

## August 19, 2015

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Dear Chief Turner:

Chief George Turner

Please be advised that the Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) has concluded its investigation and adjudication of the complaint filed by Mr. John Ruch alleging that on November 25, 2014, Atlanta Police Sergeant Michelle McKenzie (Unique ID #3684) falsely arrested him. Mr. Ruch further alleged that an unknown officer engaged in excessive force when he/she applied the handcuffs extremely tight.

RE: Complaint of John Ruch, ACRB File #15-018

The Board determined that the false arrest allegation against Sergeant McKenzie

be assigned a finding of Sustained and recommends the following penalties be imposed:

- Oral admonishment
- Counseling on Professional Conduct

The Board determined that the excessive force allegation be assigned a finding of Not Sustained.

The file is available for review upon request. The ordinance requires that the Chief respond in writing regarding which recommendations are accepted, rejected, or will be implemented with modifications within thirty (30) days of the submission of a recommendation for action by the Board to the Chief (see Sec. 2-2211(O) of the Ordinance 07-0-0141).

Sincerely,

William Harrison **Board Chair** 

cc: Mayor Kasim Reed Council President Ceasar Mitchell Members of the Atlanta City Council **ACRB Members** Executive Director Lee Reid