

**SUMMARY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION<sup>1</sup>**

Date/Time/Location of Incident:	February 26, 2016, at approximately 10:00 p.m., at or near [REDACTED]
Date/Time of COPA Notification:	March 1, 2016, at approximately 2:06 p.m.
Involved Officer #1:	[REDACTED], Star # [REDACTED], Employee ID # [REDACTED], DOA: [REDACTED]/12, Police Officer, Unit of Assignment: [REDACTED] Bureau of Patrol – [REDACTED], DOB: [REDACTED]84, Male, Hispanic
Involved Officer #2:	[REDACTED], Star # [REDACTED], Employee ID # [REDACTED], DOA: [REDACTED]/12, Police Officer, Unit of Assignment: [REDACTED] Bureau of Patrol – [REDACTED], DOB: [REDACTED]/80, Male, Hispanic
Involved Officer #3:	[REDACTED], Star # [REDACTED], Employee ID # [REDACTED], DOA: [REDACTED]/12, Police Officer, Unit of Assignment: [REDACTED] District, DOB: [REDACTED]87, Male, White
Involved Officer #4:	[REDACTED], Star # [REDACTED], Employee ID # [REDACTED], DOA: [REDACTED]/12, Police Officer, Unit of Assignment: [REDACTED] District, DOB: [REDACTED]/77, Male, Hispanic
Involved Individual #1:	[REDACTED], DOB: [REDACTED]/82, Male, African American
Case Type:	Failure to complete Tactical Response Report

**I. ALLEGATIONS**

Officer	Allegation	Finding
Officer [REDACTED] [REDACTED]	1.It is alleged by COPA investigator [REDACTED], that you failed to complete a Tactical Response Report for an interaction with [REDACTED] that occurred on February 26, 2016, at approximately 10:00 p.m., at [REDACTED]	Not Sustained

<sup>1</sup> On September 15, 2017, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) replaced the Independent Police Review Authority (IPRA) as the civilian oversight agency of the Chicago Police Department. Therefore, this investigation, which began under IPRA, was transferred to COPA on September 15, 2017, and the recommendation(s) set forth herein are the recommendation(s) of COPA.

	<p>██████████ that resulted in injury in violation of Rule 5.</p>	
<p>Officer ██████████</p>	<p>1.It is alleged by COPA investigator ██████████ ██████████, that you failed to complete a Tactical Response Report for an interaction with ██████████ ██████████ that occurred on February 26, 2016, at approximately 10:00 p.m., at ██████████ ██████████ that resulted in injury in violation of Rule 5.</p>	<p>Not Sustained</p>
<p>Officer ██████████</p>	<p>1.It is alleged by COPA investigator ██████████ ██████████, that you failed to complete a Tactical Response Report for an interaction with ██████████ ██████████ that occurred on February 26, 2016, at approximately 10:00 p.m., at ██████████ ██████████ that resulted in injury in violation of Rule 5.</p>	<p>Not Sustained</p>
<p>Officer ██████████</p>	<p>1.It is alleged by COPA investigator ██████████ ██████████, that you failed to complete a Tactical Response Report for an interaction with ██████████ ██████████ that occurred on February 26, 2016, at approximately 10:00 p.m., at ██████████ ██████████ that resulted in injury in violation of Rule 5.</p>	<p>Not Sustained</p>

**II. SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE<sup>2</sup>**

On February 26, 2016, at approximately 10:00 p.m., the complainant ██████████ (“██████████”) fled on foot from Illinois State Police Trooper ██████████ # ██████████ (“██████████”) after being pulled over near the intersection of ██████████ and ██████████ for a cracked taillight. Officers ██████████, ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████ assisted in apprehending ██████████. ██████████ alleges that four white male Chicago Police Officers caused an injury to his left cheek while placing him in handcuffs. Photographs of ██████████ depict a large bruise on ██████████ left cheekbone near his sideburn.

COPA identified Officers ██████████ and ██████████ using Trooper ██████████ report that lists Officers ██████████ and ██████████ star numbers and describes them as the Chicago Police Officers who apprehended ██████████. Officer ██████████ and ██████████ were identified using Event Query No. ██████████, where beat number ██████████, pertaining to Officer ██████████ and ██████████,

<sup>2</sup>COPA conducted a full and complete investigation of this matter, including the interview of all pertinent civilian and officer witnesses, and the collection and review of digital, documentary, and forensic evidence. As part of COPA’s ongoing efforts to increase case closure capacity, certain cases opened under IPRA are summarized more succinctly in a Modified Summary Report of Investigation, pursuant to COPA Guideline Modified Summary Report of Investigation Template and Approvals, effective February 13, 2019.

lists ██████ as in custody. COPA's search for Tactical Response Reports from Officers ██████, ██████, ██████, and ██████ on February 13, 2019, returned negative results.

In his statement ██████, admitted to having fled. ██████ further stated that he believed the bruise on his left cheekbone came as a result of being placed on the ground to be handcuffed. Officers ██████ and ██████ stated that they did not recall the incident on February 26, 2016, due to the length of time that has passed. Officer ██████, ██████, and ██████ further stated that since they patrol near the highway, they have assisted Illinois State Police troopers numerous times, and as a result did not specifically recall this event.

### III. ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

#### *Allegations*

COPA alleged that on February 26, 2016, at approximately 10:00 p.m., at or near the location of ██████, Officers ██████, ██████, ██████, ██████, and ██████ committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions:

- 1.) Failed to complete a Tactical Response Report for an interaction with ██████ ██████ that resulted in injury.

#### *Application of CPD's Polices/Rules*

Chicago Police Department policy does not require officers to complete a Tactical Response Report in conjunction with handcuffing except when handcuffing results in injury or an allegation of injury.<sup>3</sup> In considering the summary of evidence as factually true by a preponderance, COPA finds that it is probable that ██████ was resisting arrest at the time he was handcuffed. Therefore, had an officer used force to press ██████ onto the ground to achieve greater control over him, it would be permissible under the Chicago Police Department's use of force policy.<sup>4</sup> COPA could not conclusively determine whether it was Officer ██████, ██████, ██████, or ██████ who placed ██████ in handcuffs. Furthermore, COPA could not conclusively determine that ██████ injury came as a result of being handcuffed. Officers ██████, ██████, ██████, and ██████ did not recall ██████, the incident, or coming into contact with an individual who was injured as a result of police action on February 26, 2016. Moreover, Trooper ██████, in her report, did not indicate that ██████ was injured as a result of the apprehension by any Chicago Police Officer. COPA finds the allegations against Officers ██████, ██████, ██████, and ██████ are Not Sustained.

Approved:

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 Deputy Chief Administrator – Chief Investigator

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 Date

<sup>3</sup> G03-02-05 – Incidents Requiring the Completion of a Tactical Response Report, effective 8/18/16 through 3/3/17

<sup>4</sup> Force Options, General Order G03-02-02, effective 01/01/2016 through 10/15/2017

Appendix A

Assigned Investigative Staff

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