



October 23, 2012

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RE: Complaint of Abera Gebru, ACRB File 11-75

Dear Chief Turner:

Samuel Lee Reid, II
Executive Director

Please be advised that the Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) has concluded its investigation and adjudication of the complaint filed by Abera Gebru alleging that Atlanta Police Officers David Matteson (Badge 4448) and William Kellner (Badge 4565) falsely arrested him and used abusive language towards him during an incident that occurred on October 14, 2011 at 255 Auburn Ave. The Board determined that there was sufficient evidence to sustain the false arrest allegation against Officers Matteson and Kellner and recommends the following discipline be imposed:

MAYOR OF ATLANTA

Kasim Reed

- False Arrest – Officer Kellner – Written Reprimand
- False Arrest – Officer Matteson – Written Reprimand

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The Board determined that there was insufficient evidence to sustain the abusive language allegation.

It is the Board's understanding that Officers Kellner and Matteson received discipline on the above allegation prior to the Board's decision and recommendation; therefore, pursuant to City Ord. Sec. 2-2211 (M)(4), the Board submits this letter only as an official notification of the Board's action on the complaint.

The file is available for review upon request.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or Lee Reid at (404) 865-8622.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Bartels".

Paul Bartels,
Board Chair

PB/ms

cc: Mayor Kasim Reed
Council President Cesar Mitchell
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Samuel Lee Reid, ACRB Executive Director