

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

Date/Time/Location of Incident:	November 3, 2019 / 5:30 p.m./ [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois [REDACTED]
Date/Time of COPA Notification:	January 21, 2020 / 6:22 p.m.
Involved Officer #1:	Officer Carly Brackin, Star #9562, Employee ID# [REDACTED], Date of Appointment: June 27, 2016, Rank: Police Officer, Unit of Assignment: 004, DOB: [REDACTED], 1991, Gender: Female, Race: White
Involved Individual #1:	[REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED], 1980, Gender: Female, Race: White
Case Type:	Verbal Abuse

**I. ALLEGATIONS**

Officer	Allegation	Finding
Officer Carly Brackin	It is alleged by the complainant, [REDACTED] that on or about November 3, 2019, at approximately 5:30 pm, at or [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Chicago, IL, the accused committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions:  1. Stated words to the effect of “bitch” and/or “pig” in reference to [REDACTED]	Not Sustained

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

The Complainant, [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) maintains that Chicago Police Officer Carly Brackins (“Officer Brackins”) referred to her as a “bitch” and/or “pig,” in an exchange of text messages. During her COPA interview, [REDACTED] informed investigators that she obtained a no contact order against Brackins’ [REDACTED] who attempted to break [REDACTED] door at

<sup>1</sup> COPA investigated this complaint. As part of COPA’s ongoing efforts to increase case closure capacity, certain cases, such as this one, are summarized more succinctly in a Modified Summary Report of Investigation.

<sup>2</sup> This section contains a summary of the material evidence gather during the investigation.

her home.<sup>3</sup> █████ contends that she has seen multiple police cars outside her home, and she believes that these vehicles are occupied by Brackins and/or her █████.<sup>4</sup> Lastly, █████ also contends that her children were removed from the home by the Department of Children and Family Services (“DCFS”) due to Brackin’s involvement in the case.<sup>5</sup>

█████ explained to COPA investigators that, prior to November 3, 2019, █████ (█████ of Brackin, lived with her at her home. On November 3, 2019, at or around 5:30 p.m., Brackin’s █████ repeatedly kicked at the door at █████ residence which purportedly caused damaged to the door. According to █████ account in the no contact order, █████ stated that he would kick the door off the hinges and pull █████ out to beat his ass.<sup>6</sup> █████ then called the police before █████ finally left her residence. █████ alleges that Brackin has also stated words to the effect of, “bitch” and/or “pig” in reference to her in an exchange of text messages.<sup>7</sup>

Furthermore, during her interview with COPA on February 2, 2021, **Officer Brackin** informed COPA that her █████ is █████, and she was not aware that her █████ showed up at █████ residence on November 3, 2019.<sup>8</sup> Brackin also explained that she was also unaware that █████ obtained a ‘no contact’ order against her █████ and was unaware of the reason for the order.<sup>9</sup> Brackin then stated that she does not recall stating words to the effect of, “pig,” “bitch,” “shrek,” “disgusting,” “nasty,” “drunk” or a “bad mom” in reference to █████ via text messages.<sup>10</sup> Brackin maintains that she has never reported █████ and her children to social services for the purpose of child welfare.<sup>11</sup> Brackin learned from █████ mother that █████ children were removed from the home by child services.<sup>12</sup>

Finally, despite having no BWC footage, the relevant no contact order indicates that the **no contact order** was filed against █████, who is not a member of the Chicago Police Department.<sup>13</sup> Additionally, the **Event Query**<sup>14</sup> indicates that █████ called to report an assault by █████ on November 3, 2019, at or around 6:41 pm. The **Original Case Incident Report**<sup>15</sup> indicates that █████ caused damaged to the door at █████ and stated that he was going to pull █████ out and kick his ass.

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<sup>3</sup> Attachment 6 at Mark 10:12-34.

<sup>4</sup> Id at Mark 11:06-11:17.

<sup>5</sup> Id at Mark 16:03.

<sup>6</sup> Attachment 7.

<sup>7</sup> COPA attempted to obtain text messages from █████ on January 21, 2020, and October 27, 2020. █████ explained to COPA that the text messages were located on an older phone and they were not readily accessible. As of April 29, 2022, █████ still has not provided COPA with those messages.

<sup>8</sup> Attachment 12 at Mark 13:14-13:41.

<sup>9</sup> Id at Mark 14:32-14:45.

<sup>10</sup> Id at Mark 14:49.

<sup>11</sup> Id at Mark 16:04.

<sup>12</sup> Id at Mark 16:17.

<sup>13</sup> Attachment 7.

<sup>14</sup> Attachment 14.

<sup>15</sup> Attachment 13.

**III. ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION**

*Officer Carly Brackin*

- a. **Officer Brackin stated words to the effect of, “bitch” and/or “pig” in reference to**

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COPA recommends a finding of **NOT SUSTAINED** against Officer Brackin, in that she stated words to the effect of, “bitch” and/or “pig” in reference to ██████████. Here, in her interview with COPA, Officer Brackin maintains that she does not recall making these statements, which is different from the account given by ██████████<sup>16</sup> ██████████ failed to provide text messages documenting this incident. Thus, there is insufficient evidence to prove or disprove that these statements were made by Officer Brackin. For these reasons, COPA finds that this allegation against Officer Brackin is **NOT SUSTAINED**.

Approved:

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Sharday Jackson

*Deputy Chief Administrator – Chief Investigator*

May 30, 2022

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Date

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<sup>16</sup> Attachment 12 at Mark 16:04.