

Independent Police Review Authority

Quarterly Report

October 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

January 15, 2010

This report is filed pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2-57-110, which requires the filing of quarterly reports. This quarterly report provides information for the period October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. The information contained in this report is accurate as of December 31, 2009.

Quarterly Overview

In the past quarter IPRA closed 654 pending investigations. This reflects a return to the higher number of investigations IPRA was able to close in past quarters. IPRA retained 617 matters for investigation. This represented a marked decrease over the average number of investigations commenced by IPRA in the four preceding quarters. These two numbers reflect a return to IPRA closing more investigations in a quarter than it opened.

Last quarter, when IPRA's marked increase in new investigations was coupled with a decrease in investigations completed, one explanation offered for the fewer completed investigations was that the diversion of resources to the significantly larger number of new investigations left fewer resources to complete existing investigations. That the decrease in new investigations is now coupled with an increase in investigations closed appears to confirm this.

Finally, IPRA remains committed to completing thorough investigations. During this quarter IPRA completed 60% of its investigations within 6 months. A slight decrease from previous quarters.

Pursuant to the ordinance, during this quarter IPRA referred 1618 investigations to the Internal Affairs Division of the Chicago Police Department for resolution.

During this quarter, IPRA published its Second Annual Report. It and all of IPRA's public reports are available at www.iprachicago.org. IPRA also continued in this quarter to meet with elected officials, community residents, community based organizations, and faith based institutions to explain IPRA's process and mandate, as well as to open lines of communication.

IPRA Cumulative Figures

	INTAKE (all allegations/ notifications) ¹	IPRA Investigations Opened ²	IPRA Investigations Closed ³	IPRA Caseload ⁴
Sept. 2007	746	216	162	1290
4Q 2007	2273	613	368	1535
1Q 2008	2366	590	554	1571
2Q 2008	2436	640	670	1541
3Q 2008	2634	681	667	1555
4Q 2008	2337	699	692	1562
1Q 2009	2384	657	687	1532
2Q 2009	2648	755	651	1635
3Q 2009	2807	812	586	1981
4Q 2009	2235	617	654	1949
TOTALS	22866	6280	5691	

2-57-110(1): The number of investigations initiated since the last report

Between October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, IPRA issued 2235 Log Numbers. Of these Log Numbers, IPRA retained 617 for resolution. IPRA forwarded the remaining 1618 Log Numbers to the Internal Affairs Division of the Chicago Police Department for appropriate resolution.

¹ Pursuant to the IPRA Ordinance, certain events trigger an IPRA investigation even in the absence of an allegation of misconduct. The term “notification” refers to those events that IPRA investigates where there is no alleged misconduct.

² This number does not include investigations “Re-opened” because of the settlement of litigation, new evidence, or the results of the Command Channel Review process.

³ This number may include some investigations “Re-closed” after being Re-opened.

⁴ The caseload number for periods prior to 3Q 2009 are the numbers that IPRA previously reported in quarterly reports. As discussed above, due to a calculation error, over time these numbers became inaccurate. The caseload number for 3Q 2009 reflects the results of IPRA’s complete audit of pending investigations.

Of the 617 Log Numbers retained by IPRA, IPRA classified 195 as Complaint Register Numbers.⁵ In addition, IPRA began Pre-affidavit Investigations for 300 of the Log Numbers retained by IPRA. The remainder of the retained Log Numbers consisted of 16 Log Numbers for shootings where an individual was hit by a bullet and a “U Number” was issued, 19 for shootings where no one was hit by a bullet, 20 for shots fired at animals, 39 for reported uses of tasers, 9 for reported uses of pepper spray,⁶ 2 for miscellaneous notifications, and 19 for Extraordinary Occurrences.

2-57-110(2): The number of investigations concluded since the last report

Since October 1, 2009, IPRA closed 654 Log Numbers. A Log Number is considered closed when IPRA completes its work on the matter, regardless of whether the Police Department is still processing the results.

2-57-110(3): The number of investigations pending as of the report date

As of December 31, 2009, there were 1949 investigations pending completion by IPRA. These include both allegations that have received Complaint Register Numbers, and those being followed under a Log Number, as well as officer-involved shootings, and Extraordinary Occurrences.

2-57-110(4): The number of complaints not sustained since the last report⁷

Between October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, IPRA recommended that 164 investigations be closed as “not sustained.”

In addition, 304 cases were closed after a Pre-affidavit Investigation because the complainants refused to sign an affidavit. IPRA recommended that 47 investigations be closed as “unfounded,” and 3 be closed as “exonerated.”

2-57-110(5): The number of complaints sustained since the last report

Between October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, IPRA recommended that 12 cases be closed as sustained.

⁵ This includes two Log Numbers classified as both a Complaint Register and a shooting with an individual hit by a bullet. These two Log Numbers are counted only once in the total number of Log Numbers retained by IPRA, but included in the breakouts of all applicable sub-categories: Complaint Register and shooting with an individual hit.

⁶ As of December 31, 2007, IPRA issued a Log Number for notifications of uses of taser, pepper spray, or for shootings where no one is injured only if it received a telephonic notification of the incident or there was an allegation of misconduct. As of January 1, 2008, IPRA implemented procedures to issue Log Numbers for all uses of taser and shootings, regardless of the method of notification. In addition CPD issued a reminder to CPD personnel to provide notification to IPRA.

⁷ The term “not sustained” is a term of art in police misconduct investigations. It is defined in CPD G.O. 93-3 as “when there is insufficient evidence either to prove or disprove allegation.” In addition, cases may be “unfounded,” which means “the allegation is false or not factual.”

2-57-110(6): The number of complaints filed in each district since the last report⁸

Between October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, IPRA received complaints of alleged misconduct based on incidents in the following districts, as follows:

District 01 = 66	District 08 = 139	District 14 = 59	District 20 = 21
District 02 = 83	District 09 = 96	District 15 = 92	District 21 = 51
District 03 = 103	District 10 = 64	District 16 = 71	District 22 = 87
District 04 = 137	District 11 = 134	District 17 = 46	District 23 = 48
District 05 = 95	District 12 = 53	District 18 = 94	District 24 = 71
District 06 = 143	District 13 = 35	District 19 = 50	District 25 = 81
District 07 = 102			

Outside City Limits = 38 Unknown location = 17

2-57-110(7): The number of complaints filed against each officer in each district since the last report⁹

(See Attachment)

2-57-110(8): The number of complaints referred to other agencies and the identity of such other agencies

Between October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, IPRA referred 1630 cases to other agencies as follows:

Chicago Police Department – Internal Affairs Division = 1618

Cook County State’s Attorney = 12

⁸ “Complaints” is defined as all reports of alleged misconduct, whether from the community or from a source internal to the Police Department, whether a Complaint Register number has been issued or not. This does not include, absent an allegation of misconduct, reports of uses of Tasers, pepper spray, discharges of weapons whether hitting an individual or not, or Extraordinary Occurrences. Districts are identified based on the district where the alleged misconduct occurred. Some complaints occurred in more than one District, they are counted in each district where they occurred. This list does include confidential complaints.

⁹ This uses the same definition of “complaints” as the preceding section. Except as otherwise noted, if a member was assigned to one unit but detailed to another at the time of the complaint, the member is listed under the detailed unit.

ATTACHMENT: COMPLAINTS AGAINST CPD MEMBERS BY UNIT

District 001

Members 1-17: 1 complaint each

District 002

Members 1-17: 1 complaint each

District 003

Members 1-22: 1 complaint each

Members 23-24: 2 complaints each

Member 25: 3 complaints

District 004

Members 1-25: 1 complaint each

Members 26-27: 2 complaints each

District 005

Members 1-25: 1 complaint each

Members 26-29: 2 complaints each

District 006

Members 1-34: 1 complaint each

Members 35-36: 2 complaints each

Member 37: 3 complaints

District 007

Members 1-32: 1 complaint each

Member 33-34: 2 complaints

District 008

Members 1-29: 1 complaint each

Member 30: 2 complaints

District 009

Members 1-21: 1 complaint each

Members 22-25: 2 complaints each

District 010

Members 1-9: 1 complaint each

Members 10-12: 2 complaints each

District 011

Members 1-33: 1 complaint each

Members 34-36: 2 complaints each

District 012

Members 1-13: 1 complaint each

Member 14: 2 complaints

District 013

Members 1-9: 1 complaint each

Member 10: 2 complaints

District 014

Members 1-27: 1 complaint each

District 015

Members 1-19: 1 complaint each

District 016

Members 1-15: 1 complaint each

Member 16: 2 complaints

District 017

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

District 018

Members 1-29: 1 complaint each

Member 30: 2 complaints

Member 31: 3 complaints

District 019

Members 1-16: 1 complaint each

Member 17: 2 complaints

District 020

Members 1-8: 1 complaint each

District 021

Members 1-17: 1 complaint each

Member 18: 2 complaints

Member 19: 3 complaints

District 022

Members 1-29: 1 complaint each
Members 30-32: 2 complaints each

District 023

Members 1-9: 1 complaint each
Member 10: 3 complaints
Member 11: 4 complaints

District 024

Members 1-25: 1 complaint each
Member 26: 3 complaints

District 025

Members 1-28: 1 complaint each
Members 29-30: 2 complaints each

District Reinstatement (045)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Airport Law Enforcement Unit – North (050)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Airport Law Enforcement Unit – South (051)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Marine Unit (059)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Internal Affairs Division (121)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Human Resources Division (123)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Education & Training Division (124)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Information Services Division (125)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Inspection Division (126)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Neighborhood Relations Division (132)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Special Events and Liaison Section (136)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Special Functions Group (141)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Bureau of Patrol – Admin (142)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Traffic Enforcement Unit (151)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Loop Traffic Unit (152)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Mobile Strike Force (153)

Members 1-33: 1 complaint each

Members 34-38: 2 complaints each

Records Inquiry Section (163)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Member 4: 2 complaints

Field Services Section (166)

Members 1-5: 1 complaint each

Member 6: 2 complaints

Evidence & Recovered Property Unit (167)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Central Detention Section (171)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Forensic Services Section (177)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Narcotics Section (189)

Members 1-52: 1 complaint each
Members 53-65: 2 complaints each
Member 66: 3 complaints

Intelligence Section (191)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Vice Control Section (192)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Gang Investigation Section (193)

Members 1-5: 1 complaint each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 1 (211)

Members 1-10: 1 complaint each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 2 (212)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 3 (213)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 4 (214)

Members 1-17: 1 complaint each
Members 18-22: 2 complaints each
Member 23: 3 complaints

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 5 (215)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each
Member 4: 2 complaints

Office of the Deputy Chief, Central Control Group (216)

Members 1-5: 1 complaint each

Targeted Response Unit (253)

Members 1-7: 1 complaint each
Members 8-10: 2 complaints each
Members 11-12: 3 complaints each

Gang Team Area 1 (311)

Members 1-20: 1 complaint each
Members 21-23: 2 complaints each
Members 24-25: 3 complaints each

Gang Team Area 2 (312)

Members 1-5: 1 complaint each
Member 6: 3 complaints
Member 7: 4 complaints

Gang Team Area 3 (313)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each
Member 3: 2 complaints

Gang Team Area 4 (314)

Members 1-7: 1 complaint each

Gang Team Area 5 (315)

Members 1-13: 1 complaint each
Members 14-18: 2 complaints each

Alternate Response Section (376)

Members 1-11: 1 complaint each
Members 12-14: 2 complaints each

Evidence Technician Team – North (377)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Juvenile Intervention Support Center (384)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Evidence Technician Team – South (477)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Detached Services – Misc Detail (543)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Bomb & Arson Section (603)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Central Investigations Section (606)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 1 (610)

Members 1-8: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 2 (620)

Members 1-12: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 3 (630)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 4 (640)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 5 (650)

Members 1-5: 1 complaint each

Member 6: 2 complaints

Public Transportation Section (701)

Members 1-9: 1 complaint each

Member 10: 2 complaints

CTA Security (702)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Transit Security (704)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each