

**BEFORE A MEMBER OF THE POLICE BOARD
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO**

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISCIPLINE OF	)	
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POLICE OFFICER CURTIS ALEQUIN,	)	Case No. 26 RR 15
STAR No. 10028,	)	
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POLICE OFFICER TYLER ALEXANDER,	)	Case No. 26 RR 16
STAR No. 17587, AND	)	
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POLICE OFFICER KRISADA DAORERK,	)	Case No. 26 RR 17
STAR No. 16422,	)	
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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,	)	(CR No. 2023-3217)
CITY OF CHICAGO.	)	

REQUEST FOR REVIEW

On April 1, 2026, the Executive Director of the Police Board of the City of Chicago received from the Chief Administrator of the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) a request for review of the Chief Administrator's recommendations for discipline of Police Officer Curtis Alequin, Star No. 10028, Police Officer Tyler Alexander, Star No. 17587, and Police Officer Krisada Daorerk, Star No. 16422, arising out of the investigation of Complaint Register No. 2023-3217 ("Request for Review"). The Request for Review included the following material: the Final Summary Report of COPA's investigation that sets forth the Chief Administrator's recommendations for discipline, the Superintendent of Police's written response to the recommendations, the Chief Administrator's written objections to the Superintendent's response, and a Certificate of Meeting and Service.

The investigation stems from an incident at approximately 5:00 p.m. on June 27,

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2023. According to Request for Review material, Officers Alequin, Alexander, and Daorerk were driving eastbound on Flournoy Street in an unmarked CPD vehicle in the 011th Police District. The officers had been briefed on an earlier shooting that day and believed one of the involved shooters might be in the area they were patrolling. Officer Alexander was driving; Officer Alequin occupied the front passenger seat; Officer Daorerk sat in the rear seat behind Officer Alexander.

While driving on Flournoy, the officers observed an unknown man walking westbound near a known gang hangout. The man was wearing black pants, a white t-shirt, and carrying a white backpack. According to Officer Alexander, the man looked toward the unmarked vehicle and began running westbound. Officer Daorerk immediately exited the vehicle and initiated a foot pursuit. Officers Alequin and Alexander remained in the vehicle, made a U-turn, and drove eastbound, trailing Officer Daorerk.

As the unknown man ran westbound toward California Avenue, he crossed into traffic and nearly collided with a northbound pick-up truck. Officer Daorerk, approximately ten feet behind, also nearly struck the pick-up truck. After the truck passed, Officer Daorerk continued the pursuit, but the unknown man had gained a significant lead. The pursuit continued westbound on Flournoy, then north through an undeveloped lot, through an alley, and into the backyard of a multi-unit building at [REDACTED] Street. Officer Alequin had exited the unmarked CPD vehicle and joined the foot pursuit at this point.

Officer Daorerk lost sight of the unknown man in the gangway of [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Officer Alequin radioed that the unknown man had entered the

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apartment building. Resident Shandreia Wilson, who was standing near a car in the alley, told Officer Daorerk directly that no one had entered her home. Nevertheless, Officer Daorerk ascended the rear staircase to the third-floor landing and entered Wilson's apartment through the back door. Wilson again told Officer Daorerk to leave and that no one had entered her apartment. Officer Daorerk continued to search the apartment before departing. The unknown man was never apprehended or identified.

Separately, while Officers Alequin and Alexander were still in the unmarked vehicle, POD camera footage recorded Officer Alexander driving through a crosswalk and over a sidewalk. Pedestrians in the crosswalk were forced to hasten their pace or abruptly halt to avoid being struck.

Following the conclusion of COPA's investigation, Chief Administrator issued recommendations for discipline of Officers Alequin, Alexander, and Daorerk. The Superintendent did not agree with these recommendations and proposed less discipline than the Chief Administrator or no discipline.

The Chief Administrator recommended that the following allegations be *Sustained*:

Officer Alequin:

1. Engaged in and/or continued a foot pursuit of an unknown man without justification; and
2. Failed to complete a Foot/Bicycle Pursuit Report (CPD-11.990) in violation of Chicago Police Department General Order 03-07.

Officer Alexander:

1. Failed to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons.

Officer Daorerk:

1. Entered the residence of Shandreia Wilson without justification;
2. Searched the residence of Shandreia Wilson without justification;
3. Engaged in and/or continued a foot pursuit of an unknown man without

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- justification; and
4. Failed to complete a Foot/Bicycle Pursuit Report (CPD-11.990) in violation of Chicago Police Department General Order 03-07.

The Chief Administrator's recommended that Officers Alequin, Alexander, and Daorerk each be suspended without pay for a period of up to thirty days.

The Superintendent disagreed with the Chief Administrator's recommendations for all three officers. Regarding Officer Alequin, the Superintendent proposed a finding of *Unfounded* for Allegation No. 1, agreed with the finding of *Sustained* for Allegation No. 2, and proposed discipline of a Reprimand. Regarding Officer Alexander, the Superintendent proposed a finding of *Not Sustained* for Allegation No. 1 and no discipline. Regarding Officer Daorerk, the Superintendent proposed a finding of *Unfounded* for Allegation No. 3, agreed with the finding of *Sustained* for Allegation Nos. 1, 2, and 4, and proposed discipline of a five-day suspension.

According to the Certificate submitted by the Chief Administrator: (1) the Chief Administrator issued the recommendation for discipline on January 21, 2025; (2) the Chief Administrator received the Superintendent's written response on April 17, 2025; (3) the Chief Administrator's designees met with the Superintendent's designees and concluded their discussion of this matter on March 27, 2026; and (4) the Request for Review was sent via email to the Executive Director of the Police Board on April 1, 2026.

The Executive Director of the Police Board forwarded the Request for Review material to Cynthia Velazquez, the member of the Police Board who was selected on a random basis, pursuant to Article VI of the Police Board's Rules of Procedure ("Reviewing Member"). The Reviewing Member reviewed the Request for Review

pursuant to Section 2-78-130(a)(iii) of the Municipal Code of Chicago and Article VI of the Police Board's Rules of Procedure. Following her initial review of this matter on April 14, 2026, the Reviewing Member requested, received and reviewed the following items from the investigation file: body-worn camera video recordings, POD video recordings, CPD event query report, and transcripts of COPA interviews with CPD members.

OPINION

Following a thorough review of the Request for Review material and the additional items noted above, it is my opinion that the Superintendent met his burden to overcome the Chief Administrator's recommendations for discipline of all three officers.

Officer Daorerk

It is my opinion that the Superintendent met the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendation for discipline of Officer Daorerk.

Allegation No. 3 – Engaged in and/or continued a foot pursuit of an unknown man without justification.

Officer Daorerk was on extended hours as a result of recent shootings and the conflict with gang members in that area. According to the Chicago Police Department General Order G03-07 "Foot Pursuits," Department members may engage in a foot pursuit when a subject runs unprovoked from the police and there is reasonable articulable suspicion to believe the subject is running because they have committed, are committing, or about to commit a crime. In his statement to COPA, Officer Daorerk stated that there were previous shootings in that area, it was a high crime area, there were guns previously recovered in that area, it was a "gang hangout," and the group

that hangs out there was strongly tied to a recent shooting. COPA states “At the moment of initiation, the only apparent basis was that the unknown subject began running upon observing the officers....” COPA did not take into consideration all of the above factors Officer Daorerk stated in his interview with COPA, factors that contribute to the totality of the circumstances.

COPA states that Officer Daorerk did not reassess the risk of continuing the pursuit; however, during the pursuit it was discovered that the subject was armed with a semi-automatic gun. Although that is a heightened risk to the officer, it is more of a heightened risk to the community, where community members are untrained and unarmed and less able to defend themselves from an armed subject. Officer Daorerk took an Oath to protect the citizens of Chicago; he was upholding that Oath by attempting to apprehend an Offender who was in possession of a semi-automatic weapon.

COPA also identifies an additional risk when Officer Daorerk was separated from officers; however, it was not taken into consideration that there were several back-up officers who responded to the scene. Officer Daorerk was also in constant radio communication with dispatchers. Officer Daorerk also advised of his location and direction of travel, alerting other officers of his location. Factors that CPD considers as reasons not to continue a foot pursuit are: if an officer is injured, is unaware of their location or unable to provide their location, loses their radio, does not believe they would be able to control the subject, or is directed by a supervisor. None of the factors mentioned was present during Officer Daorerk’s foot pursuit.

For the above reasons, I believe Superintendent has met the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendation to sustain Allegation No. 3—Engaged in and/or continued a foot pursuit of an unknown man without justification.

Officer Alequin

It is my opinion that the Superintendent met the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendation for discipline of Officer Alequin.

Allegation #1 – Engaged in and/or continued a foot pursuit of an unknown man without justification.

Officer Alequin did not initiate the foot pursuit; his partner, Officer Daorerk, initiated the foot pursuit. Officer Alequin had an obligation to assist Officer Daorerk, to not leave Officer Daorerk alone in a foot pursuit, and to ensure the safety of Officer Daorerk. According to Chicago Police Department General Order G03-07, Section VIII, "Responsibilities in Foot Pursuits—Working with a Partner":

B. When working with a partner, Department members engaged in a Foot Pursuit:

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2. will work to remain in sight of and maintain communications with their partner. The pursuing Department member should concentrate on the actions of the person being pursued while the partner should concentrate on providing back-up and maintaining communications with assisting Department members.

If Officer Alequin did not assist in the foot pursuit, he would have violated the above provision of General Order G03-07. Officer Alequin was justified in engaging in the foot pursuit to assist his partner, Officer Daorerk.

For the above reasons, I believe Superintendent has met the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendation for discipline for Allegation No. 1—Engaged in and/or continued a foot pursuit of an unknown man without justification.

Officer Alexander

It is my opinion that the Superintendent met the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendation for discipline of Officer Alexander.

Allegation No. 1—Failure to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons.

The allegation above includes "safety of *all* persons" (emphasis added), including the driver, residents, and fellow officers. Officer Alexander was driving, attempting to locate his partners and the subject for the safety the community. In Officer Alexander's statement to COPA, he related he attended a weeklong emergency vehicle operation training course. Officer Alexander's weeklong training goes beyond basic driving, and his training and experience in emergency driving enhance his abilities and capabilities to assess the safety of pedestrians. Additionally, Officer Alexander stated he is concerned with pedestrian safety when he provided a statement to COPA. Driving with due regard for safety does not require absolute perfect circumstances where there are no pedestrians present. Officer Alexander also stated that he conducted the "balancing test" while driving. Officer Alexander was not speeding, the weather conditions were not dangerous, and his ability to maintain control of his vehicle were factors in the safety of his driving. In COPA's final summary report, COPA is not certain Officer Alexander did or did not activate his lights and sirens, stating "...it *appears* in POD footage that Officer Alexander indeed failed to activate his lights and sirens" (emphasis added); however, COPA used it as evidence collected in the investigation.

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For the above reasons, I believe Superintendent has met the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendation to sustain Allegation No. 1—Failure to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons.

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Therefore, pursuant to Section 2-78-130(a)(iii) of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the Superintendent's response to the Chief Administrator's recommendations for discipline of Police Officer Curtis Alequin, Star No. 10028, Police Officer Tyler Alexander, Star No. 17587, and Police Officer Krisada Daorerk, Star No. 16422, shall be implemented.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 20th DAY OF MAY 2026.

CYNTHIA VELAZQUEZ
Member
Police Board

Attested by:

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Executive Director
Police Board