

Independent Police Review Authority

Quarterly Report

July 1, 2008 – September 30, 2008

October 15, 2008

This report is filed pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2-57-110, which requires the filing of quarterly reports. This quarterly report provides information for the period July 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008. The information contained in this report is accurate as of September 30, 2008.

Quarterly Overview

In the past quarter IPRA retained 681 matters for investigation, and closed 667 pending investigations. This is the second quarter in a row where IPRA has been able to close, on average, more than 220 cases per month.

This quarter, however, continued the trend of the number of investigations opened by IPRA increasing. This increase is due to a number of factors, including the expanded jurisdiction of IPRA, as well as better reporting of uses of Tasers and better tracking of lawsuits filed against the CPD. The net result is that IPRA opened 14 more investigation than it closed.

During this quarter, pursuant to the ordinance, IPRA referred 1953 investigations to the Internal Affairs Division of the Chicago Police Department for resolution.

IPRA Cumulative Figures

	INTAKE (all allegations/ notifications)	IPRA Investigations Opened	IPRA Investigations Closed	IPRA Caseload
Sept. 2007	746	216	162	1290
4Q 2007	2273	613	368	1535
1Q 2008	2366	590	554	1571
2 Q 2008	2436	640	670	1541
3Q 2008	2634	681	667	1555
TOTALS	10,455	2740	2421	

The chart above shows IPRA's cumulative figures for the past 13 months.¹ In addition to the increases in investigations initiated and closed, the chart illustrates the increase in complaints and notifications received by IPRA.²

¹ The numbers in this chart correct minor errors that were found in the numbers previously reported by IPRA in its Quarterly Reports as follows: Sept 2007 Intake decreased from 747 to 746; 4Q 2007 Intake

These numbers reflect IPRA's continued efforts to increase its output of completed investigations, including a more efficient use of limited investigator resources, IPRA investigators and staff working hours of overtime, and outside experts working alongside our investigators and assisting with completing investigations.

During this period IPRA continued to pursue hiring qualified candidates to fill vacancies. To date, IPRA has filled two-thirds of the vacancies in its investigative staff. IPRA has also identified several new hires that IPRA hopes will fill all but two of the remaining vacancies before the end of 2008. The new personnel are still receiving training and have not yet begun to shoulder a full caseload. IPRA is hopeful that IPRA will begin to see their beneficial impact during the First Quarter of 2009.

IPRA remains committed to completing investigations in a timely manner. This goal can be reached, for all but exceptional cases, when IPRA is fully staffed with trained investigators. During the last two months of this quarter, IPRA completed more than 60% of the investigations started six months earlier within those six months.

During this quarter, IPRA investigative staff continued receiving training. IPRA continued in this quarter to meet with elected officials, community residents, community based organizations, and faith based institutions to explain IPRA's new process and new mandate, as well as to open lines of communication.

IPRA also completed its first Annual Report, detailing its activities during the past year, as well as providing a detailed description of its process. For those seeking a description of IPRA's process, they can refer to the Annual Report, or any of the previous quarterly reports, which can be found at the IPRA website: www.iprachicago.org.

2-57-110(1): The number of investigations initiated since the last report

Between July 1, 2008 and September 30, 2008, IPRA issued 2634 Log Numbers. Of these Log Numbers, IPRA retained 681 for resolution. IPRA forwarded the remaining 1953 Log Numbers to the Internal Affairs Division of the Chicago Police Department for appropriate resolution.

Of the 681 Log Numbers retained by IPRA, IPRA classified 166 as Complaint Register Numbers. In addition, IPRA began Pre-affidavit Investigations for 397 of the Log Numbers retained by IPRA. The remainder of the retained Log Numbers consisted of 14 Log Numbers for shootings where an individual was hit by a bullet and a "U Number" was issued, 10 for shootings where no one was hit by a bullet, 20 for shots fired at

increased from 2272 to 2273; 1Q 2008 Intake decreased from 2367 to 2366; 2Q 2008 IPRA Investigations closed decreased from 672 to 670 and Caseload increased from 1539 to 1541.

² Pursuant to the IPRA Ordinance, certain events trigger an IPRA investigation even in the absence of an allegation of misconduct. The term "notification" refers to those events that IPRA investigates where there is no alleged misconduct.

animals, 52 for reported uses of tasers, 13 for reported uses of pepper spray,³ 8 for Extraordinary Occurrences, and 1 duplicate for a U#.

2-57-110(2): The number of investigations concluded since the last report

Since July 1, 2008, IPRA closed 667 Log Numbers. A Log Number is considered closed when IPRA completes its work on the matter, regardless of whether the Police Department is still processing the results.

2-57-110(3): The number of investigations pending as of the report date

As of September 30, 2008, there were 1555 investigations pending completion by IPRA. These include both allegations that have received Complaint Register Numbers, and those being followed under a Log Number, as well as shootings, and Extraordinary Occurrences.

2-57-110(4): The number of complaints not sustained since the last report⁴

Between July 1, 2008 and September 30, 2008, IPRA recommended that 170 investigations be closed as “not sustained.”

In addition, 260 cases were closed after a Pre-affidavit Investigation because the complainants refused to sign an affidavit. IPRA recommended that 87 investigations be closed as “unfounded,” and 3 be closed as “exonerated.”

2-57-110(5): The number of complaints sustained since the last report

Between July 1, 2008 and September 30, 2008, IPRA recommended that 14 cases be closed as sustained.

³ As of December 31, 2007, IPRA issued a Log Number for notifications of uses of taser, pepper spray, or for shootings where no one is injured only if it received a telephonic notification of the incident or there was an allegation of misconduct. As of January 1, 2008, IPRA implemented procedures to issue Log Numbers for all uses of taser and shootings, regardless of the method of notification. In addition CPD issued a reminder to CPD personnel to provide notification to IPRA.

⁴ The term “not sustained” is a term of art in police misconduct investigations. It is defined in CPD G.O. 93-3 as “when there is insufficient evidence either to prove or disprove allegation.” In addition, cases may be “unfounded,” which means “the allegation is false or not factual.”

2-57-110(6): The number of complaints filed in each district since the last report⁵

Between July 1, 2008 and September 30, 2008, IPRA received complaints of alleged misconduct based on incidents in the following districts, as follows:

District 01 = 83	District 08 = 180	District 14 = 83	District 20 = 42
District 02 = 120	District 09 = 118	District 15 = 120	District 21 = 47
District 03 = 140	District 10 = 106	District 16 = 89	District 22 = 77
District 04 = 146	District 11 = 152	District 17 = 59	District 23 = 51
District 05 = 110	District 12 = 53	District 18 = 113	District 24 = 75
District 06 = 169	District 13 = 50	District 19 = 51	District 25 = 95
District 07 = 160			

Outside City Limits = 33 Unknown location = 96

2-57-110(7): The number of complaints filed against each officer in each district since the last report⁶

(See Attachment)

2-57-110(8): The number of complaints referred to other agencies and the identity of such other agencies

Between July 1, 2008 and September 30, 2008, IPRA referred 1979 cases to other agencies as follows:

Chicago Police Department – Internal Affairs Division = 1953

Cook County State’s Attorney = 23

Federal Bureau of Investigation = 1

⁵ “Complaints” is defined as all reports of alleged misconduct, whether from the community or from a source internal to the Police Department, whether a Complaint Register number has been issued or not. This does not include, absent an allegation of misconduct, reports of uses of Tasers, pepper spray, discharges of weapons whether hitting an individual or not, or Extraordinary Occurrences. Districts are identified based on the district where the alleged misconduct occurred. Some complaints occurred in more than one District, they are counted in each district where they occurred. This list does include confidential complaints.

⁶ This uses the same definition of “complaints” as the preceding section. Except as otherwise noted, if a member was assigned to one unit but detailed to another at the time of the complaint, the member is listed under the detailed unit.

ATTACHMENT: COMPLAINTS AGAINST CPD MEMBERS BY UNIT

District 001

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Member 15: 2 complaints

District 002

Members 1-30: 1 complaint each

Members 31-22: 2 complaints each

District 003

Members 1-55: 1 complaint each

Member 56: 2 complaints

Member 57: 4 complaints

District 004

Members 1-28: 1 complaint each

Members 29-31: 2 complaints each

Member 32: 4 complaints

District 005

Members 1-30: 1 complaint each

Members 31-35: 2 complaints each

District 006

Members 1-43: 1 complaint each

Members 43-47: 2 complaints each

Member 48: 5 complaints

District 007

Members 1-39: 1 complaint each

Members 40-44: 2 complaints each

Member 45: 3 complaints

District 008

Members 1-30: 1 complaint each

Member 31: 2 complaints

Member 32: 4 complaints

District 009

Members 1-42: 1 complaint each

Members 43-45: 2 complaints each

District 010

Members 1-29: 1 complaint each

District 011

Members 1-46: 1 complaint each

Members 47-52: 2 complaints each

Member 53: 3 complaints

District 012

Members 1-23: 1 complaint each

Member 24: 2 complaints

District 013

Members 1-26: 1 complaint each

Member 27-29: 2 complaints each

Member 30: 3 complaints

District 014

Members 1-34: 1 complaint each

Members 35-43: 2 complaints each

Members 44-48: 3 complaints each

Member 49: 4 complaints

Member 50: 5 complaints

District 015

Members 1-27: 1 complaint each

Members 28-32: 2 complaints each

District 016

Members 1-23: 1 complaint each

Member 24: 2 complaints

District 017

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

District 018

Members 1-45: 1 complaint each

Members 46- 48: 2 complaints each

Members 49-50: 3 complaints each

District 019

Members 1-26: 1 complaint each

Member 27: 2 complaints

District 020

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Member 15: 2 complaints

District 021

Members 1-19: 1 complaint each

Members 20-21: 2 complaints each

District 022

Members 1-31: 1 complaint each

Members 32-34: 2 complaints each

District 023

Members 1-22: 1 complaint each

Member 23: 2 complaints

District 024

Members 1-27: 1 complaint each

Member 28: 2 complaints

District 025

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Member 15: 2 complaints

Member 16: 3 complaints

Recruit Training (044)¹

Members 1-24: 1 complaint each

Member 25: 2 complaints

District Reinstatement (045)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Airport Law Enforcement Unit – North (50)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Airport Law Enforcement Unit – South (051)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Mounted Unit (055)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Traffic Section – Detail Unit (057)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Marine Unit (059)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Special Investigations Unit (79)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Deployment Operations Center (116)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Internal Affairs Division (121)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Personnel Division (123)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Education & Training Division (124)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Information Services Division (125)

Member 1: 1 complaint

CAPS Implementation Office (135)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Office of the First Deputy (140)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Special Functions Group (141)

Members 1-15: 1 complaint each

Members 16-17: 2 complaints each

Traffic Court/Records Unit (148)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

¹ These numbers include CPD members who are detailed to a District as part of their training, but are officially still assigned to Recruit Training.

Traffic Enforcement Unit (151)

Members 1-7: 1 complaint each

Member 8: 2 complaints

Loop Traffic Unit (152)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Member 4: 2 complaints

Records Services Division (162)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Records Inquiry and Customer Service Section (163)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Field Services Section (166)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Evidence and Recovered Property Section (167)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Central Detention Section (171)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Telephone Installation/Repair and Bill Audit Unit (175)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Reproduction and Graphic Arts Section (179)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Bureau of Investigative Services – Administration (180)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Narcotics & Gang Investigation (189)

Members 1-30: 1 complaint each

Members 31-38: 2 complaints each

Intelligence Section (191)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Vice Control Section (192)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Gang Intelligence Unit (193)

Members 1-32: 1 complaint each

Members 33-40: 2 complaints each

Member 41: 4 complaints

Criminal Enterprise Section (196)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 1 (211)

Members 1-7: 1 complaint each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 2 (212)

Members 1-15: 1 complaint each

Members 18-20: 2 complaints each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 3 (213)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Member 2: 2 complaints

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 4 (214)

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Members 15-23: 2 complaints each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 5 (215)

Members 1-9: 1 complaint each

Member 10: 2 complaints

Office of the Deputy Chief, Central Control Group (216)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Targeted Response Unit (253)

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Members 15-16: 2 complaints each

Member 17: 3 complaints

Alt. Response Section (376)

Members 1-19: 1 complaint each

Member 20: 2 complaints

Evidence Technician Team – North (377)

Member 1: 2 complaints

Juvenile Intr Supt Center (384)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Evidence Technician Team – South (477)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Fraternal Order of Police (541)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Member 4: 2 complaints

Detached Services (543)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Bomb & Arson Section (603)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Central Investigations Detail (606)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Major Accident Investigation Unit (608)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 1 (610)

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Members 15-17: 2 complaints each

Member 18: 3 complaints

Detective Division, Area 2 (620)

Members 1-13: 1 complaint each

Members 14-15: 2 complaints each

Member 16: 3 complaints

Detective Division, Area 3 (630)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Members 7-8: 2 complaints each

Detective Division, Area 4 (640)

Members 1-9: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 5 (650)

Members 1-5: 1 complaint each

Public Transportation Section (701)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each