

Charges Filed with the Police Board

The following charges have been 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.

CHARGES AGAINST POLICE OFFICER JOSE MORENO

Police Officer Jose Moreno, Star No. 10978, is charged with violating the following Rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department, which were in full force and effect on the date of the alleged violations:

- Rule 1: Violation of any law or ordinance.
- 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 8: Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty.
- Rule 9: Engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

SPECIFICATIONS

1. In or around March 2021, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL, Police Officer Jose Moreno struck [REDACTED] on or about her lower back with a closed hand, while she was pregnant; and/or the aforementioned physical contact with any family or household member was made knowingly and/or without justification, and it caused bodily harm and/or was of an insulting or provoking nature. Officer Moreno thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, to wit, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) (Domestic Battery) and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) (Battery);
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty; and/or
 - d. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

2. On or about July 11, 2021, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL, Police Officer Jose Moreno verbally abused [REDACTED] in that he stated, "I'm going to make your life a living hell until you get out of here" or words to that effect, and/or called [REDACTED] a "bitch," "slut," and/or "whore," or words to that effect. Officer Moreno thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - b. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty; and/or
 - c. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

3. On or about July 11, 2021, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL, Police Officer Jose Moreno obstructed [REDACTED] from calling for emergency assistance by taking her cell phone and/or disconnecting the wireless internet connection in the home. Officer Moreno thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department; and/or
 - b. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty.

4. On or about August 20, 2021, or August 21, 2021, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL, Police Officer Jose Moreno struck [REDACTED] on or about her right arm with a closed hand; and/or the aforementioned physical contact with any family or household member was made knowingly and/or without justification, and it caused bodily harm and/or was of an insulting or provoking nature. Officer Moreno thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, to wit, 720 ILCS 5.0/12-3.2 (Domestic Battery) and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) (Battery);
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty; and/or
 - d. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

5. On or about October 29, 2021, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL, Police Officer Jose Moreno applied pressure to [REDACTED]'s neck and/or wrapped his arm around [REDACTED]'s neck and/or strangled [REDACTED] and/or otherwise made physical contact with [REDACTED]'s neck such that she could not breathe for any period of time; and/or Officer Moreno pushed [REDACTED] to the floor; and/or Officer Moreno kicked [REDACTED] about or near her ribcage; and/or all or part of the aforementioned physical contact with any family or household member was made knowingly and/or without justification, and it caused bodily harm and/or was of an insulting or provoking nature. Officer Moreno thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, to wit, 720 ILCS 5.0/12-3.2 (Domestic Battery) and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) (Battery);
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty; and/or
 - d. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

6. Between approximately September 2020 and October 2021, Police Officer Jose Moreno verbally abused [REDACTED], using words to the effect of "bitch," "hoe," "slut," and/or "whore." Officer Moreno thereby violated:

- a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
- b. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty; and/or
- c. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends that Police Officer Jose Moreno, Star Number 10978, be discharged from the Chicago Police Department.



LARRY B. SNELLING
Superintendent of Police

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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