

POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Public Case Synopses

January, 2017

	Outcome	Description
1	Dismissal—No Basis	MPD P&P § 5-105 (E)(2)– Professional Code of Conduct Complainant alleges that officers did not arrive at her home though she alleged that she was being harassed by her neighbor at Complainant's residence.
2	Sent to Investigation—Dismissed, No Basis	MPD P&P § 5-103—Use of Discretion Complainant alleges that an officer has declined to "investigate serious crimes." On one occasion, Complainant claims that an officer failed to follow through on a hit-and-run complaint in which his leg was broken. More specifically, Complainant asserts that the investigator failed to contact any witnesses regarding the incident that the Complainant provided. On the other occasion, Complainant alleges that the officer dropped an investigation regarding someone threatening him with a gun as, supposedly, the officer could not identify nor locate the offender. However, Complainant contends that he provided the officer with a license plate number.
3	Dismissal—Unfounded	MPD P&P § 5-103– Use of Force Complainant alleges that he saw two teenage boys sitting at a bus stop with their hands on their laps when police arrived. Complainant asserts that the teenagers were not arguing with the officers. Nonetheless, Complainant claims that Officer 1 took one of the teenagers and "violently" tackled him to the ground, though the teenager was not resisting. Due the allegedly alarming event, Complainant contends that he and his fiancée began to film the incident and were approached by officers yielding batons who told them to "leave or they would arrest him for obstruction." Further, Complainant asserts that officers attempted to obstruct their filming of the incident by shining a spot light at them and blocking the scene.
4	Dismissal—No Basis	MPD P&P § 5-105 (A)(4)– Professional Code of Conduct Complainant alleges that he was pulled over and eventually arrested for burglary. Complainant asserts that he spend 3 days in jail and released after he gave a statement regarding the matter and no stolen goods were found. He also contends that he missed his kidney stone surgery and his vehicle was damaged due to the arrest. Finally, Complainant contends that he "never received a call back or apology" regarding the incident and is now "terrified" when encountering police.
5	Sent to Coaching—No Policy Violation Found, Coached	MPD P&P § 5-104.1 – Professional Policing Complainant contends that the investigator assigned to her case has failed to respond to her calls. Complainant contends that the lack of contact is concerning as the "robber lives three blocks " from her house and has made previous threats.
6	Sent to Coaching—No Policy Violation Found, Coached	MPD P&P § 5-104.1 – Professional Policing Complainant alleges that she walked into a precinct to request a complaint form and was told there were no paper copies and was further told "I don't know" and "we haven't had them for weeks" when she asked when some would be provided.

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7	Sent to Investigation— Sent to Coaching, No Violation Found, Not Coached	<p>MPD P&P § 5-105(A)(5)—Professional Code of Conduct Complainant alleges that, upon arriving on the scene to assist Complainant who had fallen out of her wheelchair, an officer stepped on her shoulder, dislocating it. Further, Complainant states that the officers accused Complainant of being a "drug addict." Complainant also alleges that, after officers were unable to find her medication, one officer yelled at Complainant--who was placed upon a gurney--to "get off my f@*#*** cot right now." Complainant contends that she complied with the officer's directive and removed herself from the gurney and entered her residence despite her injury. Also, Complainant alleges that she was embarrassed by being required to enter her residence in the view of neighbors as she was in her nightgown. Lastly, Complainant asserts that officers dissuaded neighbors from assisting her as they could be "arrested" for doing so.</p>
8	Sent to Investigation— Sent to Coaching, Policy Violation Found, Coached	<p>MPD P&P § 10-401– Responsibility for Inventory of Property and Evidence Complainant alleges he was pulled over for driving after revocation and did not receive his wallet back from the officer.</p>
9	Dismissal—No Basis	<p>MPD P&P § 5-105(A)(4)– Professional Code of Conduct Complainant contends that upon arriving at her home she discovered officers getting out of a van outside of her house. While walking towards her house, Complainant states that she put her hands up and notified officers that: it was her house; there was a dog inside; her daughter and her daughter's father were also inside; and that she would let them in without incident. However, Complainant alleges that officers instead handcuffed her, broke down the door to her home, and "shot and killed [her] dog in front of [her] 7 yr[.] old daughter as the dog was running away from the police" Further, Complainant asserts that the person the officers were looking for does not live at the home. Complainant contends that officers have traumatized her daughter, who "cries and screams in her sleep" after seeing her dog "sh[ot]" and "kill[ed]...right before her eyes," and her teenage son.</p>
10	Sent to Investigation— Sent to Coaching, No Policy Violation Found, Coached	<p>MPD P&P § 7-406.02—Role of Officers in the Secondary Pursuit Vehicles Complainant alleges that an officer in a squad, without sirens or other sign of an emergency, sped at 80 miles an hour, improperly switched lanes and ran a stop light.</p>