each employer and the period of time employed by that employer. The residence and employment histories have been filed with the administrative judge of the court of common pleas of the county.
- 8 I meet at least one of the following conditions:
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  - (b) I have at least two consecutive years of supervisory experience as a peace officer at the rank of sergeant or above.

City of Cleveland Ohio, Division of Police 1300 Ontario Street Cleveland, Ohio 44113 Police Inspector General – 2019 to Present City of Solon Ohio Police Department

33000 Solon Road Solon, Ohio 44139 Chief of Police – 2011 to 2019

- 10 I shall obtain or already possess one or more of the following certifications within one year, or other time period established by Council through resolution, following the date of first assuming office:
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FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

CHRISTOPHER PAUL VILAND

Sworn to before me and subscribed to in my presence this February 2021.

Brendan Sheenan

Presiding and Administrative Judge
Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas

The State of Ohio

I, The Clerk of the Court Of Common Pleas within And for said County

**Cuyahoga County** 





P.O. Box 365 London, OH 43140 www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov

January 15, 2021

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT 1200 ONTARIO ST 11TH FLOOR - GREG POPOVICH CLEVELAND OH 44113



## CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK AUTHENTICATION NO. CS00228211ED0700 ICN. E2021014000000077425

A criminal history record check was conducted on the applicant listed below.

There are no convictions on file for this applicant.

**Applicant Name:** 

Date of Birth:

Social Security Number:

Completion Date:

Reason Fingerprinted:

VILAND, CHRISTOPHER

January 14, 2021

LAW

Superintendent Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 109.57(E)(2), BCI is authorized to provide only information relating to criminal convictions and guilty pleas. BCI is also only permitted to provide information regarding juvenile adjudications if the adjudication meets specific criteria listed in Ohio Revised Code section 109.57(E)(2) & (3).