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Ms. Sherry Williams
Atlanta Citizen Review Board
City Hall Tower, Suite 9100
55 Trinity Avenue, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: 16-012 Complaint of Deante Nesmith

Dear Ms. Williams:

I am in receipt of the Atlanta Citizen Review Board's letter pertaining to the complaint of Deante Nesmith, recommending that the allegations of excessive force be not sustained against Officers Michael Jones, Phillip Skidmore and Kenneth Wilson.

The Office of Professional Standards has concluded its investigation and it has determined, from evidence, to not sustain Officers Michael Jones and Kenneth Wilson for Atlanta Police Department work rule 4.1.1 Appropriate Action Required. There was no evidence that Officer Phillip Skidmore violated any departmental policy in his encounter with Mr. Nesmith. This investigation also revealed that Sergeant Michael Wolfe did respond to the scene and completed a use of force report as required by policy.

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

Major C. Murphy, Commander of the Office of Professional Standards, can be contacted at (404) 546-5945, if you have any concerns regarding this complaint.

Sincerely,

Erika Shields
Chief of Police

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