POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Public Case Synopses

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	Outcome	Description
1	Dismissed—Referred	**MPD P&P § 5-105(2) – Professional Code of Conduct** Complainant alleges that two officers refused to allow Complainant to make a citizen's arrest of an individual.
2	Sent to Investigation – Review Panel Recommends No Merit	**MPD P&P § 5-105(5) – Professional Code of Conduct** Complainant alleges he was leaving a parking ramp after a Twins game. Complainant alleges there was an officer directing traffic. Complainant alleges he started moving into the intersection, and the officer started yelling at him. Complainant alleges the officer hit his truck with his fist, leaving a dent. Complainant alleges the office kept yelling at him, and asked him to pull over. Complainant alleges the officer requested his information, but did not ticket him. The Complainant alleges the officer continued to berate him, and the officer was rude.
3	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, No Basis	**MPD P&P § 5-304– Impartial Policing** Complainant alleges he was walking down the street looking for cans, stopped to pick up a garbage can, and was stopped by a squad. Complainant alleges an officer asked him what he was doing. Complainant alleges the officer told him to place his hands on the squad, and spread his legs. Complainant alleges he was patted down by the officer. Complainant alleges the officer removed his wallet and placed it on the hood. Complainant alleges the officer then cuffed him, and pulled the Complainant into the rear of the vehicle while the officer was to obtain his identification. Complainant alleges the officer opened his wallet and rummaged around in it to find the identification, Complainant states the officer told him there had been garage break-ins near the area, and the officer saw the Complainant leaving a garage.
4	Dismissal, Failure to State a Claim	**MPD P&P § 4-602—Report Writing** Complainant alleges that Officers 1 and 2 put down erroneous information in their report. More specifically, Complainant contends that officers pulled him over for a broken day lamp and subsequently cited him for no insurance. Complainant asserts, however, that when citing him the officers failed to put down the correct license plate number, which led to the revocation of his license when he appeared at court with insurance for the same vehicle but with a different listed license number.
5	Sent to Investigation – Dismissed, No Basis	**MPD P&P § 5-301– Use of Force** Complainant states he was sitting in a car when officers approached. Complainant alleges he told the officers he had a firearm in the car, and a permit to carry. Complainant alleges an officer opened the door, pulled him out, slammed him against the car, and handcuffed him. Complainant alleges when he asked the officer what was going on he was told to "shut the f*** up." Complainant alleges an officer searched his car. Complainant alleges he was forced into the back of the squad, and the door was shut on his leg. Complainant alleges after the search and identification, an officer told him he would put the gun in the back, and the Complainant should drive the f*** off. Complainant alleges the officers did not give him back his gun permit. After the incident, Complainant alleges he called 911 to report the encounter, and was transferred to an officer. Complainant alleges the officer laughed at him and would not take a report.

6	Dismissed—Failure to Cooperate	**MPD P&P § 5-104.01—Professional Policing** Complainant contends that her landlord was destroying her personal property. Complainant alleges that officers took two hours to arrive at the scene, were dismissive, and failed to file a report in relation to the incident.
7	Dismissed—No Basis	**MPD P&P § 5-105(A) (4)—Professional Code of Conduct** Complainant alleges that he was falsely arrested after trying to break up a fight between two individuals--a fight in which one of the victims was stabbed. At the scene, Complainant contends that he allowed officers to search his vehicle. Complainant contends that he was apprehended based upon DNA that was found on his clothing and due to the victim's assertion in the probable cause statement that he was held down by two individuals. Complainant alleges, however, that the victim claimed at the scene to not remembering what occurred due to being hit in the head. Despite what Complainant believes was exonerating evidence, he was still arrested for the crime.
8	Sent to Investigation – Sent to Coaching, No Violation Found, Coached	**MPD P&P § 5-105(5)—Professional Code of Conduct** Complainant reported she witnessed an officer walking behind three (3) African American teenage boys while directing them away from Target and asking them to leave. Complainant alleges she overheard the officer loudly yell, "I don't want to see you f**kers here again" and "Racist? I'll show you racist."
9	Sent to Coaching—No Violation Found, Officer not Coached	**MPD § 9-201(II)—Search and Seizure** Complainant alleges that an officer in plain clothes arrested him, claiming falsely that he was carrying a weapon.
10	Sent to Investigation—Disciplined	**MPD P&P § 5-102 – Code of Ethics** Complainant alleges she had a sexual relationship with officer. The complainant alleges officer drove her to a hotel in an undercover squad car.