



City of Phoenix

Professional Standards Bureau

Discovery Review: Y N

Dishonesty, integrity, bias, moral turpitude

Reviewed by: BH 5512

Date: 12/18/09

To: Jack F. Harris
Public Safety Manager

Date: June 30, 2009

From: Blake A. McClelland, Assistant Chief *BAM*
Professional Standards Division

Subject: INTERNAL INVESTIGATION - PSB08-0150

Internal Investigators: Commander George Richards
Lieutenant Ben Henry (Investigative Review)
Sergeant Alex Berezow (Primary Investigator)
Sergeant Ben Leuschner (Interview)

Allegation #1: From July 1, 2008, through December 14, 2008, Officer Alexander Ruiz #8508 neglected his job responsibilities by failing to complete thirteen departmental reports in a timely manner and also neglected to complete six reports that are missing to this date.

Findings: Sustained

Allegation #2: On November 16, 2008, Officer Ruiz failed to properly impound evidence from a crime scene involving a shooting/aggravated assault that occurred at [REDACTED]

Findings: Sustained

Allegation #3 On January 4, 2009, while at Maryvale Precinct, Officer Ruiz intentionally disobeyed the direct order of his immediate supervisor to impound evidence that was secured from a crime scene at [REDACTED]

Findings: Sustained

Employee/s Involved:

Officer: Alexander Ruiz #8508
Division: Patrol Operations South Division
Precinct: Maryvale
Squad: 84A
Schedule: 0600-1600 S-Su-M
Date of Hire: 1-30-2006

Complainant:

Department Initiated

Departmental Report:

2009-90018698

Attachments:

See Attachments section

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION:

From July 1, 2008, through December 14, 2008, Officer Alexander Ruiz #8508 neglected his assigned job responsibilities by failing to complete thirteen departmental reports in a timely manner. During this same period, Officer Ruiz also failed to complete six departmental reports and one traffic accident report. Officer Ruiz also (on two separate occasions) failed to impound vital evidence belonging to the suspect in one incident, and failed to impound evidence at the direction of his immediate sergeant in the second incident. Officer Ruiz also failed to obey a direct order from PSB investigators after being served a Notice of Investigation (NOI) and told to complete all reports that are assigned to him prior to the end of each shift. In addition, Officer Ruiz disobeyed a direct order from his immediate supervisor to impound evidence from a crime scene. All of the allegations described above are sustained.

