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**January 19, 2011**

**Mayor Ed Mitchell  
Blount County  
341 Court Street  
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**Mayor Mitchell:**

**This letter is in response to your inquiry, dated January 14, 2011, reference Donald Bart Stinnett.**

**In regard to your question as to Mr. Stinnett retaining his P.O.S.T. Commission certification while working as the Blount County Homeland Security director, please be advised as follows: Mr. Stinnett's certification will remain in an active status as long as he continues to do his annual 40-hour in-service.**

**The question on salary is a moot issue with the P.O.S.T. Commission.**

**If you have further questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please contact me.**

**Sincerely,**

  
**John Welch  
Chief Investigator**

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