

OFFICE OF POLICE CONDUCT REVIEW

CLOSED CASE SUMMARY

OPCR-21-16



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CASE SUMMARY NUMBER: OPCR-21-16

ALLEGATIONS

	Policy Implicated	MPD Policy Manual Range	OPCR Outcome	PCRP Finding	MPD Outcome
Allegation 1	5-102 Code of Ethics	B-D	Sent to Review Panel	Merit	No Discipline Issued- Employee Separation
Allegation 2	5-105(C)(2) Professional Code of Conduct- Language	C	Sent to Review Panel	Merit	No Discipline Issued- Employee Separation
Allegation 3	7-119 (IV)(A)(1) Social Networking	A-D	Sent to Review Panel	Merit	No Discipline Issued- Employee Separation

REPORTED DEMOGRAPHICS

Race: N/A

Gender: N/A

Police Precinct: N/A

SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT

The Minneapolis Police Department’s Public Information Officer received an email alleging an officer’s social media posts that called for, “looting of Riverside Plaza, arresting journalists, looting women.” The email further included images allegedly from the officer’s public Facebook page. An article was subsequently published.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION

1) INTAKE INVESTIGATION

- a) VisiNet report

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i) The complaint originated after seeing a public post from an officer. The officer was not involved in a call for service.

b) Police Report

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c) Other

i) Initial complainant statements

ii) Screenshots

iii) Any other documents used to properly identify the officer

2) VIDEO ANALYST REVIEW

a) Body Worn Camera (BWC) Review

i) BWC footage does not exist for this complaint.

b) Squad Video Review

i) Squad video does not exist for this complaint.

3) CASE REVIEW & JOINT SUPERVISOR ROUTING

a) After reviewing the relevant and available evidence collected during intake, the Joint Supervisors agreed the complaint warranted an administrative investigation.

b) The case was assigned to a sworn investigator.

4) ADMIN/PRELIM INVESTIGATION

Summary of the following:

a) Complainant Statement

b) Focus Officer(s) Statement

c) Additional Evidence (i.e., medical documents, Facebook posts, news article etc.)

CASE OUTCOME

5) OFFICE OF POLICE CONDUCT REVIEW

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a) An administrative investigation was completed and forwarded to panel.

6) *POLICE CONDUCT REVIEW PANEL*

- a) Review panel found merit on Allegation 1: 5-102 Code of Ethics
- b) Review panel found merit on Allegation 2: 5-105(C)(2) Professional Code of Conduct-
Language
- c) Review panel found merit on Allegation 3: 7-119 (IV)(A)(1) Social Networking

7) *MINNEAPOLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT*

- a) The officer separated from the department prior to the imposition of discipline. The case is closed due to the employee's separation.