

BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST)
POLICE OFFICER ALEX D. CONWAY,) **No. 20 PB 2975**
STAR No. 6163, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,)
CITY OF CHICAGO,)
) **(CR No. 1079402)**
)
RESPONDENT.)

ORDER

On July 1, 2020, the Superintendent of Police filed with the Police Board of the City of Chicago charges against Police Officer Alex D. Conway, Star No. 6163 (hereinafter referred to as “Respondent”), recommending that the Respondent be discharged from the Chicago Police Department for violating several Rules of Conduct (a copy of the charges is attached as Exhibit A).

On July 23, 2020, the Superintendent moved to withdraw the charges against the Respondent because the Respondent resigned from the Chicago Police Department. The Police Board has considered the Superintendent’s motion.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Superintendent’s motion is **granted**, and the proceedings before the Police Board are terminated.

This Order is adopted and entered by a majority of the members of the Police Board: Ghian Foreman, Paula Wolff, Matthew C. Crowl, Michael Eaddy, Steve Flores, Jorge Montes, John P. O’Malley Jr., Rhoda D. Sweeney, and Andrea L. Zopp.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 19th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020.

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Attested by:

/s/ GHIAN FOREMAN
President

/s/ MAX A. CAPRONI
Executive Director

Exhibit A

Charges

Attached are the charges filed with the Police Board by the Superintendent of Police. The public is reminded that the filing of charges is not evidence of guilt. The accused officer is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair hearing at which the Superintendent has the burden of proving guilt by a preponderance of the evidence. In this case, the accused officer resigned from the Chicago Police Department prior to a hearing on the charges.

CHARGES AGAINST POLICE OFFICER ALEX D. CONWAY

Police Officer Alex D Conway, Star Number 6163, is charged with violating the following rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department (the "Department"), which were in full force and effect on the date(s) of the alleged violations:

- Rule 2: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.
- Rule 3: Any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals.
- Rule 6: Disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral.
- Rule 8: Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty.
- Rule 14: Making a false report, written or oral.

1. On or about February 26, 2016, at approximately 11:50 p.m., at or near 2910 South Federal Street, Chicago, Illinois, Police Officer Alex D. Conway used force that was not reasonably necessary based on the totality of the circumstances to perform a lawful task, effect an arrest, overcome resistance, control a subject, or protect himself or others from injury when he pushed Monroe Durrah against a doorframe, while effecting an arrest of Monroe Durrah and while Monroe Durrah was in handcuffs, thereby
 - a. Engaging in action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department in violation of Rule 2; and
 - b. Disobeying a direct order, whether oral or written in violation of Rule 6 (General Order G03-02 ("Use of Force Guidelines")); and
 - c. Disrespecting and/or maltreating Monroe Durrah in violation of Rule 8.
2. On or about February 26, 2016, at approximately 11:50 p.m., at or near 2910 South Federal Street, Chicago, Illinois, Police Office Alex D. Conway used force that was not reasonably necessary based on the totality of the circumstances to perform a lawful task, effect an arrest, overcome resistance, control a subject, or protect himself or others from injury when he struck Monroe Durrah about the upper body, while effecting an arrest of Monroe Durrah and while Monroe Durrah was in handcuffs, thereby
 - a. Engaging in action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department in violation of Rule 2; and

- d. Disobeying a direct order, whether oral or written in violation of Rule 6 (General Order G03-02 (“Use of Force Guidelines”)); and
 - e. Disrespecting and/or maltreating Monroe Durrah in violation of Rule 8.
3. On or about February 26, 2016, at approximately 11:50 p.m., at or near 2910 South Federal Street, Chicago, Illinois, Police Office Alex D. Conway told Monroe Durrah to “shut the fuck up,” or words to that effect, while effecting an arrest of Monroe Durrah, thereby
- a. Engaging in action or conduct which impedes the Department’s efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department in violation of Rule 2; and
 - b. Disrespecting and/or maltreating Monroe Durrah in violation of Rule 8.
4. On or about February 26, 2016 and/or February 27, 2016, Police Officer Alex D. Conway failed to complete a Tactical Response Report documenting a reportable use of force incident in which Police Office Alex D. Conway, while effecting an arrest of Monroe Durrah and while Monroe Durrah was in handcuffs, grabbed Monroe Durrah’s shirt and/or neck, pushed Monroe Durrah against a wall, pushed Monroe Durrah against a doorframe and/or struck Monroe Durrah about the upper body, thereby
- a. Failing to promote the Department’s efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals in violation of Rule 3; and
 - b. Disobeying a direct order, whether oral or written in violation of Rule 6 (General Order G03-02-05 (“Incidents Requiring the Completion of a Tactical Response Report”).
5. On or about October 6, 2016, between approximately 7:20 a.m. and 8:20 a.m., at the offices of the Independent Police Review Authority (“IPRA”) located at 1615 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, during an interview with IPRA investigator(s), Police Office Alex D. Conway made false statements when he stated “No, I did not” in response to the question “Did you strike Mr. Durrah, while he was in handcuffs?” and when he stated “No” in response to the question “Did you ever strike Mr. Durrah?” thereby
- a. Engaging in action or conduct which impedes the Department’s efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department in violation of Rule 2;
 - b. Making a false report, written or oral, in violation of Rule 14.

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends that Officer Alex D. Conway, Star Number 6163, be separated from the Chicago Police Department.



DAVID BROWN
Superintendent of Police

APPROVED AS TO FORM



ELIZABETH S. RALPH
CHRISTINE DULANEY
Special Assistant Corporation Counsel

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