




## Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission

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### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION** **TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM 2020-10**

DATE: July 27, 2020  
TO: Criminal Justice Agency Administrators  
Criminal Justice Training Center Directors  
FROM: Director Dean Register   
Criminal Justice Professionalism Division  
SUBJECT: National Decertification Index

Since 2001, the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST) has maintained the National Decertification Index (NDI). The NDI is a national registry of certification or license revocation actions relating to officer misconduct. The records contained in the NDI are provided by participating agencies and include the name of the subject officer, action against the certification, and contact information related to the certifying organization. The NDI currently contains 28,489 actions reported by 45 certifying organizations. FDLE has served as Florida's NDI representative since 2001 and adds each instance of the Commission revoking an officer's certification or accepting an officer's relinquished certification. As of July 2020, 10,204 Florida revocations and relinquishments have been added to the NDI. Florida has 480 registered NDI users.

The NDI can serve as a valuable tool when assessing the suitability of criminal justice applicants. Agency administrators may be alerted to previous disciplinary issues prior to making a hiring decision, or learn an applicant does not meet the Commission's minimum qualifications for certification. Information concerning the circumstances for decertification must be obtained from the state where the officer was previously certified. It is important to note that an officer's inclusion in the NDI does not necessarily preclude them from appointment as an officer in Florida.

Access to the database is available at no charge to vetted law enforcement officers, background investigators, and support staff. Agencies interested in access must submit a request through the NDI website at <https://www.iadlest.org/our-services/ndi/about-ndi>. Once on the website, select "Request Access to the NDI" button and provide the requested information. FDLE will be notified automatically to review and approve the request. Please note; approval of the agency administrator must be obtained by the individual making the request for access.

If you have questions, please contact Training and Research Manager Stacy Lehman at [StacyLehman@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:StacyLehman@fdle.state.fl.us) or (850) 410-8645.

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