

**SUMMARY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**

**I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Date of Incident:	September 3, 2018
Time of Incident:	11:45 pm
Location of Incident:	██
Date of COPA Notification:	September 4, 2018
Time of COPA Notification:	1:40 pm

██████████ alleged that the accused officers used excessive force to arrest her daughter, ██████████ and falsified the arrest report to state that her daughter bit the accused.

**II. INVOLVED PARTIES**

Involved Officer #1:	██████████ star ██████████ employee ID ██████████ Date of Appointment ██████████ PO, Unit ██████████ DOB ██████████ ██████████ F, Wh
Involved Officer #2:	██████████ star ██████████ employee ██████████, Date of Appointment ██████████, PO, Unit ██████████ DOB ██████████ ██████████ M, Wh
Involved Individual #1:	██████████, ██████████, F, Blk
Involved Individual #2:	██████████, ██████████, F, Blk

**III. ALLEGATIONS**

Officer	Allegation	Finding / Recommendation
██████████ ██████████	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It is alleged that the accused used excessive force, when she pulled ██████████ hair, while attempting to handcuff her.</li> <li>2. It is alleged that the accused falsified the arrest report to state that ██████████ bit the accused.</li> </ol>	<p>Exonerated</p> <p>Unfounded</p>
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| 2. It is alleged that the accused falsified the arrest report to state that [REDACTED] bit the accused. | Unfounded |
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#### IV. APPLICABLE RULES AND LAWS

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##### General Orders

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1. G03-02 Use of Force

#### V. INVESTIGATION

##### a. Interviews

In her statement to COPA<sup>1</sup> on September 4, 2018, [REDACTED] stated that she called the police to arrest her daughter, [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] had threatened to beat her. [REDACTED] explained that while the officers were in the process of arresting [REDACTED] they used excessive force when they grabbed [REDACTED] hair. [REDACTED] said that when the accused officers attempted to handcuff [REDACTED] she stiffened her body, so they grabbed her hair. [REDACTED] explained that once the accused officers got [REDACTED] to her feet and in the hallway of the apartment building, they threw [REDACTED] to the floor and an officer put his knee in her back, causing [REDACTED] not to be able to breathe. [REDACTED] stated that she witnessed the entire incident. [REDACTED] also alleged that the accused officers falsified the arrest report to claim that [REDACTED] bit an officer.

##### b. Digital Evidence

The Body Worn Camera footage does not corroborate [REDACTED] allegations. To the contrary, [REDACTED] can be seen resisting arrest when she refuses to give her hand to the accused to be handcuffed. When [REDACTED] attempted to handcuff her, [REDACTED] bit the officer's arm. [REDACTED] shouted at [REDACTED] to stop biting her and when she did not stop, the officer grabbed [REDACTED] by the hair to try to stop her from biting. [REDACTED] did not stop biting, so another officer grabbed her hair to pull her away from [REDACTED]. After the accused officers got [REDACTED] to stop biting and were able to handcuff her, she refused to get up and walk out to the police vehicle. The accused officers asked her to get up several times and when she continued to refuse, they informed her that they would carry her out to the vehicle. The accused officers picked her up and began to carry her out. When she became more upset, they placed her on her feet, so that she could walk out. The footage shows that once [REDACTED] walked out to the hallway of the building, she pulled away from the officers, and fell to the floor. One of her hands came uncuffed as she fell, and the officers tried to get her to calm down because she was kicking and screaming. The officers made several attempts before they got both of her hands cuffed again and got her up off the floor. [REDACTED] screamed that she could not breathe, but she was breathing and there were no officers preventing her from breathing. The footage shows an officer

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<sup>1</sup> Att. 4

had [REDACTED] wait in a different room while officers tried to get the situation under control. From that other room, [REDACTED] was unable to observe the entire incident.

**c. Documentary Evidence**

The Chicago Police Department Arrest Report<sup>2</sup> includes the details of [REDACTED] biting the right forearm of [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] pulling [REDACTED] by the hair to stop her from biting. The report also states that [REDACTED] tried to disarm [REDACTED].

The Chicago Police Department Tactical Response Report<sup>3</sup> for [REDACTED], details [REDACTED] actions to include physical attack with mouth and teeth, biting, pulling away, not following verbal commands, and attempting to obtain member’s weapon.

**VI. ANALYSIS**

The Body Worn Camera footage shows that the accused officers did not use excessive force while placing [REDACTED] in custody. It shows [REDACTED] actively resisting arrest, including her biting the forearm of [REDACTED], and pulling away from officers which caused her to fall to the floor. [REDACTED] alleged that she witnessed the entire event, but the footage shows several instances where she is not present when the officers are attempting to take [REDACTED] into custody. [REDACTED] was not present when [REDACTED] bit [REDACTED] or when she fell in the hallway. The footage also negated [REDACTED] allegation that the accused officers falsified the arrest report. Therefore, neither allegation can be sustained.

**VII. CONCLUSION**

Based on the analysis set forth above, COPA makes the following findings:

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<sup>3</sup> Att. 6

Approved:

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*Deputy Chief Administrator*

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Date

Appendix A

Assigned Investigative Staff

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<b>Investigator:</b>	██████████
<b>Supervising Investigator:</b>	██████████████████
<b>Deputy Chief Administrator:</b>	██████████████████████████████