

STATE OF FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 14-123
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Sara Talvan is presently serving as a Notary Public of the State of Florida;
and

WHEREAS, on or about September 20, 2012, Sara Talvan was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, in and for Hernando County, in case number 2012CF001465, of one count of Retail Grand Theft (value more than \$300, less than \$5,000), a third-degree felony in violation of Sections 812.015 and 812.014(1)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on or about September 20, 2012, Sara Talvan was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, in and for Hernando County, in case number 2012CF001509, of one count of Retail Grand Theft (value more than \$300, less than \$5,000), a third-degree felony in violation of Sections 812.015 and 812.014(1)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on or about December 10, 2013, Sara Talvan was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Pasco County, in case number 2013CF000178, of one count of Dealing in Stolen Property, a second-degree felony in violation of Section 812.019(1), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on or about October 29, 2013, Sara Talvan was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Hillsborough County, in case number 2013CF008292, of one count of Possession of a Controlled Substance, a third-degree felony in violation of Section 893.13(6)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on or about December 10, 2013, Sara Talvan was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Pasco County, in case number 2013CF005523, of one count of Failure to Appear, a third-degree felony in violation of Section 843.15(1)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Sara Talvan failed to notify the Department of State of the above-stated changes to her criminal history record during her commission as a Florida notary public, as required by Section 117.01(2); and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2014, and January 22, 2014, this Office notified Sara Talvan by certified mail, and required that she respond to the investigation by this Office regarding her felony convictions while commissioned as a Florida notary public; and

WHEREAS, during the investigation by this Office, it was discovered that Sara Talvan had moved from the address on file and had failed to notify the Department of State of her change of address within 60 days, as required by Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, to date, this Office has not received the required response from Sara Talvan; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized by Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution to suspend from office by executive order an appointed public official for the commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the State of Florida that Sara Talvan be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this Executive Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution and Section 117.01(4), Florida Statutes, find and state as follows:

- A. Sara Talvan is a duly appointed Notary Public of the State of Florida, pursuant to Section 117.01, Florida Statutes.
- B. Sara Talvan is commissioned as a Florida notary public from April 6, 2011, through April 5, 2015.
- C. Sara Talvan was convicted of five felonies in Hernando, Pasco, and Hillsborough Counties in 2012 and 2013, while commissioned as a Florida notary public.
- D. Sara Talvan failed to notify the Department of State of the changes to her criminal history record following her felony convictions in Hernando, Pasco, and Hillsborough Counties in 2012 and 2013, as required by Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes.
- E. Sara Talvan failed to notify the Department of State within 60 days of her change of address, in violation of Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes.
- F. Sara Talvan refused to cooperate or respond to an investigation of notary misconduct by the Executive Office of the Governor, as required by Section 117.01(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premise, and in accordance with the Florida Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued:

Section 1. Sara Talvan is suspended from the public office which she now holds: Notary Public of the State of Florida.

Section 2. Sara Talvan is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of this public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the

emoluments or privileges of this public office during the period of suspension, which shall begin today until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 25th day of March, 2014.

RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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