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WEST CALN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ANNOUNCE SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY FOR CONVICTED TOWNSHIP POLICE OFFICER

Today, the West Caln Township Board of Supervisors directed a change in employment status for convicted Township Police Sergeant Anthony Sparano. Sgt. Sparano had been on administrative leave since being charged with criminal offenses as required by the Pennsylvania Confidence in Law Enforcement Act. The Board of Supervisors directed that Sgt. Sparano be placed on unpaid administrative leave with the intent to dismiss effective immediately given the jury's decision in the criminal trial last Friday, February 2, 2024.

The Pennsylvania Confidence in Law Enforcement Act prohibits an individual to be employed as a law enforcement officer when they have been convicted of a felony or serious misdemeanor. The Act defines a serious misdemeanor as any offense where the maximum possible sentence for the offense is greater than one year. Both offenses Sgt. Sparano was found guilty of are considered serious misdemeanor offenses under the Act since both have maximum sentences greater than one year. The requirements of the Act become effective upon the imposition of sentence by the Court.