

POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Public Case Synopses

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	Outcome	Description
1	Sent to Investigation – Review Panel Recommended No Merit, Coached	MPD P&P § 5-103– Use of Discretion Officer allegedly struck an individual fleeing on foot with the squad car.
2	Dismissal—No Basis	MPD P&P § 5-107 (1)– Professional Code of Conduct Complainant alleges that he was falsely arrested after he and his child's mother got into a verbal altercation. After being kicked out of a room and waiting in the living room for his property, Complainant contends that officers, without asking questions, pointed guns and tasers at him, subsequently arresting him and taking him to jail. While under arrest, Complainant alleges that he was on the phone with his cousin who was "trying to mediate" the situation regarding Complainant's property. After this, Complainant states that he asked the senior officer at the scene to turn off his phone. After handing the officer his phone, Complainant contends that he was asked for his name, to which he gave two due to his identity having been stolen in the past. Also, he contends that he told officers his version of what happened but they nonetheless still took him into custody. He also asserts that his phone, which he told the officer was in no way related to the incident, was taken in as possible evidence.
3	Sent to Coaching—No Policy Violation, Not Coached	MPD P&P § 5-104.01– Professional Policing Complainant alleges she had an "email encounter" with an officer regarding an incident and she is now afraid of his retaliation. She claims that the officer knows all about her, including "researching who [she] [is]" after she commented about one of his statements.
4	Dismissal—Failure to Cooperate	MPD P&P § 5-104– Impartial Policing Complainant alleged harassment and sexual harassment, stating "the officer squeezed my testicals during a strip search." Complainant alleges he was handcuffed and detained without reason and taken to jail without his Miranda Rights read to him; the officer used unnecessary force at the time complainant was told he was free to go; officers falsely charged him; officers were going to take complainant to jail for revocation, but complainant stated he wasn't driving the vehicle. Officers realized that and after 40 minutes, the officers changed it to disorderly conduct and complainant was told he was free to go.
5	Dismissal—No Basis	MPD P&P § 5-104.01– Professional Policing Complainant contends that he was on a bike in the travel lane when he was cut off by an officer in a squad car. After being cut-off, Complainant asserts that he informed the officer that his headlights were off. In response, Complainant asserts that the officer told him that he didn't have to drive with his lights on. According to Complainant, he responded that the officer had to "follow the same traffic rules as other drivers," to which the officer replied "it's not dark." Complainant asserts that he answered the officer by telling him that motorists are required to turn on their lights one hour before sundown. Complainant alleges that the officer told him that "so what" in reply and then sped off after Complainant asked him for his name. Next, Complainant contends that he followed the officer for several blocks, yelling occasionally to get the officer's attention, eventually catching up to him at an intersection. While at the intersection, Complainant, who was now recording, claims that the officer identified himself upon request. However, Complainant alleges that the officer denied making the statement that he did not need

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		to turn on his lights when pressed by Complainant, instead telling him "I don't have to answer to you," and then driving off.
6	Sent to Investigation – Review Panel Recommends No Merit	MPD P&P §5-104—Impartial Policing Complainant states he is targeted by the officers. Complainant states he works on cars at his home and garage. Complainant states that Officers are towing his cars that are used for business. Complainant states when Officers see the cars being driven they are pulled over for driving without a license. Complainant states he had a licensed driver in the car when he was stopped. Additionally, Complainant states that the cars are being towed for parking over 72 hours. Complainant believes the towing is due to filing complaints on these officers.
7	Dismissed – No Basis	MPD P&P § 5-300—Use of Force Complainant alleges that her "friend got trampled by a [police] horse on a sidewalk" outside of a local nightclub during closing time. Further, Complainant contends that a desk officer refused to let her in to file a complaint, ignoring her for approximately 15 minutes until she eventually gave up and left.
8	Sent to Coaching – No Policy Violation, Not Coached	MPD P&P § 5-104.01– Professional Policing Complainant alleges that he had given a ride to some people, only to discover that they had stolen "money and a watch, money clip and medications" from a bag in the car. The next day, Complainant contends that he went to a nearby precinct to report the theft. However, Complainant asserts that an officer at the front desk told the Complainant that his complaint "made no sense" and that he shouldn't file a report till he had replaced his medications.
9	Dismissed – No Basis	MPD § 7-400—Normal Vehicle Information Complainant contends that officers feel "entitled" and need to be "being respectful of the general population." More specifically, Complainant contends that officers "unnecessarily" park where they wish, further obstructing traffic. As an example, Complainant asserts that a squad car was "deliberately", "unnecessarily" parked "so as to block the right two lanes of traffic."
10	Sent to Investigation—Dismissed, No Basis	MPD P&P § 5-300—Use of Force Complainant alleges that officers used "unnecessary force" against his client while the client was protesting.