

BOARD OF RETIREMENT

Staff Report

File #: 19-722.2 Agenda Date: 8/5/2021 Agenda #: 6.

FROM: Barbara Hannah, Chief Counsel

SUBJECT: Disability Retirement Application of Justin Nielsen

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Service-Connected Disability Retirement application of Justin Nielsen - San Bernardino County - Sheriff.

Requested Benefit:

1. Service-Connected Disability Retirement

Staff Recommendation:

- 1. Justin Nielsen is permanently incapacitated for the performance of duties and a disability retirement should be granted.
- 2. Justin Nielsen's disability is service-connected based on the claimed injury(ies)/disease as listed in Exhibit A; therefore, grant a service-connected disability benefit.
- 3. Staff shall initiate disability benefit payments with an effective date of December 22, 2018, the day after the last day of regular compensation.

BACKGROUND:

At the January 9, 2020 Board meeting, the board granted an extension to April 9, 2020 for the member to submit an amendment to his application. At the May 7, 2020 Board meeting, the board granted another 6-month continuance for the member to amend his application. After review of Dr. Mohr's report, staff agrees that there is a real and measurable connection between Mr. Nielsen's permanent incapacity and employment; therefore, Mr. Nielsen is entitled to a service connected disability retirement.

Medical Advisor - Lance R. Mohr, MD, MPH Attorney - None

STAFF CONTACT:

Barbara Hannah David Lantzer

ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit A: Claimed Injury or Disease Exhibit B: Demographic Information

Exhibit C: Medical Advisor's Report - Dr. Mohr 11/24/19 Exhibit D: Medical Advisor's Report - Dr. Mohr 02/14/20

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Exhibit E: Medical Advisor's Report - Dr. Mohr 05/16/21

Exhibit F: Independent Medical Examiner's Report - Dr. Ganjianpour 07/29/19
Exhibit G: Independent Medical Examiner's Report - Dr. Ganjianpour 01/29/20
Exhibit H: Independent Medical Examiner's Report - Dr. Ruder 12/10/20
Exhibit I: Independent Medical Examiner's Report - Dr. Schreiber 02/23/21

Exhibit J: Applicant's Statement of Facts and Physician's Report

Exhibit K: Department Statement of Facts

Exhibit L: Job Description, Physical Requirements