

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	
RECOMMENDATION FOR DISCIPLINE OF	)	
POLICE OFFICER CHRISTINE TAYLOR,	)	Case No. 26 RR 39
STAR No. 13699, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,	)	
CITY OF CHICAGO.	)	(CR No. 2022-0755)

REQUEST FOR REVIEW

On June 10, 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 recommendation for discipline of Police Officer Christine Taylor, Star No. 13699, arising out of the investigation of Complaint Register No. 2022-0755 ("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 recommendation for discipline, the Superintendent of Police's written response to this recommendation, the Chief Administrator's written objections to the Superintendent's response, and a Certificate of Meeting and Service.

According to the Request for Review material, on March 3, 2022, COPA received an initiation report from the 012th District alleging that Officer Taylor had verbally and physically abused [REDACTED] whom Officer Taylor [REDACTED] [REDACTED].

COPA obtained multiple audio recordings of Officer Taylor directing profane

and degrading language at [REDACTED] In several recordings, Officer Taylor repeatedly calls [REDACTED] a “bitch” while berating her. During her audio-recorded statement to COPA, Officer Taylor admitted that she cursed at [REDACTED] as reflected in the recorded voice messages.

Following the conclusion of its investigation, COPA reached findings of *Not Sustained* as to the physical-abuse allegations (Allegation Nos. 1 – 4) for insufficient evidence. The Chief Administrator recommended that the following allegations against Officer Taylor be *Sustained*:

5. On several unspecified dates and times, the accused, Officer Christine Taylor, verbally abused [REDACTED] in that she called her a bitch and/or a hoe; and
6. On unknown dates and times, the accused, Officer Christine Taylor, verbally abused [REDACTED] in that she engaged in name-calling, and/or condescension, and/or degradation, and/or offensive and profane language.

The Chief Administrator recommended that Officer Taylor be suspended without pay for up to 30 days.

The Superintendent disagreed with the Chief Administrator’s recommendation in that he proposed findings of *Unfounded* for Allegation Nos. 5 – 6 and no discipline for Officer Taylor.

According to the Certificate submitted by the Chief Administrator: (1) the Chief Administrator issued the recommendation for discipline on March 15, 2024; (2) the Chief Administrator received the Superintendent’s written response on May 23, 2024; (3) the Chief Administrator’s designees met with the Superintendent’s designees and

concluded their discussion of this matter on June 9, 2026; and (4) the Request for Review was sent via email to the Executive Director of the Police Board on June 10, 2026.

The Executive Director of the Police Board forwarded the Request for Review material to Andreas Safakas, 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 his initial review of this matter on June 19, 2026, the Reviewing Member requested, received and reviewed audio recordings and statements to COPA from the investigation file.

OPINION

Following a thorough review of the Request for Review material and the additional items noted above, it is my opinion that the Superintendent did not meet the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendation for discipline.

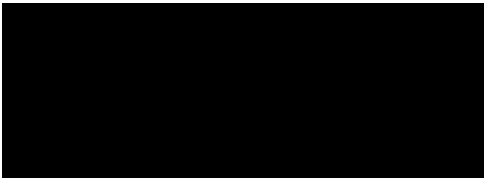
The Superintendent's argument that Officer Taylor's conduct did not violate CPD Rules of Conduct because the situation was a family matter and not related to her police duties is unconvincing. Officer Taylor's actions toward [REDACTED] must have consequences, and the Chief Administrator's recommendation of a suspension of up to

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thirty days is more reasonable and appropriate than Superintendent's proposed disposition.¹

Therefore, pursuant to Section 2-78-130(a)(iii) of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the Chief Administrator's recommendation for discipline of Police Officer Christine Taylor, Star No. 13699, shall be deemed accepted by the Superintendent.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 16th DAY OF JULY 2026.



ANDREAS G. SAFAKAS
Member
Police Board

Attested by:



MAX A. CAPRONI
Executive Director
Police Board

¹ The Chief Administrator also recommended that Officer Taylor be required to complete parenting classes. I agree, and also strongly encourage Officer Taylor to seek counseling for her personal well-being as well as to seek counseling with . Although an employment interruption as a result of a suspension comes at a price, it also affords a rare opportunity for betterment. My recommendation is to use this suspension to enter into counseling immediately. (I am well aware that recommended suspension may be challenged via arbitration, but I encourage Officer Taylor to not delay the commencement of counseling.)