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Recommendation to Reopen Chicago Police Department Disciplinary Investigation

Log #2024-0007154

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Pursuant to the Municipal Code of Chicago (MCC) § 2-56-230(c)(ii), the Public Safety section of the City of Chicago Office of Inspector General (OIG) conducts reviews of individual closed disciplinary investigations conducted by the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) and the Chicago Police Department's (CPD) Bureau of Internal Affairs (BIA). Based on those reviews, OIG may make a recommendation to reopen the investigation to address a deficiency materially affecting its outcome.¹

BIA investigated allegations that CPD Sergeant Rasah Daily, Star #2369, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, fled the scene of a traffic accident after striking a Chicago Transit Authority bus, falsely reported to responding officers that they were not involved in a traffic accident, and was disrespectful to CPD members on the scene. BIA sustained all allegations against Sergeant Daily and recommended a 45-day suspension.

During its review, OIG found that despite BIA's sustaining an allegation that Sergeant Daily made a false statement, BIA did not conduct an analysis of whether Sergeant Daily's conduct violated CPD's Rule 14, prohibiting false reports.

OIG recommended that BIA reopen the investigation to complete a Rule 14 analysis regarding the false statement made by Sergeant Daily.

In response to OIG's recommendations, BIA reopened the investigation, completed a Rule 14 analysis, and concluded that Sergeant Daily's false statement was not "willful or wanton misconduct," and therefore was not a Rule 14 violation.

OIG's letter to BIA containing its recommendations is attached in Appendix A, and BIA did not issue a written response to OIG's recommendation..

¹ Once BIA or COPA has responded to an OIG recommendation to reopen an investigation, and once the underlying investigation has reached a final disciplinary decision, OIG's recommendation letters and the agencies' responses will be published on OIG's website. In these procedural postures, OIG's recommendations to reopen and the agencies' responses have been available and, from time to time, released pursuant to MCC § 2-56-250 and the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. These recommendations to reopen, issued pursuant to MCC § 2-56-230(c), are separate from OIG's own confidential investigative work, which is governed by the confidentiality provisions set out in MCC § 2-56-110.

Appendix A | OIG Letter



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Via Electronic Mail

April 10, 2025

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Re: Log #2024-0007154

Dear Deputy Director Moore:

Pursuant to § 2-56-230(c)(ii) of the Municipal Code of Chicago (MCC), the Office of Inspector General's (OIG) Public Safety section has conducted a preliminary review of the investigation conducted by the Chicago Police Department's (CPD) Bureau of Internal Affairs (BIA) in Log #2024-0007154. OIG recommends that the investigation be reopened to conduct an analysis of whether the evidence gathered in BIA's investigation demonstrates a violation of Rule 14 of CPD's Rules of Conduct, prohibiting false reports, written or oral. Log #2024-0007154 is currently in a command channel review status.

Log #2024-0007154 concerns allegations that off-duty CPD Sergeant Rasah Daily, Star #2369, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, fleeing the scene of a traffic accident after striking a Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) bus, falsely responded to officers that they were not involved in a traffic accident, and was disrespectful to CPD officers on the scene. BIA sustained all allegations against Sergeant Daily.

According to the Arrest Report, on September 12, 2024, CPD officers responded to a call of an auto accident between a passenger vehicle and CTA bus.¹ When officers arrived on scene, they learned that the driver of the passenger vehicle fled the scene on foot. Officers obtained a physical description of the driver and canvassed the area for them. Responding officers located a subject matching the description of the driver, and other CPD members on scene later identified them as off-duty CPD Sergeant Rasah Daily, Star #2369.

The responding officer's body-worn camera (BWC) shows them asking Sergeant Daily "were you just involved in an accident?" and Sergeant Daily responds "No."² One of the responding officers

¹ Attachment 8.

² Attachment 6 at 5:55 mark.

tells Sergeant Daily they can see an injury to Sergeant Daily's face and tells Sergeant Daily they are going to detain them and return to the scene of the traffic accident to continue their investigation. The responding CPD officers transport Sergeant Daily back to the scene of the traffic crash where the CTA bus driver identifies Sergeant Daily as the driver of the vehicle that struck the bus.

BIA interviewed Sergeant Daily. During the interview, Sergeant Daily stated they did consume alcohol and did crash into a CTA bus. Sergeant Daily also stated that when the responding officers asked them if they were involved in an accident, it was not their intent to deceive the officers. Sergeant Daily stated that they were dazed and confused as a result of the traffic accident.

In its Investigative Closing Report, BIA sustained that Sergeant Daily "lied to responding officers and stated that she was not involved in a traffic accident." Despite having found that Sergeant Daily lied, BIA does not make any assessment in its Investigative Closing Report of whether or not—and if not, why not—their conduct violated Rule 14.

Based on OIG's preliminary review, and without taking any position on any other aspect of the investigation or its findings, OIG recommends that BIA reopen Log #2024-0007154 to complete a Rule 14 analysis regarding the statement of Sergeant Daily which BIA determined to be false.

Please contact Chief Investigative Analyst LaDonna Candia-Flanagan at lcandia-flanagan@igchicago.org or (773) 478-5614 with any questions. Please send your response to this recommendation within the time allowed by MCC § 2-56-245. OIG will consider a failure to respond in the time permitted by ordinance to be a declination of our recommendation. OIG looks forward to BIA's response, and recommends that BIA incorporate this letter and its response into the electronic case file to provide for a complete record.

Respectfully,



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