

## POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

## Public Case Synopses

May, 2016

	Outcome	Description
1	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, Failure to Cooperate	<p><b>5-303 – Authorized Use of Force</b>  Officers 1 and 2 assigned themselves to a call of an unwanted person at a hospital facility. Officers 1 and 2 were met by hospital security, who previously had advised two females—the Complainant and another individual— multiple times that they had no business in the building and were told to leave. When approached by Officers 1 and 2, the two females refused to provide identification for trespassing purposes. The females eventually provided their identification to Officers 1 and 2. After checking for warrants, the two females were given trespass notices. Upon exiting the hospital, Complainant—a juvenile—threw her trespass notice on the ground. Officer 2 told Complainant to pick up the notice or be charged with littering. Complainant refused Officer 1's command and was subsequently put in an escort hold and handcuffed. Complainant yelled at the officers that she was pregnant. Complainant was then put into the backseat of the squad car and transported to a juvenile holding center.</p>
2	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, No Basis	<p><b>MPD P&amp;P § 9-200 (III) (C) – Search and Seizure</b>  Complainant, a suspect in a criminal matter, alerted the department of the following allegations of police misconduct: inappropriate entrance of his home; destruction of his property; theft of his money hidden under a mattress; harassment by an officer based upon race and religion; and a verbal threat by the officer that he had "sent the officers to [Complainant's] home to kill him based on the fact that he is black and Muslim."</p>
3	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, No Basis	<p><b>MPD P&amp;P § 5-300 – Use Of Force</b>  Complainant alleges that a juvenile reported police abuse to him. More specifically, the juvenile alleged to Complainant that the officers grabbed him by the neck and slammed him to the ground, causing bruising to the neck and injury to his fingers</p>
4	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, No Basis	<p><b>MPD P&amp;P § 5-102 – Code of Ethics</b>  Complainant alleges she overheard officers conspiring to commit perjury while outside a courtroom prior to trial.</p>
5	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, No Basis	<p><b>MPD P&amp;P § 5-301- USE OF FORCE</b>  Complainant alleges he was asleep when officers arrived at his apartment. Complainant states officers woke him up, swore at him, then tased him. Complainant alleges that, because of being tased, he fell forward and hit a table, knocking out some of his teeth. Also, Complainant alleges that officers slammed him into the squad car prior to being placed in it.</p>
6	Dismissal, No Basis	<p><b>MPD P&amp;P § 5-105 (A) (4) – Professional Code Of Conduct</b>  Complainant alleges that the officer, who was accompanying a housing inspector to the property, failed to follow proper protocol when he attempted to enter the property through the rental side of the complex, and when the officer threatened Complainant with arrest.</p>
7	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, Failure to Cooperate	<p><b>MPD P&amp;P § 5-105(15) – Professional Code of Conduct</b>  Complainant alleges an officer working off-duty at his work site approached him and stated "Hey, did you hear your father was killed". When complainant did not know what the officer was talking about, he asked the officer "Who?" Complainant alleges the officer replied "Osama Bin Laden." Complainant also alleges the officer said "I f*ck*ng hate immigrants" and referred to Native Americans as "savages."</p>

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8	Dismissed, No Basis	<b>MPD P&amp;P § 2-501 - Training</b> Complainant alleges that an officer failed to attend mandatory CIT training
9	Dismissed, No Basis	<b>MPD P&amp;P § 5-105 – (15) – Professional Code of Conduct</b> Complainant alleges that an officer was rude to her when she went to pick up her children from the police station, and also failed to follow up on her claim that her ex-husband violated the order for protection against him. Further, Complainant alleges that the officer's dislike of her is due to her being black and her ex-husband being white.
10	Dismissed, No Basis	<b>MPD P&amp;P § 5-105 (5) – Professional Code Of Conduct</b> Complainant states that an officer pulled over her boyfriend for making a wide turn, and proceeded to ask the boyfriend/ driver of the vehicle to step out and do a sobriety test. During the testing, Complainant claims she stuck her head out to witness the event. According to Complainant, upon learning that the Complainant had her head out of the window, the officer pulled out a gun from his holster and "yelled, 'Ma'am is there any reason you are looking at me?'" Complainant contends that the officer told Complainant's boyfriend that "he [officer] did not know what her [Complainant's] intent is, [sic] we're living in dangerous times." After giving two tickets to her boyfriend, Complainant contends that the officer told her, "Ma'am do you know how dangerous it is to put your head outside of a vehicle that has been stopped by the police. Do you understand me?" Throughout the incident, Complainant contends that she and her boyfriend were compliant. Lastly, Complainant asserts that the officer used "unreasonable aggression and dominance."