

## POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

## Public Case Synopses

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	Outcome	Description
1	Dismissal, No Basis	<p>5-301.01 – Authorized Use of Force</p> <p>Complainant asserts that the an officer in an "SUV MPD vehicle" swerved as if to make a U-turn and slammed into a bicyclist that was to the left of the vehicle. Upon doing so, Complainant claims that the officer got of his vehicle and said to the bicyclist, "I told you to stop, why didn't you stop?" According to Complainant, the bicyclist was "clearly injured" due to the officer striking him. Further, Complainant contends that the bicyclist was not put under arrest and the actions of the officer were a "terrifying show of force."</p>
2	Dismissal, No Basis	<p>5-301.01 – Use of Force</p> <p>Complainant writes, "I was sleeping in passenger side seat sitting when I was awoken up by flashing lights. So I put my hands up and stepped away from curb with hands up. I was then taken to police car by force with me not resisted. I was thrown in back of police car with force after I had let them know I had a back injury he said "your back is fine" then began to slam the door against my back. I called out for emergency assistant because of back to lower back and asked for ambulance was refused and told I would be ok. No ambulance was called until I was in so much pain where I was crying out for my mom because of back pain from police officer using force. Then they called for help for me to take me to the ER where I was treated and required to see my primary doctor to follow up about injury that was caused from police being searched by male officer and force[d] into police car. Please go back on cameras! (My issues are with excessive force and refusal for medical treatment). Search by male officer was refused for girl officer."</p>
3	Dismissal, No Basis	<p>5-104.01 – Professional Policing</p> <p>Complainant claims that officers from the 1st Precinct are consistently rude, dismissive and refuse to let her file a police report.</p>
4	Investigation, Withdrawn, Referred to Training	<p>5-301.01 – Use of Force</p> <p>It is alleged that Officer 1 pushed a compliant subject—who had been asked to leave a local shelter—to the ground, leading the subject to strike his head against the pavement. Further, it is alleged that Officer 1 continued to antagonize the injured subject while waiting for EMS to arrive, including disclosing his criminal record in public and mocking him for being unable to remember the officer's badge number. Also, it is alleged that Officer 2 was unprofessional in initially apprehending the subject by yelling at him upon encountering the subject</p>
5	Investigation, coaching and policy violation	<p>5-104 (B) – Impartial Policing</p> <p>It is alleged that a black civilian rear-ended a white individual he believed to be drunk. According to the civilian, officers never conducted field sobriety tests on the driver nor file a report. Also, when asking for a business card, the civilian claimed that the officers told him, "The Chief is cutting costs and [he] didn't have any." The civilian accordingly stated that he believed the officers failed to properly assist due to bias.</p>
6	Dismissal, Withdrawn	<p>3-501 (IV) (A) (1) - Employee Health and Wellness</p> <p>It is alleged that an officer's personal medical and "investigatory" information was improperly shared by MPD officer(s).</p>
7	Dismissal, No Basis	<p>9-201 (III) (C) (1) - Searching Dwellings and Buildings</p> <p>Complainant alleges that her mother called the police on her child's father upon seeing him in "[her] neighborhood" as he has a protection order placed against him. Soon after, Complainant asserts that police came to her apartment and asked for the whereabouts of the father. Complainant claims that the officers "pushed pa[ssed] [her] and [her] year[-]old daughter" without a warrant. Complainant claims that the father was found four blocks away and was arrested for violation of the order for protection though he was never present at her home. Complainant also contends that the father has a friend who lives nearby.</p>

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8	<p>One Focus Officer Not Identified and Partially Dismissed, Remaining Allegation Sent to Coaching, Officer Coached, No Policy Violation</p>	<p><b>5-313 – Use of Chemical Agents</b>                  Complainant alleges that two people close to him were having an argument when an "unknown officer deployed mace without warning[,] hitting [Complainant] in the face." Further, Complainant contends that the officer failed to assist him and he went to a nearby convenience store to find water to flush his eyes out. Upon exiting the store, Complainant asserts that a person, who identified himself as an officer, knocked him onto the ground, breaking his watch in the process. Complainant claims that the officer who maced him also witnessed the incident and told Complainant that the person who "knocked" him to the ground was not an officer.</p> <p>After the aforementioned, Complainant asserts that he went to the nearby precinct to file a complaint. While attempting to do so, Complainant contends that officers "cursed at [him]," telling him "something to the effect of were not your f***ing babysitters." Complainant also claims that he was "denied the use of a phone to secure a safe ride home and had to pay a stranger on the street" for transportation. He also asserts that officers told him that a supervisor would contact but one never did.</p>
9	<p>Dismissal, No Basis</p>	<p><b>5-104 – Impartial Policing</b>                  Complainant alleges that an officer claimed to stop him for a defective muffler but later justified it by stating the license plate light was defective. Complainant states that the light was checked 10-15 minutes after the stop and it was functioning and believed the officers "lied" about the reason for the stop. Complainant also states that an officer asked for his ID and that of his occupants--both black men. Complainant asserts that one of his occupants did not have an ID and the officer continued to look up his name, which he failed to find, making a "deal of it."</p>
10	<p>Coaching, Officer Coached, No Policy Violation</p>	<p><b>5-304 De-Escalation</b>                  Complainant asserts that he was attempting to ask an officer for assistance for his truck which was being towed, but was instead maced twice and arrested.</p>