08-2684

### **CHARGES**

Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star Number 10897, is charged with violating the following rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department, which were in full force and effect on the dates of the alleged violations.

Rule 1: Violation of any law or ordinance.

Rule 2: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.

### SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star Number 10897, is charged with violating Rule 1, "Violation of any law or ordinance," in the following instance:
- Count I: On or about April 20, 2006, Officer Dewayne Smalarz, in the vicinity of Universal Studios Plaza, Orlando, Florida, knowingly obtained and/or used and/or endeavored to obtain and/or use the property of Universal Studios with the intent to, either temporarily or permanently deprive Universal Studios of the right to the property and/or the benefit from the property in that Police Officer Smalarz took miscellaneous items held for sale from Universal Studios valued at \$115.60 or more and left the store without purchasing them, in violation of Florida State Statute, Title XLVI, Chapter 812.014 (1)(a), Theft, and/or 812.014 (2) (c) (1), Grand Theft.
- 2. Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star Number 10897, is charged with violating Rule 2, "Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department," in the following instance:
- Count I: On or about April 20, 2006, Officer Dewayne Smalarz, in the vicinity of Universal Studios Plaza, Orlando, Florida, knowingly obtained and/or used and/or endeavored to obtain and/or use the property of Universal Studios with the intent to, either temporarily or permanently deprive Universal Studios of the right to the property and/or the benefit from the property in that Police Officer Smalarz took miscellaneous items held for sale from Universal Studios valued at \$115.60 or more and left the store without purchasing them, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policies and goals or bringing discredit upon the Department.

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends that Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star Number 10897, be discharged from the Chicago Police Department.

Jody P. Weis

Superintendent of Police

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Anna L. D'Ascenzo

**Assistant Corporation Counsel** 

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CHICAGO POLICE BOARD

#### BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST	)				
POLICE OFFICER DEWAYNE SMALARZ,	)	No.	80	PB	2684
STAR NO. 10897, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,	)				
CITY OF CHICAGO,	)				
	)				
RESPONDENT	)	(CR	No.	. 312	2474)

### FINDINGS

On May 14, 2008, the Superintendent of Police filed with the Police Board of the City of Chicago charges against Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star No. 10897 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Respondent"), recommending that the Respondent be discharged from the Chicago Police Department for violating the following Rules of Conduct:

Rule 1: Violation of any law or ordinance.

Rule 2: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.

The Police Board caused a hearing on these charges against Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz to be had before Michael G.

Berland, Hearing Officer of the Police Board, on March 3 and April 8, 2009.

Following the hearing, the members of the Police Board read and reviewed the record of proceedings and viewed the video-recording of the testimony of the witnesses. Michael G. Berland, Hearing Officer, made an oral report to and conferred with the Police Board before it rendered a decision.

The Police Board of the City of Chicago, as a result of its hearing of the charges, finds and determines that:

- 1. The Respondent was at all times mentioned herein employed as a police officer by the Department of Police of the City of Chicago.
- 2. The charges were filed in writing and a Notice, stating the time, date, and place, when and where a hearing of the charges was to be held, together with a copy of the original charges, were served upon the Respondent more than five (5) days prior to the hearing on the charges.
- 3. The Respondent appeared throughout the hearing and was represented by legal counsel.
- 4. The Respondent, Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star No. 10897, charged herein, is **guilty** of violating, to wit:

Rule 1: Violation of any law or ordinance, in that:

On or about April 20, 2006, in the vicinity of Universal Studios Plaza, Orlando, Florida, he knowingly obtained and/or used and/or endeavored to obtain and/or use the property of Universal Studios with the intent to either temporarily or permanently deprive Universal Studios of the right to the property and/or the benefit from the property in that he took miscellaneous items held for sale from Universal Studios valued at \$115.60 or more and left the store without purchasing them, in violation of Florida State Statute, Title XLVI, Chapter 812.014(1)(a), Theft, and/or 812.014(2)(c)(1), Grand Theft.

5. The Respondent, Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star No. 10897, charged herein, is **guilty** of violating, to wit:

Rule 2: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department,

in that:

On or about April 20, 2006, in the vicinity of Universal Studios Plaza, Orlando, Florida, he knowingly obtained and/or used and/or endeavored to obtain and/or use the property of Universal Studios with the intent to either temporarily or permanently deprive Universal Studios of the right to the property and/or the benefit from the property in that he took miscellaneous items held for sale from Universal Studios valued at \$115.60 or more and left the store without purchasing them, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals and/or bringing discredit upon the Department.

By reason of the findings of fact and guilt set forth herein, cause exists for the discharge of the Respondent, Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star No. 10897, from his position as a police officer with the Department of Police, and from the services of the City of Chicago.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL G BERLAND Hearing Officer

### DECISION

The Police Board of the City of Chicago, having read and reviewed the record of proceedings in this case, having viewed the video-recording of the testimony of the witnesses, having received the oral report of the Hearing Officer, Michael G. Berland, and having conferred with the Hearing Officer on the credibility of the witnesses and the evidence, hereby adopts all findings herein; and, in reaching its decision as to the penalty imposed, the Board has taken into account not only the facts of this case but also the Respondent's complimentary and disciplinary histories, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Respondent, Police Officer Dewayne Smalarz, Star No. 10897, as a result of having been found guilty of charges in Police Board Case No. 08 PB 2684, be and hereby is discharged from his position as a police officer with the Department of Police, and from the services of the City of Chicago.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS  $21^{\rm st}$  DAY OF MAY, 2009.

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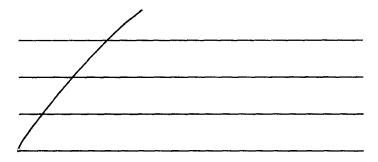
Attested by:

Executive Director

Police Board

## DISSENT

The following members of the Police Board hereby dissent from the decision of the majority of the Board.



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# **Chicago Police Department**

# **Personnel Division**

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## Complimentary History

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POLICE OFFICER OF THE MONTH AWARD	1



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## CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT

# Sustained Complaints History Report

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