



## City of Phoenix

**To:** Paula T. Veach, Commander  
Mountain View Precinct

**Date:** January 9, 2017

**From:** Ardavan Jorjani, Sergeant *AJ*  
Mountain View Precinct

**Subject:** INTERNAL INVESTIGATION REPORT – SI16-0080

**Internal Investigators:** Lieutenant Matthew Siekmann #6347 (Investigative Review)  
Sergeant Ardavan Jorjani #5891 (Primary Investigator)

**Allegation # SI16-0080:** While transporting Ms. Kimberly Mariano, a female domestic violence victim, to the Family Advocacy Center, Officer Joshua Adams #6876 stopped and parked at a Quik Trip convenience store located at 2250 E. Thomas Road to obtain a drink refill and use the lavatory.  
Between 0348 and 0351 hours, Ms. Mariano was left seated and unsupervised in the locked rear passenger compartment of Officer Adams' marked patrol vehicle without the freedom of movement.

**Findings:** Sustained

**Employee/s Involved:** Officer Joshua Adams #6876

**Complainant:** Department initiated

**Attachments:** See Attachments

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### **SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION:**

On July 31, 2016 at 0314 hours, Officer Adams #6786 was transporting Ms. Kimberly Mariano to the Family Advocacy Center (FAC) following an incident (16-1408875) at [REDACTED] where Nicholas Clinton, her boyfriend, allegedly choked her. While en route to the FAC, Officer Adams stopped at the QT convenience store located at 2250 E. Thomas Road to use the lavatory and refill his drink while the victim was sitting unattended and locked in the rear passenger compartment of his patrol vehicle.

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This information was revealed to Sergeant Catalano #8226 by Officer Adams when he responded to the call of Ms. Mariano walking away from the FAC entrance after stating her frustrations to Officer Adams about leaving her in the back seat. Officer Adams also told Sergeant Catalano Ms. Mariano was mad about previous contacts with the Phoenix Police Department.

After obtaining the details above, Sergeant Catalano told Officer Adams what a bad idea it was to leave a victim locked and unattended in his car. As a result, Sergeant Catalano sent myself and Lieutenant Slekman an email containing the information above.

Based on the email details, I met with Officer Adams and asked him what happened on this call and was told the same story. I asked him why he left Ms. Mariano in his vehicle and he said he was really thirsty and had to "Pee". No more questions were asked of Officer Adams and this ended our conversation.

Following our meeting, I made two unsuccessful attempts to contact Ms. Mariano on August 1 and August 25, 2016.

On August 30, 2016, I sent this inquiry to PSB. Sergeant Fulleton (PSB) reviewed the surveillance video from QT which confirmed that on July 31, 2016 from 0348 and 0351 hours, Officer Adams parked at the listed QT parking lot and went inside for a total of three minutes before returning to his vehicle and continuing to the Family Adocacy Center with Ms. Mariano in the back seat.

On September 1, 2016, an attempt by PSB to contact Ms. Mariano was unsuccessful and contact information was left at her residence with a request for return correspondence. The victim never made contact with PSB and, as a result, a "Blue Team" inquiry was created and video surveillance from the QT was forwarded to patrol for disposition.

On October 17, 2016, I served Officer Adams with an NOI for "Neglect of Duty" and interviewed him after reading the listed allegation above.