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Disposition Letter

November 15, 2022

Detective Robert Jorgenson #2312 C/o First District Headquarters 3895 West 130<sup>th</sup> Street Cleveland, Ohio 44111

Re: CPD2022-0036

Detective Jorgenson #2312:

This letter is to advise you, Detective Robert Jorgenson #2312, of the result of the administrative pre-disciplinary hearing you attended on September 21, 2022, to address an internal investigation wherein you were alleged to have engaged in improper procedure and/or conduct.

# STATEMENT OF POLICY

In part: The Manual of Rules sets forth the conduct and behavior to be followed by officers and employees. Any violation of these rules shall be a basis for disciplinary action. Disciplinary action includes, but is not limited to, verbal and written reprimands and the preferring of divisional charges which can result in suspension, loss of pay, demotion or termination. The rules and standards contained in this manual shall apply whether the officer or employee is on or off duty. Where a conflict exists between a Rule and a General Police Order, the Rule provision shall be adhered to.

## RULES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

General Police Order 4.06.04: Wearable Camera System (effective: 1/1/20)

## **SPECIFICATION**

**Specification #1:** (CPD2022-0036) On or about April 7, 2022, you, Detective Robert Jorgenson #2312, failed to activate your Wearable Camera System (WCS) while participating in the execution of a search warrant at 10520 Governor Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44111, in violation of General Police Order 4.06.04. (*Group I Violation*)

This specification is in violation of the rules and procedures of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety.

## **HEARING INFORMATION**

In attendance at the administrative pre-disciplinary hearing, were you, First Vice President David Medina and Attorney Joseph Delguyd of the Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association, President Mister Jackson of the Black Shield Police Association, Vice President Erik Melendez of the Hispanic Police Officers' Association, Patrol Officer Richard Ropierski of the First District, Sergeant Jayson Young, Sergeant Dalia Lopez and Sergeant Terry Lowther of the Internal Affairs Unit, Lieutenant Charles DePenti of the Case Preparation Unit and Deputy Chief Daniel Fay of Administrative Operations, who presided over the hearing.

During the hearing, you acknowledged receipt of the charging letter; you and your representatives waived the reading of your charge letter and were then afforded the opportunity to be heard. You entered a plea of "Not Guilty" to Specification #1 of the administrative charge as set forth in the charging letter. Upon reviewing the evidence presented, the memorialized record, as well as the arguments of you and your representatives, the Hearing Officer recommended that you be issued a Letter of Reinstruction.

## FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

I have carefully reviewed the evidence incorporated into the record by reference, the memorialized record, including statements made at your hearing and the applicable Rules, Policies and Procedures. I accept and adopt the recommendation of the Hearing Officer. You have no previous Wearable Camera System (WCS) violations and no evidence was lost as other members had their cameras activated for the duration of the incident. Your work as a detective requires you to wear plain clothes during your investigation and not wear your WCS, however, at the time of the search warrant you were no longer acting in an undercover status and should have been wearing your WCS during the search. Therefore, I am issuing you this Non-disciplinary Letter of Reinstruction. Please review General Police Order 4.06.04 and ensure that you follow it verbatim.

Pursuant to the Manual of Rules, you are personally responsible for maintaining a current set of General Police Orders either as a paper copy or in electronic format. Furthermore, your Commanding Officer maintains all Divisional directives, which you are obligated to also know pursuant to the Manual of Rules. Please inform your Commanding Officer, through the chain of command, if you cannot access these policies and protocols. If you have any questions, please contact your immediate supervisor for specific answers about any of the Division's policies and protocols and their application.

This letter is not discipline and should not be regarded as such.

Sincerely,

Dornat A. Drummond

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Chief of Police

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