

ABSTRACTS OF SUSTAINED CASES

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Log/C.R. No. 1009215

On 11 September 2007, a complaint was registered with the Independent Police Review Authority, regarding an incident occurring in the 14th District. It was alleged that an on-duty Chicago Police Department sergeant slammed a subject's head against a squad car while the subject was handcuffed; grabbed the subject by his face while he was handcuffed; grabbed the subject by the throat while he was handcuffed; struck the subject on his head while he was handcuffed; pulled on the back of the subject's pants causing the subject's clothing to squeeze his testicles, while he was handcuffed; threw the subject's keys toward a sewer and attempted to kick the keys into the sewer; called the subject a racial slur; threatened to kill the subject; instructed two subordinate officers to run a name check on the subject and to release the subject if the check returned negative results, which is a violation of Department rules; gave a false report to his commanding officer about the extent of his physical contact with the subject; and that he submitted a false Department report by excluding the physical contact/force that he used on the subject. It was further alleged that at a separate time, the accused sergeant gave a false statement to IPRA regarding the circumstances involving the arrest of the subject. It was also alleged that two on-duty Chicago Police Department officers gave a false statement to IPRA regarding the circumstances involving the arrest of the subject. Based on the statements of the subject and corroborating witnesses and/or photographic evidence of the injuries, IPRA recommended to **"SUSTAIN"** the allegations that the accused sergeant slammed the subject's head against a squad car while the subject was handcuffed; grabbed the subject by his face while he was handcuffed; grabbed the subject by the throat while he was handcuffed; struck the subject on his head while he was handcuffed; and pulled on the back of the subject's pants causing the subject's clothing to squeeze his testicles, while he was handcuffed. Because witness statements only corroborated part of the allegation that the accused sergeant threw the subject's keys toward the sewer, IPRA recommended to **"SUSTAIN"** only this portion of the allegation. Further, based on the statements of the subject and corroborating witnesses, IPRA recommended to **"SUSTAIN"** the allegations that the accused sergeant called the subject a racial slur; threatened to kill the subject and instructed two subordinate officers to run a name check on the subject and to release the subject if the check returned negative results, which is a violation of Department rules. Based on the accused sergeant's admissions, witness statements, and Department reports, IPRA recommended to **"SUSTAIN"** the allegation that the accused sergeant gave a false report to his commanding officer about the extent of his physical contact with the subject; that he submitted a false Department report by excluding the physical contact/force that he used on the subject; and that at a separate time, he gave a false statement to IPRA regarding the circumstances involving the arrest of the subject. IPRA recommended a finding of **"UNFOUNDED"** for the allegations that the two other accused officers gave a false statement to IPRA regarding the circumstances involving the arrest of the subject, because there was no

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evidence to support this allegation. Lastly, IPRA recommended **separation for the accused sergeant**.

Log/C.R. No. 1016171

On 30 April 2008, a complaint was registered with the Independent Police Review Authority, regarding an incident occurring outside the City of Chicago municipal limits. It was alleged that an off-duty Chicago Police Department officer pushed a victim and pulled that same victim. It was further alleged that on a subsequent date, the accused officer was found guilty of Simple Battery. The accused officer agreed to mediation whereby he accepted IPRA's recommendation to **SUSTAIN** all of the allegations made against him and a **five (5) day suspension** as the recommended penalty.

Log/C.R. No. 1013180

On 07 January 2008, a complaint was registered with the Independent Police Review Authority, regarding an incident occurring in the 14th District. It was alleged that an on-duty Chicago Police Department officer failed to take action and assist a victim regarding an attempted theft; disrespected the victim by getting close to the victim's face when speaking to him, touching the victim's nose; twisted the victim's finger; verbally abused the victim; and refused to identify himself to the victim. Based material evidence and/or corroborating witness statements, IPRA recommended to "**SUSTAIN**" the allegations that the accused officer failed to take action and assist the victim regarding an attempted theft; disrespected the victim by getting close to the victim's face when speaking to him, touching the victim's nose; twisted the victim's finger; verbally abused the victim; and refused to identify himself to the victim. IPRA recommended a penalty of **fifteen (15) days suspension**.