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August 18, 2017

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

RE: Complaint of James Thigpen, ACRB File
#16-68

Dear Chief Shields:

Please be advised that the Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) has concluded its investigation and adjudication of the complaint filed by James Thigpen alleging that on November 20, 2016, Atlanta Police Officer Paul G. Burkett (Unique ID #5394) and Sgt. Anthony J. Moore (Unique ID #1942) acted inappropriately when they allowed Mr. Thigpen's former tenant to enter his residence and retrieve his personal belongings. Mr. Thigpen also alleged that Officer Burkett and Sgt. Moore were rude and unprofessional while speaking with him. He further alleged that, while at the scene, Sgt. Moore was laughing about the incident.

The Board determined that the **Appropriate Action Required allegation** against Officer Burkett and Sgt. Moore be assigned a finding of **Sustained and recommends that both officers receive training on APD's Standard Operating Procedures, as it relates to, civil actions (APD.SOP.2010, Section 4.2.54).**

The Board further determined that the **Conduct allegation** against both officers 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sherry'.

Sherry B. Williams
Board Chair

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