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December 18, 2014

Mr. William Harrison  
Atlanta Citizen Review Board  
City Hall Tower, Suite 9100  
55 Trinity Avenue, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30303

RE: 14-002 Complaint of Regina Watts

Dear Mr. Harrison:

I am in receipt of the Atlanta Citizen Review Board's letter dated September 30, 2014 in which it recommends the allegations that Officer Denis Joseph falsely arrested and used excessive force against Ms. Regina Watts be sustained.

The Atlanta Police Department's Office of Professional Standards (OPS) has concluded its investigation into this incident. As a result thereof, the allegation that Officer Denis Joseph violated Atlanta Police Department Work Rule 4.2.50 unnecessary force was **not sustained**. A preponderance of the evidence contained in the investigative file did not show that Ms. Watts was falsely detained.

Having assessed the Atlanta Citizens Review Board and the Department's investigative findings regarding this matter, I reject the findings of the Atlanta Citizen Review Board.

Lieutenant J. Webb, Assistant Commander of the Office of Professional Standards, can be contacted at 404-546-5945, if you have any concerns regarding this complaint.

Sincerely,

  
George N. Turner  
Chief of Police

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