

OFFICE OF POLICE CONDUCT REVIEW

Case Summary Data [New Case Number]

October 7, 2013

OVERVIEW

A brief description of the incident and outcome. Complainant encountered Officer #1 during a traffic stop. Officer #1 believed the complainant to be intoxicated. Officer #1 proceeded to arrest Complainant. Complainant was injured during the struggle. Complainant filed a complaint with the OPCR. OPCR investigated and determined that the complaint had no basis to proceed.

THE COMPLAINT

A list of the allegations.

1. Excessive Force: Complainant alleges that Officer #1 struck the Complainant three times with his service weapon causing a broken nose and bruising in the face.
2. Inappropriate Language: Complainant alleges that the officer used profanity during the interaction, stating "..."

COMPLAINT PROCESSING

A description of the actions of the joint supervisors to begin resolving the case.

OPCR Joint supervisors determined that the allegations rose above an A-level violation. They determined the case needed a preliminary investigation.

EVIDENCE [Could include mediation or coaching information]

A description of the investigation, including a sequence of events.

In the course of investigating this complaint, the following steps were taken.

1. Complainant was interviewed
2. Dispatch records were obtained
3. Police reports were obtained
4. Audio records of dispatch were obtained
5. Hospital records for Complainant were obtained
6. Witness 1 was interviewed.
7. Squad camera recording was obtained.

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

A brief summary of the outcome of the investigation, including the investigator's recommended sequence of events.

Based on the investigation, the investigator provides this sequence of events:

1. Complainant was stopped after Officer 1 determined his headlight was malfunctioning.
2. Officer #1 approached the vehicle and observed a strong odor of alcohol emanating from the vehicle.
3. Complainant's eyes were bloodshot and watery, and Complainant's speech was slurred.
4. Officer #1 asked the Complainant to step out of the vehicle.
5. As Complainant was exiting the vehicle, he tripped and fell to the ground.
6. Complainant's face struck the pavement.
7. Officer #1 handcuffed the Complainant and called for an ambulance.
8. Complainant was taken to Hennepin County Medical Center.
9. After Complainant was released, he was taken to Hennepin County Jail for processing.

The squad recording captured the entire incident as it unfolded. Complainant's recollection of the events was incorrect, and no struggle took place.

OUTCOME

Based on the evidence provided in the squad recording, the joint supervisors determined that the complaint had no basis and dismissed it with no further action necessary.