



April 28, 2015

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City of Atlanta Police Department
226 Peachtree Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Executive Director

RE: Complaint of Steven McDowell, ACRB
File #14-105

Dear Chief Turner:

Please be advised that the Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) has concluded its investigation and adjudication of the complaint filed by Mr. Steven McDowell alleging that on August 27, 2014, Atlanta Police Officer Mauricio Castro (Unique ID #2853) falsely imprisoned him when he illegally detained him during a traffic stop.

Mayor of Atlanta
Kasim Reed

The Board determined that **false imprisonment** allegation against Officer Castro be assigned a finding of **Sustained** and recommend that the following penalties be imposed:

Atlanta City Council

Cesar C. Mitchell
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Carla Smith
District 1
Kwanza Hall
District 2
Ivory Lee Young, Jr.
District 3
Cleta Winslow
District 4
Natalyn Mosby Archibong
District 5
Alexander Wan
District 6
Howard Shook
District 7
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District 8
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District 9
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District 10
Keisha Lance Bottoms
District 11
Joyce Sheperd
District 12
Michael Julian Bond
Post 1
Mary Norwood
Post 2
Andre Dickens
Post 3

- **Ten (10) day suspension; and**
- **due to Officer Castro's extensive disciplinary history, it is further recommended that he receive psychological counseling.**

The Board also expressed concerned that during the traffic stop, Officer Castro's wireless microphone was not activated in accordance with APD policy. Thus, it is recommended that APD look further into this issue and takes appropriate action that is in accordance with APD's disciplinary matrix.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Harrison". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

William Harrison
Board Chair

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