SUMMARY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Date of Incident:	March 9, 2019
Time of Incident:	7:20 PM
Location of Incident:	
Date of COPA Notification:	March 13, 2019
Time of COPA Notification:	12:46 PM
attempted to execute a search we the search warrant, the subject Additional units were called to exited the residence through to transported to the hospital via	discharged a firearm striking Officer Cuenca. the location of incident. After additional arrived, the front door and was placed into custody. Officer Cuenca was a Chicago Fire Department Ambulance. The residence was later as and a weapon and narcotics were retrieved and inventoried.
Involved Officer #1:	Andres Cuenca, #14877; Employee # Date of Appointment: October 27, 2014; Police Officer; Unit of Assignment: 025 th District/ DTL Unit 153; DOB: 1985; Male, Hispanic.
Involved Officer #2:	Samantha Grazziano, #10873; Employee # Date of Appointment: September 29, 2014; Police Officer; Unit of Assignment: 025 th District, DOB: 1991; Female, White.
Involved Officer #3:	Cesar Valdez, #17353; Employee # Date of Appointment: June 27, 2016; Police Officer; Unit of Assignment: 025 th District, DOB: 1985; Male, Hispanic.
Involved Officer #4:	Ivan Ramos, #2338; Employee # Date of Appointment: January 23, 2006; Sergeant; Unit of Assignment: 025 th District; DOB: 1982; Male, Hispanic.
Involved Officer #5:	Michael Katradis, #12341; Employee # Date of Appointment: April 6, 2015; Police Officer; Unit of

Assignment: 014th District; DOB: 1979; Male, White. George Jadou, #6358; Employee # Date of Involved Officer #6: Appointment: October 16, 2017; Police Officer; Unit of White. Involved Officer #7: Daniel Ciach, #13590; Employee # Date of Appointment: February 29, 2016; Police Officer; Unit of Assignment: 011th District; DOB: 1980; Male, White. Jeffrey Siwek, #729; Employee # Date of Involved Officer #8: Appointment: August 14, 2000; Lieutenant; Unit of Assignment: 025th District; DOB: 1976; Male, White. Involved Individual #1: DOB: , 1999; Female, White

III. ALLEGATIONS

Officer	Allegation	Finding /
		Recommendation
Officer Andrea Cuenca	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Cuenca committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by,	
	1. Attempting to breach a door before knocking and announcing his office during the execution of a search warrant.	Unfounded
Officer Samantha Grazziano	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Grazziano committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by,	
	1. Failing to activate her body worn camera during the execution of a search warrant.	Sustained

Officer Cesar Valdez	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at an unknown time, while at 5555 W Grand Avenue, Officer Valdez committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by, 1. Failing to describe the actions of a Department member prior to breeching a door during the execution of a search warrant, when completing a Tactical Response Report.	Unfounded
Sgt. Ivan Ramos	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Sgt. Ramos committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by,	
	1. Failing to ensure that the Department members adhered to the Knock and Announce Rule.	Unfounded
	2. Failing to make timely notification impending search warrant execution.	Unfounded
	3. Failing to ensure that all Department members were properly using Body Worn Cameras.	Unfounded
	4. Failing to properly use his Body Worn Camera in that Sgt. Ivan's jacket covered up the camera lens.	Sustained
Officer Michael Katradis	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Katradis committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions, by,	
	1. Pulling Ms. down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification.	Exonerated
	2. Failing to activate his Body Worn Camera in a timely manner.	Unfounded

Officer George Jadou	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Jadou committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by, 1. Pulling Ms. down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification.	Exonerated
Officer Daniel Ciach	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Ciach committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by,	
	 Breeching the first floor of the residence without justification. Entering the first floor of the residence without justification. 	
Lt. Jeffrey Siwek	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at an unknown time, while at 5555 W. Grand Avenue, Lt. Siwek committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by, 1. Failing to describe the actions of a Department member prior to breeching a door during the execution of a search warrant, when completing a Tactical Response Report on behalf of Officer Cuenca.	Unfounded

IV. APPLICABLE RULES AND LAWS

Rules 1. Rule 6-Disobedience of an Order/Directive, whether written or oral. 2. Rule 10- Inattention to Duty. General Orders 1. General Order 03-02-02 – Incidents Requiring the Completion of a Tactical Response Report Special Orders 1. Special Order 03-14 – Body Worn Cameras 2. Special Order 04-19 – Search Warrants Federal Laws

1. Knock and Announce Rule and 725 ILCS 5/108-8, in violation of Special Order 04-19, Section VIII, D1, a.

V. INVESTIGATION

a. Interviews

Attempts were made to interview ______ (_____and and were met with negative results\(^1\). Attorney Stefan Fenner refused to allow COPA to interview ______ Upon the advice of counsel, ______ refused to give a statement to COPA. As of September 27, 2021, _______ and have not contacted COPA. (Att's. #22, 23, 36)

In his statement to COPA on September 29, 2020, Officer Cesar Valdez stated that on the date and time of the incident he was assigned to Beat 2561D along with Officer Grazziano. Officer Valdez related that he, Officer Grazziano and several other Department members attempted to execute a search warrant at the location of incident. Officer Valdez added that prior

to the execution of the search warrant, he was provided with information regarding the subject of the search warrant and instructions on how the search warrant would be executed.

Officer Valdez related that he was responsible for the ballistic shield. Officer Valdez stated that he was the second officer in the stack and Officer Cuenca was the first officer. Officer Valdez related that when they arrived at the second floor of the location of incident, he knocked and announced, "Chicago Police, search warrant." Officer Valdez continued that after there was no response from inside, Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram several times. Officer Valdez stated that at some point, Officer Cuenca dropped the ram and fell to the floor.

Officer Valdez stated that he made eye contact with Officer Cuenca and realized that Officer Cuenca had been shot. Officer Valdez related that he then provided shelter with the ballistic shield while other officers attempted to render aid. Officer Valdez stated that moments later, an unidentified lieutenant from the 014th District opened the rear door of the residence from inside.

Officer Valdez denied having any physical contact with denied observing the officers place into custody. Officer Valdez stated that he did not recall observing Officer Cuenca strike the door with the ram prior to him knocking and announcing. Officer Valdez denied failing to accurately describe the actions of a Department member prior to breaching a door during the execution of a search warrant when he completed his TRR. Officer Valdez continued that when he prepared the TRR, he wrote it the way he recalled the incident. Officer Valdez added that he reviewed footage from his BWC but did not recall observing Officer Cuenca strike the door with the ram prior to him knocking and announcing. (Att's. #97, 124)

In her statement to COPA on October 10, 2019, Officer Grazziano stated on the date and time of the incident she was assigned to Beat 2561 along with Officer Valdez. Officer Grazziano added she attempted to execute a search warrant with Officer Valdez and other tactical officers assigned to the 025th District. Officer Grazziano stated that she held a meeting at the 025th District with the involved officers prior to the execution of the search warrant. Officer Grazziano related that she discussed the target of the search warrant, strategy, and emergency information.

Officer Grazziano stated that when she arrived at the location of the incident, she was directed to turn on her BWC. Officer Grazziano related that she activated her BWC by tapping it. Officer Grazziano stated that unfortunately her BWC only recorded the buffering. Officer Grazziano added that after the incident, the detectives informed her that her BWC did not record the incident. Officer Grazziano stated that she does not know if her camera malfunctioned or if it was inadvertently turned off by striking an object on her body. Officer Grazziano denied failing to turn on her BWC.

Officer Grazziano stated that she was third in line while approaching the rear door of the location for the execution of the search warrant. Officer Grazziano stated that she could not recall

if Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram prior to knocking and announcing. Officer Grazziano could not recall how many times Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram prior to being shot. Officer Grazziano related that Sgt. Ramos did not observe the incident as he was on the ground level at the time of incident. (Att's. #86, 120)

In his statement to COPA on October 17, 2019, Officer Felix Batista stated that on the date and time of the incident, he was assigned to Beat 2565B along with Officer Cuenca. Officer Batista related that he and Officer Cuenca assisted Beat 2561 with a search warrant at the location of incident. Officer Batista stated that prior to the attempt to execute the search warrant and while at the 025th District Station, Sgt. Ramos conducted a strategy meeting regarding the search warrant.

Officer Batista stated that when they arrived at the location of incident, he was the fourth person in line. Officer Batista stated that he heard a bang noise as Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram and then observed Officer Cuenca fall to the porch floor. Officer Batista related that Officer Cuenca never breached the door as he was shot while attempting to breach the door. Officer Batista stated that he never observed nor did he have any physical contact with Officer Batista stated that while at the location of incident, everyone was instructed to turn on their BWC's. Upon inquiry, Officer Batista stated that he did not know if Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram prior to knocking and announcing. (Att's. #121, 126, 127)

In his statement to COPA on June 26, 2019, Sgt. Ramos stated that on the date and time of the incident, he was the sergeant assigned to Tactical Team 2561. Sgt. Ramos added that on the date and time of the incident, he was also in charge of Tactical Team 2565, he was not sure of the names of all the officers who were present on either team. Sgt. Ramos was the supervisor of the search warrant that was being executed at the location of incident. Sgt. Ramos stated that he was dressed in civilian clothing with Chicago Police paraphernalia visible on his person.

Sgt. Ramos related that he and Officer Grazziano conducted a meeting at the 025th District Station prior to attempting to execute the search warrant. Sgt. Ramos stated that involved officers were given the name of the target, the address, what they were searching for, a strategy related to the execution of the search warrant and the routes of the closest hospitals. Sgt. Ramos added that the officers were instructed to knock and announce prior to breaching the door. Sgt. Ramos related that he gathered information that was selling narcotics. The informant had gone to residence to purchase narcotics and provided Officer Grazziano with the information. Sgt. Ramos added that he and his team had prior knowledge that had been arrested several days before the execution of the search warrant for being in possession of a shot gun.

Sgt. Ramos stated that when they arrived at the location of incident, they parked on the side of the residence in the alley. Sgt. Ramos gave the officers instructions to turn on their body worn cameras. Sgt. Ramos continued that his officers proceeded to go up the staircase and up to

the 2nd floor. Sgt. Ramos stated that he heard the officers knock and announce, "Chicago Police." Sgt. Ramos gave notification to OEMC via his Department radio regarding the execution of the search warrant. Sgt. Ramos then heard Officer Cuenca strike the door with the ram. Sgt. Ramos stated that after several attempts of striking the door with the ram, Officer Cuenca was struck by a bullet from an offender, now known as

Sgt. Ramos made notification via his Department radio that Officer Cuenca had been shot. Sgt. Ramos requested an ambulance and called for a "10-1." Sgt. Ramos related that additional units arrived and placed into custody once she exited the 2nd floor apartment. Sgt. Ramos added that the ambulance transported Officer Cuenca to Stroger Hospital for medical treatment.

Sgt. Ramos related he was at the rear of the stack, standing on the ground level and would not have seen the initial steps taken to execute the search warrant. Upon inquiry, Sgt. Ramos stated that he had no knowledge as to Officer Cuenca striking the door with the ram prior to someone knocking and announcing. Sgt. Ramos denied observing Officer Grazziano failing to activate her body-worn camera.

Sgt. Ramos denied failing to ensure that Department members adhered to the knock and announce rule. Sgt. Ramos added that the Department members knocked and announce prior to the attempt of the breach of the rear door. Sgt. Ramos denied not making timely notifications of the search warrant. He stated that he did make timely notification of the search warrant. Sgt. Ramos denied failing to properly use his body-worn camera in that his jacket covered up his camera lens. Sgt. Ramos added that after reviewing the camera, he saw that his jacket covered his lens. Sgt. Ramos denied failing to ensure that all Department members were properly using BWC. Sgt. Ramos stated that he directed all officers on the scene to turn on their BWC.

Upon inquiry, Sgt. Ramos stated that there was no surveillance of the residence conducted prior to the search warrant. Sgt. Ramos related that he and his officers attempted to breach the door via the rear door based on the information that they received from the informant. (Att's. #74, 118)

In his statement to COPA on September 17, 2020, Lieutenant Jeffrey Siwek stated that on the date and time of the incident, he was assigned as an interim lieutenant for a tactical team in the 025th District. Lt. Siwek related that when he arrived at the 025th District on the date of the incident, he was informed by a member of the tactical team (unidentified) that they were executing a search warrant at the location of incident. Lt. Siwek stated that he believed that he was included in the briefing at the station prior to the execution of the search warrant. Lt. Siwek was informed who that target was and what the officers were searching for.

Lt. Siwek stated that he was approximately the sixth or seventh person in line of the Department members who were executing the search warrant. Lt. Siwek related that he was on the 1st landing from the second floor and Officer Cuenca was on the second floor. Lt. Siwek related that he heard the officers yelling "Police." Lt. Siwek continued that he heard the door being struck

with the ram. Lt. Siwek related that moments later, he heard a bang and Officer Cuenca fall to the floor. Lt. Siwek asked what had occurred and someone informed him that Officer Cuenca had been shot in the head.

Lt. Siwek immediately ran downstairs and began requesting an ambulance. Lt. Siwek said he ran towards the front of the building and later observed being placed inside a Department vehicle. Lt. Siwek contended that he did not observe the Department members place in handcuffs.

Lt. Siwek related that when he arrived at the area, he completed a Tactical Response Report (TRR) on behalf of Officer Cuenca because he was unable to, due to being incapacitated. Lt. Siwek stated that he did not speak with Officer Cuenca or review any BWC footage prior to completing the TRR, and that he completed the TRR based on his recollection.

Upon inquiry, Lt. Siwek stated that after the TRR had been approved, he learned that Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram prior to knocking and announcing. Lt. Siwek related that he believed that the information regarding Officer Cuenca striking the door with the ram would be added in the supplementary report when the detectives were completing their investigation. Lt. Siwek related that the narrative was a general summary and was supposed to explain how Officer Cuenca had been injured. Upon inquiry, Lt. Siwek stated that he doubted that he would have added the information regarding the striking of the door with the ram, even if he had prior knowledge. Lt. Siwek denied that the narrative of the TRR was inaccurate. Lt. Siwek explained that the narrative was to describe the force used against the officer and not every fact or every step. (Att's. #91-93, 123)

In his statement to COPA on February 18, 2021, Officer Cuenca stated that on the date and time of the incident he was assigned to Beat 2565B along with his partner Officer Batista. Officer Cuenca stated that he, Officer Batista, and several officers were at the location of incident to execute a search warrant. Officer Cuenca related that a meeting was held at the 025th District Station prior to the execution of the search warrant. Officer Cuenca stated that he was assigned to the battering ram. Officer Cuenca added that he had used the battering ram on several other search warrants prior to this incident.

Officer Cuenca stated that when they arrived at the location of the incident, he was first in line of the stack, and Officer Valdez was behind him with the ballistic shield. Officer Cuenca related that when they arrived at the door of the targeted apartment, Officer Valdez stood next to him. Officer Cuenca was holding the battering ram with two hands and heard someone say, "Knock." Officer Cuenca related that he hit the door with the ram and Officer Valdez continued knocking with his fist, while stating, "Chicago Police, search warrant." Officer Cuenca explained that he did not strike the door with force to breach the door, but minimal force to knock on the door. Officer Cuenca continued that after there was no response, he then struck the door with force to breach the door. Officer Cuenca stated that after he struck the door several times, he saw a light

and collapsed. Officer Cuenca explained that he could not breathe and just recalled Officer Batista cradling him and Officer Valdez holding the shield.

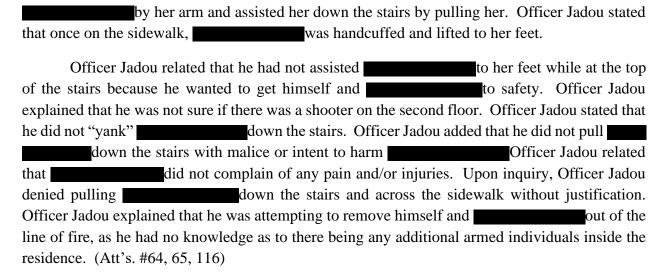
Officer Cuenca stated that he was not successful in breaching the door with the ram. Officer Cuenca related that he did not have any physical contact with nor did his see while at the location of incident. Officer Cuenca stated that he did not complete a TRR regarding this incident because he had been shot. Officer Cuenca related that he does not know who completed the TRR on his behalf nor has he seen the TRR that was completed on his behalf. Officer Cuenca contended that no one spoke with him prior to the completion of the TRR on his behalf.

Officer Cuenca related that he reviewed his BWC and spoke with Detective Garcia approximately four months after the incident. Upon inquiry, Officer Cuenca denied attempting to breach a door before knocking and announcing his office during the execution of a search warrant. Officer Cuenca explained that the first time he struck the door with the ram, he was not near the doorknob or locks. Cuenca added that he did not strike the door with intentions of breaching the door. (Att's. #105, 125)

During his statement with COPA on June 19, 2019, Officer Jadou stated that he and his partner, Officer Fine, were assigned as the marked unit positioned to secure the front entrance of the location of incident and to ensure that no one would escape apprehension. Upon inquiry, Officer Jadou stated that he was informed that the search warrant was for narcotics. Officer Jadou also stated that he was informed that the subject of the warrant, now known as was in possession of firearms.

Officer Jadou stated that he and Officer Fine approached the building and the tactical unit walked through the alley on the side of the building. Officer Jadou described the building as being brick with a small gate in front. Officer Jadou related that he and Officer Fine walked up approximately six or seven steps and stood on the front porch. While standing on the front porch, Officer Jadou heard several loud bangs and then screaming. Officer Jadou heard someone running to the front from the alley and realized that it was an officer from the tactical unit. Officer Jadou related that the officer from the tactical unit yelled out 10-1 and instructed Officer Jadou and Officer Fine to exit the front porch and watch the windows. Officer Jadou stated that the tactical unit officer informed him that an officer had been shot.

Officer Jadou and Officer Fine took cover and watched the window of the second floor. Officer Jadou related that several moments later exited a door with her hands in the air. Officer Jadou along with other Department members directed to "show her hands, get down and come down." Officer Jadou related that he approached while the additional officers provided cover for him. Officer Jadou related that when he approached she was laying on the porch on her stomach. Officer Jadou grabbed



During his statement with COPA on June 19, 2019, Officer Ciach stated that on the date and time of the incident, he was assigned to the 011th District and responded to the location of incident regarding a call of a "10-1." Officer Ciach explained that a "10-1" was an indicator that an officer needed immediate assistance from additional officers. Officer Ciach added that he could not recall who was his partner on the date and time of the incident.

Officer Ciach stated that via the radio, he heard that an officer had been shot. Officer Ciach added that other than the address, no additional information had been given as to how many offenders were involved. Officer Ciach related that when he arrived at the location of incident, he had no knowledge as to whether the offender was in custody. Officer Ciach continued that when he arrived at the location of incident, he observed several officers running and pointing flashlights at the building.

Officer Ciach related that at some point he observed several officers walk from the rear of the building, with shields in their hands, and up the front porch stairs. Officer Ciach stated that he observed the officers knocking on the door to the 1st floor. After the officers did not receive a response, the officers attempted to breach the door. Officer Ciach related that he approached the door and began assisting the breach of the door, by kicking the door. Officer Ciach added that at some point the door was breached and he along with additional unidentified officers entered the residence.

Upon inquiry, Officer Ciach denied breaching the first floor of the residence without justification and entering the first floor of the residence without justification. Officer Ciach explained that when he arrived at the location of incident, he had not heard which floor that the incident had occurred. Officer Ciach added that he was informed that an officer had been shot and was under the impression that the building needed to be cleared. Officer Ciach continued that he had not heard that the offender was in custody. Officer Ciach added that he had no knowledge as to which floor the door led to. Officer Ciach does not know the identity of the additional officer

who assisted with kicking the door. Officer Ciach explained the stress and adrenaline played a part in his actions/ hearing. Officer Ciach related that his actions of breaching the door and entering the apartment were justified due to exigent circumstances.

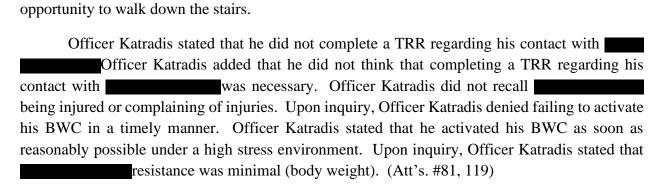
After viewing the BWC of Officer Jesus Alvarez-Torres, Officer Ciach stated that he did not recall hearing an officer state words to the effect of, "The house is clear." Officer Ciach also stated that he did not recall hearing an officer state words to the effect of, "Second floor, second floor." Upon inquiry, Officer Ciach stated that there was no permission given to enter the 1st floor apartment. Officer Ciach related that the apartment was empty, and no arrest were made as a result of entering the 1st floor apartment. (Att's. #69, 117)

In his statement to COPA on October 10, 2019, Officer Katradis stated that on the date and time of the incident, he was assigned to Beat 1463D along with Officer Catalano. Officer Katradis stated that he and Officer Catalano responded to the location of the incident regarding a "10-1, officer down" call. Officer Katradis added that he had heard via the Department radio that an officer had been shot.

Officer Katradis stated that when the radio call came out with the address of the search
warrant, he immediately knew that it was the building that a female named Emily resided (now
known as Officer Katradis related that he had arrested for
narcotics in the past. Officer Katradis added that he has also responded to the residence regarding
a domestic incident between and her mother.
When Officer Katradis arrived at the location of incident, he observed officers taking cover
behind cars parked in front of the residence. Officer Katradis heard an officer say, "Watch the
windows." Officer Katradis stated that at some point, exited the residence with
her hands up. Officer Katradis heard an officer giving directions as to what to
do. Officer Katradis stated that he observed standing with her hands up near the
doorway. Officer Katradis continued that an unidentified officer grabbed one of
arm. Officer Katradis holstered his weapon and grabbed other
arm. Officer Katradis stated that he and the unidentified officer pulled to the side
and away from the doorway.
Officer Katradis left the immediate area and went inside the residence to assist additional
officers. Officer Katradis related that he did not give verbal directions as other
officers were giving her directions. Officer Katradis could not identify the second officer. Officer
Katradis contended that he pulled away from the doorway because of the
possibility of being shot by someone inside the residence. Officer Katradis did not know if
was the only person inside the residence.
Upon inquiry, Officer Katradis denied pulling down the stairs without
justification. Officer Katradis also denied pulling across the sidewalk. Officer
Katradis stated that he pulled away from the open door of the house due to the

was not given the

possibility of danger. Officer Katradis could not explain why



In his statement to COPA on February 6, 2020, Commander McCrudden stated that on the date and time of the incident he was a lieutenant assigned to the tactical unit in the 025th District. Commander McCrudden related that he was speaking with Captain Bars at the end of his tour when he heard via his radio that an officer had been shot at the location of incident. Commander McCrudden left the 025th District and responded to the location of incident. When Commander McCrudden arrived, was already custody and inside a Department vehicle. Commander McCrudden related that he did not have any physical contact with commander McCrudden added that he observed the EMS Personnel place Officer Cuenca into the ambulance to transport him to the hospital.

Commander McCrudden related that he spoke with Sgt. Ramos and Chief O'Donnell while at the scene. Commander McCrudden explained that he walked through the apartment with Chief O'Donnell and one of the officers pointed out that there was a shell casing on the floor. Commander McCrudden added that he was mainly at the scene for support. Commander McCrudden related that eventually he left the scene and reported to the area. Commander McCrudden stated that while at the area he observed several other unidentified Department members reviewing BWC footage related to the incident. Commander McCrudden explained that he did not know to whom the BWC belonged to, but he watched the footage as well.

Commander McCrudden explained that the process in which he took to approve the TRR's were to check to make sure that the TRR is filled out completely. Commander McCrudden stated that he reviewed the TRR's to make sure that the boxes were check and that the officer made a statement. Upon inquiry, Commander McCrudden that he would review BWC to compare what's written versus what was seen depending on the incident.

Commander McCrudden related that prior to approving the TRR's he spoke with Lieutenant Siwek and Officer Valdez. Commander McCrudden stated that Lt. Siwek and Officer Valdez basically informed him that they approached the rear door of the location of incident, knocked and announced. There was a shot fired through the door and then Officer Cuenca dropped

the ram. Officer Valdez mentioned that he brought the shield up to protect Officer Cuenca and other officers brought a first aid kit.

exited the front of the building and was placed into custody. The officers never breached the door. Upon inquiry, Commander McCrudden stated that he did not recall observing Officer Cuenca strike the door with the ram prior to knocking and announcing. Commander McCrudden related that he only watched the BWC of an unidentified officer one time. Commander McCrudden added that if he had seen Officer Cuenca strike the door first, he would have had the Department members clarify their narratives. (Att's. #87, 122)

b. Digital Evidence

According to the BWC of Officer Batista, Officer Batista was the rear passenger of a vehicle. At 0:29 of the BWC footage, Officer Batista exited the vehicle and proceeded to walk into a yard and up the stairs. There appeared to be approximately three officers ahead of Officer Batista. At 0:55 Officer Grazziano gave directions for someone to knock. At 0:56 Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram. Several officers then stated, "Chicago Police, search warrant." Knocking is heard. At 1:00 Officer Cuenca began striking the door with the ram. Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram five (5) times and fell to the ground after striking the door with the ram on the 5th time. At 1:15, Officer Batista is asked Officer Cuenca if he was hit. Officer Cuenca responded that he didn't know where he was hit and informed Officer Batista that he could not move. Other officers in the background are heard calling out, "help and cover." At 6:12 a plain clothes officer opens the rear door from the inside. At 9:09 the EMS arrived and transported Officer Cuenca to the hospital. Officer Batista turned off his BWC at 12:53 as Officer Cuenca was being placed inside the ambulance. (Att. #26)

According to the BWC of Officer Cabrera, Officer Cabrera was the front passenger of a vehicle. At 0:30 of the BWC footage, Officer Cabrera exited the vehicle and proceeded to walk into a yard and up the stairs. Officer Cabrera appeared to be the fifth officer in line (standing on the steps). At 0:55 Officer Cuenca can be seen, briefly, striking the door with the ram. The remaining footage of the BWC is similar to Officer Batista's BWC. (Att. #27)

According to the BWC of Officer Cuenca, Officer Cuenca was the front passenger of a vehicle. At 0:24 of the BWC footage, Officer Cuenca exited the vehicle and proceeded to walk into a yard and up the stairs. Officer Cuenca was 1st in line. It appeared that Officer Cuenca was holding an object with both hands as he walked up to the second floor. Officer Grazziano gave instructions to knock, and Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram. Officer Valdez was standing next to Officer Cuenca with a shield. Officer Valdez told Cuenca to hold on. Officer Valdez knocked on the door and the officers began stating, "Chicago Police, search warrant." After the fifth strike to the door, Officer Cuenca fell to the ground. Officer Cuenca stated that he couldn't move. Officer Cuenca told Officer Batista to watch the window. Officer Cuenca's camera ended at 12:36 and did not depict any additional information. (Att. #28)

According to the BWC of Officer Garza, Officer Garza was the driver of a vehicle. At 0:30 of the BWC footage, Officer Garza exited the vehicle and proceeded to walk into a yard and up the stairs. Officer Garza appears to be behind Officer Cabrera. At 0:57 a loud noise is heard (no visual of Officer Cuenca striking the door with the ram). Then knocking is heard along with officers announcing, "Chicago Police, search warrant." At 1:00 Officer Cuenca is seen striking the door five times and then falling to the floor. Officer Garza moved backwards down the steps. Officer Garza's camera terminated at 17:21 and did not depict any additional information. (Att. #29)

According to the BWC of Officer Kuc, Officer Kuc was the rear passenger of a vehicle. At 0:16 of the BWC footage, Officer Kuc exited the vehicle and proceeded to walk into a yard and up the stairs. Officer Kuc's camera did not have a visual of the officers who were breaching the door. Officer Kuc was further back in the line. Prior to hearing the officers announce the officer, a loud noise is heard. (Att. #30)

Officer Muraarsheed appeared to be at the rear of the line. The noise of knocking can be heard. There is no visual of the officers' actions. At approximately 0:33 of the BWC footage, a loud noise is heard, and Officer Muraarsheed appeared to be retreating down the stairs. Officer Muraarsheed ran to the front of the building with his weapon in his hand. Officer Muraarsheed took cover behind a tree in front of the building. At 4:48 of the BWC the front door of the building opened and Officer Muraarsheed along with other officers on the scene gave directions to put her hands up and get on the ground. Was placed in handcuffs by two other Department members. Upon inquiry, informed the officers that she had come from the second floor and that she was the only person. Officer Muraarsheed ran back to the rear of the building where the officers were still attempting to render aide. The officers began clearing the alley to make room for the ambulance. At 09:49 the dispatcher informed the officers via radio that the suspect was in custody. At 12:30 of the BWC footage officers were informed to turn off their camera and that the scene was secured. (Att. 31)

Sgt. Ramos' BWC view was obstructed by his outer garment. At 0:28 of BWC footage, Sgt. Ramos exited the vehicle and entered the rear yard. At 0:50 of the BWC footage, Sgt. Ramos is heard informing the dispatcher that he and his team were executing a search warrant at the location of incident. In the background a loud knocking noise can be heard, along with the Department members announcing, "Chicago Police, search warrant." At approximately 1:17 of the BWC footage, Sgt. Ramos appeared to be running down the stairs and towards the front of the building while on the Department radio calling for a "10-1." Sgt. Ramos requested an ambulance and reported that an officer was shot. Sgt. Ramos returned to the rear of the building and asked what was going on. Sgt. Ramos reported via his Department radio that they had not made entry and that they had an officer down. At 2:50 Sgt. Ramos was informed that Officer Cuenca had been shot. Sgt. Ramos requested additional units and informed them to take cover (watching the windows). At 6:18 an officer exited the rear door of the apartment. At approximately 12:00 Sgt. Ramos entered the apartment. Sgt. Ramos appeared to be searching for weapon. Sgt. Ramos then

exited the residence and spoke with another Department member outside regarding the search warrant and the attempt to execute the warrant. (Att. #32)

According to the BWC of Officer Renteria, Officer Renteria was the driver of a vehicle. At 0:27 of the BWC footage, Officer Renteria exited the vehicle and grabbed some materials from the rear of the vehicle. Officer Renteria was on the 1st floor landing with no visual of the attempts of entry. At 0:57 a loud noise consistent with the ram striking the door could be heard. "Chicago Police, search warrant" is then heard. At approximately 1:13 Officer Renteria proceeded to run down the stairs of the rear porch. Officer Renteria appeared to have run for cover. Officer Renteria used his Department radio to request assistance and informed dispatch that an officer had been shot. At 5:57 of the BWC footage Beat 2560 announced via the radio that the female offender was in custody. At 7:07 Officer Renteria entered a Department vehicle and moved it out of the alley. (Att. #33)

Officer Valdez' BWC had an obstructed view as he was holding the shield. Upon arrival at the scene, it appears that Officer Valdez is the second person in line. Officer Cuenca can be seen walking in front of Valdez and holding the ram with two hands. At 0:57 a female voice stated "knock." Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram. Officer Valdez stated, "Hold on." Knocking on the door can be heard and the officers stated, "Chicago Police, search warrant." Officer Cuenca then struck the door five additional times. During the process of striking the door the fifth time, Officer Cuenca fell to the floor, and everyone started asking what had occurred. Officer Valdez unholstered his weapon and proceeded to provide shielding to Officer Cuenca and the remaining officers on the porch. Officer Valdez' BWC footage depicted no additional relevant information. (Att. #34)

According to the BWC of Officer Ciach, Officer Ciach was the driver of a vehicle. At 1:00 of the BWC footage Officer Ciach exited the vehicle. At 2:08 of the BWC footage, Officer Ciach approached the scene with his weapon in his right hand. At approximately 2:30 an officer is heard stating, "The house is clear." An unknown officer is heard knocking on a door that appears to be the entry door to the 1st floor, while announcing "Chicago Police.". At 3:23 of the BWC, Officer Ciach began kicking on the door. At approximately 3:40 of BWC footage, an unidentified plainclothes officer began kicking the door with Officer Ciach. At approximately 3:43 the door was breached, and the officers entered the residence and began announcing "Chicago Police." The officers appeared to be checking to see if there were any additional people in the building. At approximately 5:25 of the BWC, Officer Ciach exited the residence. At approximately 7:06 of the BWC, Officer Ciach and his partner left to scene to assist in blocking off the streets with their assigned vehicle. (Att. #106)

According to the BWC of Officer Jadou, Officer Jadou was the passenger of a vehicle. At 0:30 of the BWC footage Officer Jadou exited the vehicle. Officer Jadou and his partner approached the residence and walked up the front porch steps. At approximately 0:55 of the BWC footage, a loud "bang" noise is heard. Voices are heard immediately after. There were five

additional "bang" noises with an amplified noise on the fifth strike. At approximately 1:33 of the BWC footage, several Department members approached the front of the building and instructed Officer Jadou and his partner to take cover and watch the windows.

Officer Jadou took cover behind a vehicle at 1:55 of the BWC. At approximately 5:17, Officer Jadou is heard stating words to the effect of, "On the ground. Hands on the ground. Let

me see your hands." At 5:23 Officer Jadou approached the gate and stairs to the building. At approximately 5:32 Emily was on her knees at the top of the steps. And Officer Jadou grabbed her and pulled her down the stairs. Officer Jadou pulled way from the entrance and proceeded to handcuff her.
Upon inquiry, stated that no one else was inside the residence and that she came from the second floor. stated words to the effect of, "They tried to break into my house, did you guys get them?" An officer stated that the police were coming into the house. stated, "You guys? Oh."
Officer Jadou walked up the stairs and entered the 2 nd floor apartment. Various officers are seen walking around the 2nd floor apartment and appeared to be searching for something. Officer Jadou announced that he was in possession of phone. (Att. #107)
According to the BWC of Officer Kukielka, Officer Kukielka was the driver of a vehicle At 2:00 of the BWC Officer Kukielka exited his vehicle and ran to the location of incident. Officer Kukielka informed the officers at the scene that had a rifle inside her residence and stated that he has dealt with her before. At approximately 3:19 of the BWC Officer Kukielka identified the female on the front porch as were directing to show her hands and get on the ground. Several officers including Officer Kukielka began moving closer towards who was standing on the front porch. Several officers appeared to have pulled down the steps while Officer Kukielka stood on the side of the wrought iron gate. Officer Kukielka did not have any physical contact with (Att. #108)
According to the BWC of Officer Negrete, Officer Negrete was the passenger of a vehicle. At 1:57 of the BWC Officer Negrete exited the vehicle and approached the location of incident. Officer Negrete informed other officers at the scene that had a shotgund down the stairs. Several officers handcuffed while Officer Negrete entered the 2 nd Floor to assist in clearing the residence. Officers are observed attempting to render aid to Officer Cuenca. Officer Negrete's BWC depicted no additional relevant information. (Att. #109)

According to the BWC of Officer Strizel, Officer Strizel was the driver of a vehicle. At 2:04 Officer Strizel exited his vehicle and approached the location of incident. At 2:55 of the video, is seen exiting the door and instructed to get on the ground. complied and an officer grabbed arm and pulled her down the stairs.

Several officers handcuffed while Officer Strizel along with several other officers entered the door to the 2nd floor residence. Officer Strizel's BWC depicted no additional relevant information. (Att. #110)

According to the BWC of Officer Torres-Alvarez, Officer Torres-Alvarez was the passenger of the vehicle. At 0:32 of the BWC Officer Torres-Alvarez exited the vehicle and approached the location of incident. As Officer Torres-Alvarez approached the location an unidentified officer notified several unidentified officers that the house is clear and that it was the 2nd floor. The unidentified officers were knocking on the door to the 1st floor. Via the Department radio, the scene had been reported as secure as the group of unidentified officers were knocking on the door of the 1st floor. At 2:42 of the BWC, an unidentified officer is seen kicking on the door of the 1st floor apartment. At 2:58 of the BWC, a second unidentified officer is seen kicking on the door of the 1st floor apartment. At approximately 3:01 both officers are seen kicking the door of the 1st floor apartment. At approximately 3:18 Officer Torres-Alvarez entered the 1st floor apartment with the other officers. Cleared the 1st floor apartment and left the scene. (Att. #111)

According to the BWC of Officer Katradis, Officer Katradis was on scene and appeared to be "taking cover" behind a marked police vehicle. At 1:07 of the BWC, was seen on her knees on the front porch with her hands raised in the air. A uniformed officer grabbed by her arm and proceeded to pull down the stairs. Officer Katradis assisted by grabbing arm and pulling her down the stairs and onto the sidewalk. Officer Katradis then ran up the stairs to the 2nd floor apartment. Officer Katradis along with another officer entered the apartment to check for additional people. Officer Katradis and the additional officer notified the police on the rear porch with Officer Cuenca, that had been taken into custody. After clearing the 2nd floor apartment, Officer Katradis exited and entered to 1st floor apartment to assist in clearing the building. After clearing the 1st floor, Officer Katradis exited the building and left the scene. (Att. #112)

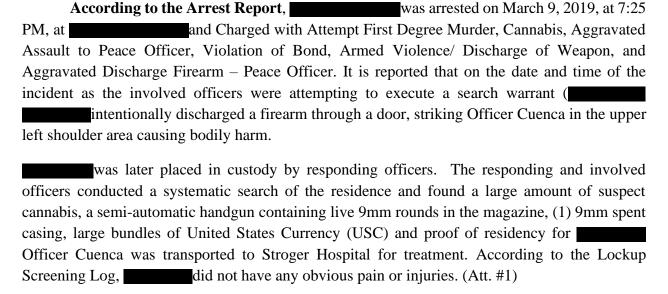
According to the BWC of Officer Fine, Officer Fine was the driver of a vehicle. Officer Fine arrived at the location of incident and stood on the front porch. At approximately 0:56 of the BWC a loud noise is heard, followed by loud voices. Five additional loud noises can be heard followed by loud voices. Officer Fine's BWC depicted the same information as his partner, Officer Jadou. At Approximately 5:53 of the BWC, Officer Fine along with other officers entered the stairway to the 2nd floor apartment. Upon entry, Officer Fine looked around the apartment. At 9:31 of the BWC, Officer Fine exited the 2nd Floor apartment. Officer Fine's BWC depicted no additional relevant information. (Att. #113)

According to the BWC of Officer Coon, Officer Coon approached the location of incident. Stood near the ambulance as the EMS personnel arrived in the alley. At approximately 1:42 of the BWC, Officer Coon approached the front of the residence. An officer was seen kicking the door of the 1st floor apartment. At approximately 2:03 of the BWC, two officers were seen

kicking the door of the 1st floor apartment. At approximately 2:08 of the BWC Officer Coon along with other officers entered the 1st floor of the building. At approximately 3:00 of the BWC, the 1st floor apartment was declared to be clear. Officer Coon exited the 1st floor apartment. Officer Coon's BWC depicted no additional relevant information. (Att. #114)

There was no BWC footage found for Officer Grazziano. (Att. #35)

c. Documentary Evidence



According to the Case Report and Case Supplementary Reports (RD #JC179638) on March 9, 2019, Detective Adrian Garcia arrived at the location of incident and obtained a summary of the incident from Sgt. Perez. Detective Garcia learned that the 25th district tactical team arrived at the location of incident to execute a search warrant. While at the rear door, the officers knocked and announced their office and informed the occupant(s) that a search warrant was being executed. After several strikes to the door, Officer Cuenca collapsed on the 2nd floor porch, stating that he had been shot. Assisting officers called a 10-1, officer shot (officer down, need assistance) and an ambulance for Officer Cuenca. Cuenca was rushed to Cook County Hospital after the scene was secured.

Detective Garcia reported that Lieutenants Siwek, and Zodo were interviewed regarding the circumstances of the incident. Also interviewed were Officers Batista, Cabrera, Grazziano, Murarsheed, Renteria, Valdez, Kuc, Garza, Fine, Jadou, Mendez and Susan Riley. Detective Garcia reported that (ERI), and were also interviewed regarding the circumstances surrounding the incident.

During an interview with Detective Williams, Officer Valdez related that on the date and time of the incident, he was assigned to Beat 2561D and had prepared to execute a search warrant at the locations of incident. Officer Valdez related that he was the "ballistic shield" officer

and was the second officer in line as the team approached the 2nd floor rear exterior door. Officer Valdez related that he knocked hard on the rear door and yelled "Chicago Police search warrant." Officer Valdez stated that he moved to the side with the "ballistic shield" to allow Officer Cuenca access to the door with the "ram."

Officer Valdez related that Officer Cuenca struck the rear door with the "ram" several times and then fell to the ground. Valdez related that he asked Officer Cuenca if he was okay, but Officer Cuenca did not respond. Valdez related that once he realized that Officer Cuenca had been shot, he notified the other officers at the scene.

Officer Valdez covered the window with the ballistic shield, illuminated the light on the ballistic shield and his weapon in attempt to locate the shooter. Officer Valdez related that he was unable to see the shooter. Officer Valdez then covered the rear door with the "ballistic shield" while Officer Bautista checked on Officer Cuenca. Officer Valdez stated that while covering the door, he observed a bullet hole in the rear door.

Officer Valdez related that at some point the additional units arrived along with an ambulance. Officer Valdez stated that when the additional units arrived, he entered the residence and conducted a search of the premises. Officer Valdez related that he observed a spent shell casing on the ground in front of the bathroom. Valdez added that directly across from the bathroom was another bedroom. Valdez observed a semi-handgun on a table inside the said bedroom. Valdez stated that he did not observe the offender inside the apartment.

During her interview with Detective Rooney, Officer Grazziano essentially provided the same information as Officer Valdez. Officer Grazziano added that when she was behind Officers Cuenca and Valdez while walking up the rear staircase of the residence. Officer Grazziano related that when she reached the landing of the second floor, she heard one of the officers knocks on the rear door. Officer Grazziano stated that she and other officers announced, "Chicago Police, search warrant." Officer Grazziano related that Officer Cuenca struck the door three to four times before he collapsed. Officer Grazziano added that she did not hear the gun shot. Officer Grazziano related that she guarded the door for a short period of time, but later ran downstairs and towards the front of the building.

During his interview with Detective Rooney, Officer Batista essentially provided the same information as Officer Valdez. Officer Batista related that Officers Cuenca, Valdez and Grazziano were ahead of him as his walked up the stairs. Officer Batista stated he was standing on the 2nd floor landing; Officer Valdez was holding the ballistic shield while standing to the right of Officer Cuenca. Officer Grazziano was standing behind Officer Cuenca slightly to his left.

Officer Batista related that member of the breach team knocked on the rear door and announced, "Chicago Police, search warrant," several times. Officer Cuenca struck the door approximately four to five times with the ram without successfully breeching the door. Officer Batista stated that at the same time of the final strike of the ram, he heard a loud gun shot and

observed Officer Cuenca immediately fall to the ground. Officer Batista turned his attention to Officer Cuenca to access his injuries and render aid. Officer Batista assisted in placing gauze on the wound after he found where Officer Cuenca was shot. Batista stated that at some point a police officer exited from inside the apartment and the scene appeared to be secure. Officer Batista added that he remained with Officer Cuenca on the 2nd floor landing until responding Chicago Fire Department personnel arrived and he accompanied Officer Cuenca in the responding ambulance.

During his interview with Detective Rooney, Officer Cabrera essentially related the same information as Officer Valdez. Officer Cabrera stated that he observed Officer Cuenca ahead of him with the ram, Officer Batista was ahead of him on the 2nd floor landing and Officer Garza was behind him on the staircase. Officer Cabrera related that he heard one strike of the ram to the door and knocks on the door simultaneously as the officers yelled, "Chicago Police, search warrant."

Officer Cabrera stated that he observed Officer Cuenca strike the door with the ram four to five times. After the final time, he observed Officer Cuenca fall to the ground on the 2n floor landing. Officer Cabrera stated that he backed up a couple of steps down the stairs to take cover and observed Officer Cuenca was not moving while on the floor. Officer Cabrera related that he yelled down to the other officers to call a "10-1" on the radio. At some point, Officer Cabrera walked up to the 2nd floor landing and obtained Officer Valdez' medical kit. Officer Cabrera related that he and Officer Batista rendered aid to Officer Cuenca until the Chicago Fire Department personnel arrived.

During his interview with Detective Martorano, Officer Jamal Murarsheed related that he and his partner, Officer Tenteria, were assisting the 025th District tactical team with executing a search warrant at the location of incident. Officer Murarsheed stated that he was in the middle of the stack positioned near the 1st floor landing. Murarsheed continued that he heard the officers on the 2nd floor knock and announce their office. Murarsheed stated that he heard the ram hit the door three to four times and then observed Officer Cuenca hit the ground. Murarsheed heard the officers calling "10-1." Murarsheed added that he never heard the gunshot but believed that the shot was fired simultaneously when the ram was hitting the door.

Officer Murarsheed stated that he relocated to the front of the building. While in front of the building, Officer Murarsheed observed (subject of the warrant) looking out the 2nd floor window. Officer Murarsheed related that approximately a minute later, he observed exit the front door of the building accompanied by a dog. Officer Murarsheed related that upon inquiry, stated that she was alone in the 2nd floor apartment. Once was placed into custody, Officer Murarsheed turned his attention to Officer Cuenca.

During his interview with Detective Martorano, Officer Marco Renteria essentially related the same information as Officer Murarsheed. Officer Renteria added that he did not witness

Officer Cuenca being shot or falling to the ground. Officer Renteria added that he exited the porch and gained cover behind the garage. Officer Renteria remained behind the garage until he heard via radio that was in custody. Officer Renteria then turned his attention to Officer Cuenca.

During her interview with Detective Balodimas, Officer Maria Kuc related that she was at the location of the incident to execute a search warrant. Officer Kuc state that she went up the rear stairs and stopped on the landing between the first and second. Officer Kuc heard Officer Valdez yell, "Chicago Police Department, search warrant," two times. Officer Kuc observed Officer Cuenca attempting to breach the door but was met with negative results.

Officer Kuc observed everyone on the 2nd floor stepping down the stairs and observed Officer Cuenca lying on the porch not moving. Officer Kuc then heard Officer Danien call a "10-1" and call for an ambulance. Officer Kuc provided cover and safety for the officers on the second floor until help arrived.

During his interview with Detective Brown, Officer Alberto Garza essentially related that he was the fifth officer in line with Officers Grazziano and Batista ahead of him. Officer Garza heard one loud knock and then someone yell "Chicago Police, search warrant." Officer Garza heard the ram hit the door four to five times and did not hear the gunshot. Officer Garza heard team members call for help. Officer Garza observed Officer Batista attempting to help Officer Cuenca as Officer Valdez placed the shield in front of the rear door.

Officer Garza went downstairs and moved the squad car and returned to the rear of the building. Officer Garza stated that he looked up and observed a female in a black shirt through the 2nd floor window, who appeared to be talking on the phone. Officer Garza provided cover and help for Officer Cuenca. Officer Garza heard that the offender was in custody.

During his interview with Detective Sznura, Officer Rigoberto Fine stated that he and Officer Jadou were assigned to the front of the building. Officer Fine stated that he heard three to four bangs in the rear of the residence. Fine stated that after a short time he heard the tactical officers call for an ambulance to the location and then heard, "officer shot." Officer Fine observed a tactical officer run from the rear of the building to the front and instructed Fine and Jadou to take cover.

Fine stated that a couple of minutes later a female exited the residence from the front door. Fine stated that the female was very calm and had a cell phone in her hand. Fine related that the female was taken into custody. Fine then went into the 2nd floor to clear the apartment.

During his interview with Detective Cygnar, Officer George Jadou essentially related the same information of Officer Fine. Jadou added that when the female exited the apartment building, he approached her, ordered her to the ground and handcuffed her. Officer Jadou related that the female stated, "Someone is trying to break into my house, did you get them?"

Officer Jadou handcuffed to a female officer and assisted with clearing the 2nd floor apartment. Officer Jadou stated that when he entered the apartment, he did not hear any loud music or television playing and observed a leafy substance, suspect cannabis, on the table in the apartment.

During his interview with Detective Bebe, Officer Alfredo Mendez stated that he was working a marked patrol vehicle, Beat 1433, with his partner, Officer Riley. Officer Mendez heard a "10-1" (Officer needs assistance) call over the zone radio and immediately relocated to the location of incident. Officer Mendez stated upon arrival he communicated with the officers on scene. Officer Mendez related that he later observed a female "plain clothes" officer with a female offender in custody. Officer Mendez added that the female offender was placed in the rear of his assigned vehicle. Officer Mendez was eventually directed to transport the female offender to the Area North Detective Division. Officer Mendez stated that the female offender remained quiet during the transport.

During her interview with Detective Bebe, Officer Suzan Riley essentially related the same information as Officer Mendez. Officer Riley added that when she arrived at the location of incident, the officers on scene directed her attention to the 2nd floor apartment. Officer Riley stated that she observed the offender, with her hair up, wearing a black t-shirt, looking out of the window. Officer Riley related that at some point she returned to her assigned vehicle and observed Officer Mendez and the offender sitting in her assigned vehicle. Officer Riley added that she observed the offender as the same person whom she had previously observed in the 2nd floor window upon her arrival.

Officer Riley stated that eventually she was directed to transport the offender to the Area North Detective Division. Officer Riley added that the offender remained quiet during the transport. Upon arrival to the Area North Detective Division, Officer Riley performed a custodial search of which yielding \$950 USC from rear pants pocket. Detective Beebe witnessed Officer Riley place the case recovered from in a paper bag to be held in original form and inventoried.

During his interview with Detective Martorano, Lt. Jeff Siwek related that he was the supervising officer for the execution of the search warrant at the location of incident. Lt. Siwek related that he was in the "middle of the stack" on the 1st floor landing of the exterior exposed porch. Lt. Siwek stated that he heard the entry officers knocking on the rear door and announcing their office. Lt. Siwek related that he heard "the ram" hit the door approximately three to four times when he observed Officer Cuenca fall to the ground. Lt. Siwek related that Officer Cuenca was the officer assigned to use the ram to make forced entry. Lt. Siwek stated that he did not hear a gunshot because the sound of the ram and heard several officers yelling "10-1" and he's hit.

Lt. Siwek exited the stairwell and retreated for cover to the west alley. Lt. Siwek added that while in the west alley, he observed looking out the 2nd floor window facing

building. Lt. Siwek stated that when he relocated to the front of the building, he observed being placed into custody. Once was placed in custody, Lt. Siwek turned his attention to aiding Officer Cuenca.
During his interview with Detective Cygnar, Lt. Nick Zodo related that he had been in the 14 th District Station when he heard a call of a "10-1 officer shot" over the radio. Lt. Zodo responded the location of incident, approached the building, and observed exist the building via the front door with a dog. Lt. Zodo assisted officers placing custody. Lt. Zodo, along with other officers, walked up to the second floor to clear the apartment of any threats. While going toward the back door Lt. Zodo observed a fired cartridge casing or the floor near the bathroom. Lt. Zodo opened the rear door and observed numerous officers on the rear porch along Officer Cuenca who was laying on the floor of the porch.
During her interview with Detectives Adams and Beebe, stated that she was in that apartment alone, in her bedroom on the date and time of the incident. Stated that he heard noise coming from the back door of the apartment and grabbed a gun because she was afraid of being burglarized. Stated that she called 911 to inform the police of "shots fired" after firing the gun at the back door. Stated that when she left the apartment, she left the gun behind.
After Detectives Adams and Beebe provided with a break, attorney, Stefan Fenner, arrived and spoke with refused to answer any additional questions after speaking with Attorney Fenner.
During her interview with Detective Torres, identified herself as mother. stated that she received a notification from her home alarm company on her cellular phone and a phone call from related that informed her that someone was trying added that the call was disconnected, and she had not spoken to after the phone call. Detective Torres added that during the interview started talking on her cellular phone and informed someone that should them." After the phone conversation, refused to answer any additional questions but agreed to go the Area North Detective Division.
During his interview with Detective Munyon, present) identified himself as father. stated received a phone call from related that he and left the mall and drove to the location of incident stated that he was not aware of possessing a handgun.
During his interview Detective Munyon, The second secon

estranged from and has very little interaction with
related that he received two phone calls from the alarm company regarding
alarm activation at the location of incident. Stated that he called his mother Kathy Flores, who informed him that someone had been shot at the location of incident. Sr. were not at the location of incident or
the date and time in question. The related that he went to the location of incident to lock up the property. (Att's. $\#$'s 2, 3, 5, 98 – 100, 115)
According to the Chicago Police Department Search Warrant Package, Officer Grazziano received an approved search warrant in which and her residence was the subject of the search warrant. It is reported that on March 8, 2019, Officer Grazziano spoke with an individual (who related that brought prought into the 2 nd floor apartment from the rear entrance of the apartment. While inside the residence, asked if he wanted to purchase cannabis "Kush." replied by saying yes. had wait near the rear door of the apartment. walked to the front bedroom and reappeared with a large black backpack. stated to Officer Grazziano that opened the large back and removed several different sizes of zip-lock bags from the blackbackpack that contained cannabis and sold it to for an amount of money. At some point informed that she always has "Kush" referring to the cannabis.
Officer Grazziano drove past the location of the incident, at which time positively identified the location of incident as the same residence where was with and purchased cannabis from Officer Grazziano entered name into the Chicago Police Department Data Warehouse and was able to retrieve photograph of Officer Grazziano showed the photograph to who identified the picture as
Officer Grazziano was listed as the affiant of the search warrant. Officer Cuenca was the breech officer. Officers Kuc, Graza, Renteria and Cabrera were listed as the entry officers. Office Cesar Valdez was listed as the evidence supervisor. Officers Batista and Murasheed were listed as the perimeter officers. Sgt. Ivan Ramos was listed as the search warrant team supervisor and supervising sergeant. (4, 5)
According to the Tactical Response Report (TRR) completed by Lt. Jeffrey Siwek, or behalf of Officer Andres Cuenca, fled, was an imminent threat of battery with a weapon, physical attack with weapon and used force likely to cause death or great bodily harm with a semi-auto pistol. It is reported that while serving a search warrant (force knocked and announced their office and search warrant. After no response, Officer Cuenca was attempting to gain entry to the rear apartment door by using a ram.
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the door, striking Officer Cuenca in the upper left shoulder. No force was used by Officer Cuenca. (Att. #40)

According to the TRR completed by Officer Valdez, fled, was an imminent threat of battery with weapon, physical attack with weapon and used force likely to cause death or great bodily harm with a semi-auto pistol. Officer Valdez responded with member presence, movement to avoid attack, tactical positioning, and additional unit members. Officer Valdez' response with weapons was a ballistic shield. It is reported that Officer Valdez was serving a search warrant (# with Beat 2561 and 2565 Tactical Team. Officer Valdez arrived at the rear porch and the address of incident while in possession of a handheld ballistic shield. Officer Valdez approached the rear door, knocked, announced office, and announced search warrant. After no immediate response from within the house, Officer Valdez provided cover with the handheld shield. Officer Valdez observed Officer Cuenca begin to attempt to breach the door with a door breaching tool. As Officer Cuenca struck the door numerous times, Officer Cuenca abruptly fell to the ground. Officer Valdez determined that Officer Cuenca sustained a gunshot wound. Officer Valdez the moved to provide shielding for Officer Cuenca with the handheld ballistic shield. After the failed door entry, Officer Valdez observed an apparent bullet exit hole on the rear door. Officer Valdez was later informed by other officers on the scene that fled from the front door and was taken into custody. (Att. #41)

According to the Department reports, several documents, suspect narcotics, and a weapon were retrieved from residence and inventoried. Photographs of several officers and the residence of were also taken. (Att's. #4, 5, 6 - 12)

According to the Office of Emergency Management and Communications (OEMC) event queries and transmissions, "an officer shot" was reported on March 9, 2019, at 7:18 PM, at Avenue, 2nd Floor, with the offender still inside. Several Department members responded. It was reported that a female was in custody at 7:23 PM. Officer Cuenca was transported to Stroger Hospital via Ambulance 44. was transported to Area North by Beat 1433. (Att's. #13 – 19, 50 – 60)

VI. LEGAL STANDARD

For each Allegation COPA must make one of the following findings:

- 1. <u>Sustained</u> where it is determined the allegation is supported by a preponderance of the evidence;
- 2. <u>Not Sustained</u> where it is determined there is insufficient evidence to prove the allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- 3. <u>Unfounded</u> where it is determined by clear and convincing evidence that an allegation is false or not factual; or

4. <u>Exonerated</u> - where it is determined by clear and convincing evidence that the conduct descried in the allegation occurred, but it is lawful and proper.

A **preponderance of evidence** can be described as evidence indicating that it is **more likely than not** that the conduct reviewed complied with Department policy. *See Avery v. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co.*, 216 Ill. 2d 100, 191 (2005), (a proposition is proved by a preponderance of the evidence when it has found to be more probably true than not). If the evidence gathered in an investigation establishes that it is more likely that the conduct complied with Department policy than that it did not, even if by a narrow margin, then the preponderance of the evidence standard is met.

Clear and convincing evidence is a higher standard than a preponderance of the evidence but lower than the "beyond-a-reasonable doubt" standard required to convict a person of a criminal offense. See *e.g.*, *People v. Coan*, 2016 IL App (2d) 151036 (2016). Clear and Convincing can be defined as a "degree of proof, which, considering all the evidence in the case, produces the firm and abiding belief that it is highly probable that the proposition . . . is true." *Id.* at ¶ 28.

VII. ANALYSIS

COPA finds that **Allegation #1** against **Officer Andres Cuenca** be **Unfounded.** It is alleged that Officer Cuenca attempted to breach a door before knocking and announcing his office during the execution of a search warrant. In his statement to COPA, Officer Cuenca stated that on the date of the incident, he was assigned as a breach officer. Officer Cuenca's duties were to breach the door with the ram. Officer Cuenca explained that he was the first officer at the door while holding the ram with both hands. Officer Cuenca denied attempting to breach the door prior to knocking and announcing his office. Officer Cuenca stated that when he heard someone state, "Knock," he struck the door once with minimal force. Officer Cuenca related that Officer Valdez continued knocking with his fist, while announcing "Chicago Police, search warrant." Officer Cuenca continued that moments later he proceeded striking the door with force to breach the door. Officer Cuenca stated that he was unsuccessful because he was shot by

According to Special Order 04-19, the Knock and Announce Rule and 725 ILCS 5/108-8, Law Enforcement Members will knock and announce their office during the execution of a search warrant. The orders and rules do not specify what tools and/or objects are prohibited to knock. Officer Cuenca explained that he used minimum force of the ram to knock on the door. It should also be noted that Officer Cuenca was unsuccessful in breaching the entry door. Based on the available evidence, Officer Cuenca's actions did not violate Department policies and rules.

COPA finds that **Allegation #1** against **Officer Samantha Grazziano** be **Sustained.** It is alleged that Officer Grazziano failed to activate her body worn camera during the execution of a search warrant in violation of Special Order 03-14, Section III, A. In her statement to COPA Officer Grazziano stated that she tapped her BWC to activate it prior to the execution of the search warrant. Officer Grazziano was also later informed by the Detective's Division that her BWC had not recorded the incident. According to Evidence.com, BWC footage from Officer Grazziano was not located. It is more likely than not that Officer Grazziano failed to activate her BWC during

the incident. Based on the available evidence, Officer Grazziano violated Special Order 03-14, Section III, A, in that she failed to activate her BWC.

COPA finds that **Allegation #1** against **Officer Cesar Valdez** be **Unfounded.** It is alleged that Officer Valdez failed to describe the actions of a Department member prior to breaching a door during the execution of a search warrant, when completing a Tactical Response Report. In his statement to COPA Officer Valdez stated that he did not recall whether Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram prior to him knocking on the door with his fist. Officer Valdez also stated that he did not review his BWC footage prior to completing his TRR. Officer Valdez completed his TRR based on his recollection of the incident. Officer Valdez denied failing to describe the actions of a Department member prior to breaching a door, as Officer Valdez provided a summary of what occurred during the execution of the search warrant. Based on the available evidence, Officer Valdez did not fail to describe the actions of a Department member prior to the execution of a search warrant.

COPA finds that Allegation #1-3 against Sgt. Ivan Ramos be Unfounded. It is alleged that Sgt. Ramos failed to ensure that the Department members adhered to the Knock and Announce Rule, failed to make timely notification impending search warrant execution, and failed to ensure that all Department members were properly using their Body Worn Cameras. In his statement to COPA Sgt. Ramos stated that prior to the execution of the search warrant, there was a team meeting held to provide details and instructions of the search warrant. Sgt. Ramos stated that he directed his team to activate their BWC's and knock and announce. The involved officers who provided statements to COPA corroborated Sgt. Ramos' statement.

Sgt. Ramos also denied failing to make timely notification. Sgt. Ramos' BWC depicted that as the entry team were attempting to breach the door, Sgt. Ramos made notification regarding the search warrant to OEMC via the Department radio. Based on the available evidence, Sgt. Ramos did not violate any Department polices or rules.

COPA finds that **Allegation #4** against **Sgt. Ramos** be **Sustained.** It is alleged that Sgt. Ramos failed to properly use his Body Worn Camera in that Sgt. Ramos' jacket covered the camera lens. In his statement to COPA Sgt. Ramos denied failing to properly use his BWC. Sgt. Ramos' BWC depicted that his jacket obstructed the view of the lens which essentially didn't allow the viewer to observe the actions of involved individuals. Based on the available evidence, Sgt. Ramos failed to ensure that there were no obstructions in the camera lens.

COPA finds that Allegation #1 against Officer Michael Katradis be Exonerated. It is alleged that Officer Katradis pulled Ms. down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification. In his statement to COPA Officer Katradis denied pulling down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification. Officer Katradis explained that an officer had been shot and he had no knowledge as to how many offenders were involved in the incident. Officer Katradis continued that the shooter could have still been inside the residence. Officer Katradis related that lied on the ground and he pulled her away from the area to protect and himself. Officer Katradis added that he did not observe any injuries to nor did complain of any pain or injuries. Based on the available information Officer Katradis did not violate any Department polices or rules.

COPA finds that **Allegation #2** against **Officer Katradis** be **Unfounded.** It is alleged that Officer Katradis failed to activate his body worn camera in a timely manner, in violation of Special Order 03-14, Section III, A. During his statement to COPA Officer Katradis denied failing to activate his BWC in a timely manner. Officer Katradis explained that during the high stressful situation, he turned on his BWC as soon as possible. According to the Department special order, if circumstances prevent activating the BWC at the beginning of an incident, the member will activate the BWC as soon as practical. Based on the available evidence, Officer Katradis did not violate any Department polices or rules.

COPA finds that Allegation #1 against Officer George Jadou be Exonerated. It is alleged that Officer Jadou pulled Ms. down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification. In his statement to COPA Officer Jadou denied pulling down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification. Officer Jadou explained that an officer had been shot and he had no knowledge as to how many offenders were involved in the incident. Officer Jadou added that he had no knowledge as to whether there was a shooter residence. Officer Jadou stated that lied on the ground, and he pulled her away from the line of fire to protect and himself. Officer Jadou added that he did not observe any injuries to nor did complain of any pain or injuries. Based on the available information Officer Jadou did not violate any Department polices or rules.

COPA finds that **Allegations #1 and 2** against **Officer Daniel Ciach** be **Sustained.** It is alleged that Officer Ciach breached the 1st floor of the residence without justification and entered the 1st floor of the residence without justification. In his statement to COPA Officer Ciach denied breaching and entering the 1st floor of the residence without justification. Officer Ciach stated that he was responding to a call in which an officer had been shot. Officer Ciach added that he believed that the building needed to be cleared as he did not know that the offender was in custody. Officer Ciach related that he did not know how many offenders were involved. Upon inquiry, Officer Ciach stated that he did not hear any Department members inform him that the incident was related to the 2nd floor only. Officer Ciach also stated that he did not hear any Department members inform him that the offender was in custody.

The BWC of Officer Torres-Alvarez depicted an unidentified officer informing Officer Ciach and other officers, from a distance, that the building was clear and that it was the second floor. After reviewing the BWC of Officer Torres-Alvarez, Officer Ciach denied hearing that information while on scene. Upon inquiry, Officer Ciach confirmed that he did not have a search warrant and/or permission to breach the door to the 1st floor nor to enter the residence. Based on the available evidence, Officer Ciach's actions were in violation of Department polices and rules.

COPA finds that **Allegation #1** against **Lt. Jeffrey Siwek** be **Unfounded.** It is alleged that Lt. Siwek failed to describe the actions of a Department member prior to breaching a door during the execution of a search warrant, when completing a Tactical Response Report on behalf of Officer Cuenca. In his statement to COPA Lt. Siwek stated that prior to completing the TRR on behalf of Officer Cuenca, he did not speak with Officer Cuenca nor did he review any BWC footage. Lt. Siwek added that he had no knowledge that Officer Cuenca struck the door with the ram prior to anyone using their fists to knock on the door. Lt. Siwek continued that he completed the TRR

based on his recollection of the events. Lt. Siwek added that the narrative is a summary of the events and not a step-by-step explanation of the event. Lt. Siwek denied failing to describe the actions of a Department member prior to breaching a door. Based on the available evidence, Lt. Siwek did not fail to describe the actions of a Department member prior to the execution of a search warrant.

VIII. RECOMMENDED DISCIPLINE FOR SUSTAINED ALLEGATIONS

a. Officer Samantha Grazziano

i. Complimentary and Disciplinary History

Officer Grazziano complimentary history consists of the following; (1) 2019 Crime Reduction Award, (2) Complimentary Letter, (2) Emblem of Recognition-Physical (32) Honorable Mention (1) Unit Meritorious Performance Award. Total of (187) Awards.

Officer Grazziano does not have a disciplinary history as of October 7, 2021. No SPAR's are noted.

COPA recommends Violation noted for Officer Samantha Grazziano.

b. Sgt. Ivan Ramos

i. Complimentary and Disciplinary History

Sergeant Ramos complimentary history consists of the following; (1) 2009 Crime Reduction Award, (1) 2019 Crime Reduction Award, (3) Attendance Recognition Award, (6) Complimentary Letter, (12) Emblem of Recognition-Physical Fitness, (69) Honorable Mention, (1) Joint Operations Award, (1) NATO Summit Service Award, (1) Police Officer of the Month Award, (1) Presidential Election Deployment Award, 2008, (1) Superintendent's Honorable Mention (1) Unit Meritorious Performance Award. Total of (98) Awards.

Sergeant Ramos. does not have a disciplinary history as of October 7, 2021. No SPARs are noted.

COPA recommends a penalty of **Violation Noted** for allegation 4.

c. Officer Daniel Ciach

i. Complimentary and Disciplinary History

Officer Ciach complimentary history consists of the following; (1) 2019 Crime Reduction Award, (5\2) Complimentary Letter, (1) Department Commendation, (4) Emblem of Recognition-Physical Fitness, Honorable Mention, (17), Life Saving Award. Total of (26) Awards.

Officer Ciach does not have a disciplinary history as of October 7, 2021. No SPAR's are noted.

COPA recommends $\underline{\textbf{5 Days Suspension}}$ for the sustained findings of allegations 1 and 2.

IX. CONCLUSION

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

Officer	Allegation	Finding / Recommendation
Officer Andrea Cuenca	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Cuenca committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by, 1. Attempting to breach a door before knocking and announcing his office during the execution of a search warrant.	Unfounded
Officer Samantha Grazziano	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Grazziano committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by, 1. Failing to activate her body worn camera during the execution of a search warrant.	Sustained
Officer Cesar Valdez	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at an unknown time, while at 5555 W Grand Avenue, Officer Valdez committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by, 1. Failing to describe the actions of a Department member prior to breeching a door during the execution of a search warrant, when completing a Tactical Response Report.	Unfounded
Sgt. Ivan Ramos	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Sgt. Ramos committed	

	misconduct through the following acts or omissions by,	
	1. Failing to ensure that the Department members adhered to the Knock and Announce Rule.	Unfounded
	2. Failing to make timely notification impending search warrant execution.	Unfounded
	3. Failing to ensure that all Department members were properly using Body Worn Cameras.	Unfounded
	4. Failing to properly use his Body Worn Camera in that Sgt. Ivan's jacket covered up the camera lens.	Sustained
Officer Michael Katradis	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Katradis committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions, by,	
	1. Pulling Ms. down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification.	Exonerated
	2. Failing to activate his Body Worn Camera in a timely manner.	Unfounded
Officer George Jadou	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Jadou committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by,	
	1. Pulling Ms. down the stairs and across the sidewalk without justification.	Exonerated
Officer Daniel Ciach	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at approximately 7:20 PM, at or near Avenue, Officer Ciach committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by,	
	1.Breeching the first floor of the residence without justification.	Sustained

	2.Entering the first floor of the residence without justification.	Sustained
Lt. Jeffrey Siwek	It is alleged that on March 9, 2019, at an unknown time, while at 5555 W. Grand Avenue, Lt. Siwek committed misconduct through the following acts or omissions by, 1. Failing to describe the actions of a Department	Unfounded
	member prior to breeching a door during the execution of a search warrant, when completing a Tactical Response Report on behalf of Officer Cuenca.	

Approved:

