



City of Phoenix

Professional Standards Bureau

Discovery Review: Y N

Dishonesty, integrity, bias, moral turpitude

Reviewed by: SOH 3486

Date: 7/16/2007

To: Jack F. Harris
Police Chief

Date: December 4, 2006

From: M. L. (Andy) Anderson, Assistant Chief
Professional Standards Division

Subject: INTERNAL INVESTIGATION PSB 05-30

Internal Investigators:

Commander Steve Campbell (Investigative Review)
Lieutenant Linda Johnson (Investigative Review)
Detective Dan Courtney (Primary Investigator)
Sergeant Clint Zeiner (Interviews)
Sergeant Steve Porter (Interviews)

Location/s Occurred:

Family Investigations Bureau

Date/Time Occurred:

Between July 2002 and November 2004

Employee Involved:

Officer Garrick Ward #6106
Division: Patrol Operations North
Precinct: Cactus Park Precinct
Squad: 93G
Supervisor: Sergeant J. Halonen

Allegation #1:

Between July 2002 and November 2004, while assigned as a detective to the Family Investigations Bureau Domestic Violence Detail, Officer Garrick Ward #6106 failed to properly investigate seventy-seven criminal cases involving Custodial and Access Interference, Aggravated Assault and Misdemeanor Assault cases which were assigned to him for follow-up investigation.

Findings:

Sustained

Allegation #2:

Between July, 2002 and November, 2004, while assigned as a detective to the Family Investigations Bureau Domestic Violence Detail, Officer Garrick Ward #6106 knowingly falsified entries in the Police Automated Computerized Entry System (PACE) Case Management records and in criminal investigation Departmental Reports

by indicating he conducted various investigative techniques while assigned the case for follow-up investigation.

Findings:

Sustained

Summary of Investigation:

On June 24, 2002, Officer Garrick Ward #6106 transferred to the Family Investigations Bureau (FIB) Domestic Violence Detail at his request. Officer Ward was assigned to the C74 squad as a detective and was supervised by Sergeant Leonard Pinuelas. Officer Ward received training at FIB pertaining to Case Management, protocols in domestic violence investigations, and how to conduct a proper criminal investigation.

On November 29, 2004, Officer Ward transferred from FIB to the Front Desk at Police Headquarters at his request. After Officer Ward transferred, detectives in FIB cleaned out Officer Ward's desk to make it ready for his replacement. At that time, the detectives found numerous reports in the desk for which Officer Ward neglected to conduct a proper follow-up investigation and/or submit to the Maricopa County Attorney or City Prosecutor for prosecution. Subsequently an administrative investigation was conducted.

During Officer Ward's assignment as a detective in FIB he was assigned follow-up investigations involving Custodial/Access Interference. In 15 Custodial/Access Interference investigations Officer Ward entered false information into PACE Case Management history and/or into Departmental Reports information that he had sent victims a postcard requesting the victims to provide additional information to him. Officer Ward did not send the postcards as he indicated in PACE Case Management history or in Departmental Reports until several weeks or months later.

Officer Ward was assigned to conduct follow-up investigations involving Domestic Violence felony assault cases. Investigators found that in sixty-two investigations, Officer Ward failed to conduct follow-up investigations necessary to prepare the Departmental Report for submission to the appropriate prosecuting agency utilizing all available resources. Additionally, Officer Ward falsely stated in 24 Departmental Reports that he entered a File Stop into the PACE system in an attempt to locate a suspect and/or victim in the cases assigned to him.