

Incident Details Report

Grand Junction Police Department

1/6/2023

Employees:	Bridge, Patric
Categories:	Category I Complaint / IA, Category II Complaint, Performance Review / Discipline

Category I Complaint / IA

For: Bridge, Patric

Occurred: 5/31/2020

By: Freidenberger, Suzette

Entered: 6/26/2020

Disposition:

Exonerated - Occurred, but act was within policy and proper.

IA Case Number:

IA2020-07

Received Date and Time:

06/08/2020

Reporting Party:

Jason Sawyer

Responsive (CCJRA) Record:

No

Type of Complaint:

Internal Complaint

See Attached documents

By: Piotrowski, Ryan

Entered: 1/6/2023

On 05/31/30, while working an operation with other Drug Task Force members, Det. Bridge sent a group text message to other DTF members that could have been considered a violation of GJPD policy. An investigation and evaluation of extensive documentation determined a finding of Exonerated in this incident.

Performance Review / Discipline

For: Bridge, Patric

Occurred: 8/24/2020

By: Piotrowski, Ryan

Entered: 12/7/2020

Complaint / Issue Type:

Conduct / Judgement Issue

Resolution - Most Significant :

Letter of Reprimand

Contrary to public interest - asked Corporal Bridge to be exposed to CS gas, in-order to help with future SWAT testing. Corporal Bridge took Contrary to public to Contra while off duty and exposed Co to a CS Tri-chamber. Attached is Corporal Bridge's Letter of Reprimand for the incident.

By: Piotrowski, Ryan

Entered: 12/7/2020

See attached Performance Review.

Category I Complaint / IA

For: Bridge, Patric

Occurred: 10/4/2020

By: Piotrowski, Ryan

Entered: 3/12/2021

Disposition:

Unfounded - False or not factual, conduct did not occur.

Case Number :

2020-00053103

Disposition Date:

03/12/21

IA Case Number:

IA2020-15

Received Date and Time:

12/16/20

Reporting Party:

Personal Identifying

Reporting Party Address:

Mesa County Jail

Responsive (CCJRA) Record:

Yes

Type of Complaint:

External Complaint

On 12/08/20 the GJPD received a letter from Personal Identifying requesting a complaint be filed against the officers who arrested him on 10/04/20. Although Persona was clear on wanting to make a complaint, the actual complaint itself was unclear. He stated "Specifically, yet not restricted to, the deployment of the Tazer, through, until discharge from the St. Marys emergency room." The letter is attached.

Because a response to resistance investigation had already been completed and processed through the chain of command, it was determined Internal Affairs would review the RTR investigation for any oversight or force issues. The original RTR was completed by Sgt. Taylor on 10/05/20 and was deemed objectively reasonable and within policy. I reviewed the investigation and Body Worn Camera footage. I was not able to substantiate any of the officers involved used excessive or inappropriate force, and I concur with the RTR findings.

In short, Persona pointed a handgun at an officer and later admitted it was his intention to be a threat to officers so they would have to use force on him (suicide by police). After dropping the handgun, he refused to comply with officers' commands to move to his left, away from handgun, and he was incapacitated with a Taser.

This complaint has been cleared as unfounded, and a disposition letter was sent to Persona on 03/12/21 (see attached).

Category I Complaint / IA

For: Bridge, Patric

Occurred: 8/1/2021

By: Piotrowski, Ryan

Entered: 3/9/2022

Disposition:

Sustained - Substantiated, misconduct did occur.

Disposition Date:

02/28/22

IA Case Number:

IA2021-17

Non Disclosure Agreement (NDA):

No

Received Date and Time:

12/17/21

Reporting Party:

GJPD Command Staff

Responsive (CCJRA) Record:

No

Type of Complaint:

Internal Complaint

On or around 12/13/21 **Contrary to** was privy to a conversation that involved a rumor that a dispatcher had seen two officers engaged in sex at Lincoln Park. The involved officers were identified as Cpl. Patric Bridge and **Contrary to public interest -**. The incident allegedly occurred a "few" months ago, during the early morning hours. There was no information relating to the conduct being on or off duty. Because the rumor was not clear about whether the conduct was on or off duty, an Internal Affairs investigation was initiated. Due to this investigation and an unrelated, concurrent Internal Affairs investigation also involving Cpl. Bridge (IA2021-16) he was placed on administrative leave by Deputy Chief Nordine on 12/17/21.

An investigation showed the original rumor or allegation did not involve **Contrary to public**, however the investigation did reveal they had been involved in an intimate relationship for several months while **Contrary to public interest - C.R.S. 24-72-305(5)**

Contrary to public interest - . The investigation further revealed the original rumor did involve Cpl. Bridge and a civilian employee of Contrary to public interest . Contrary to public interest - C.R.S. 24-72-305(5)
Contrary to public interest - No on-duty sexual conduct was determined in either incident, however numerous other Department and City policies were violated by Cpl. Bridge.

On 03/01/22 DC Smith presented Cpl. Bridge a Contemplated Letter of Discipline which detailed the recommendation for his termination of employment, relating to both Internal Affairs investigations. Cpl. Bridge subsequently tendered his resignation on the same date.

Based on the foregoing, a disposition of Sustained and Sustained Other has been determined in this matter.

By: Piotrowski, Ryan

Entered: 3/9/2022

On 03/07/22 DC Smith met with Contrary to public interest - C.R.S. 24-72-305(5)
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GJPD Command Staff

Responsive (CCJRA) Record:

No

Type of Complaint:

Internal Complaint

On 12/16/21 the GJPD SWAT Team was at **Contrary to** for physical training. During the warm-up portion of the workout Corporal Patric Bridge was alleged to have made a racial comment to the rest of the Team. **Contrary to public interest -** and **Contrary to** heard this comment and later reported it to their Commander. Due to the nature of comment and a prior Internal Affairs investigation involving Cpl. Bridge as the affected officer, it was determined an Internal Affairs investigation would be opened (12/17/21). Due to this investigation and an unrelated, concurrent Internal Affairs investigation also involving Cpl. Bridge (IA2021-17) he was placed on administrative leave by Deputy Chief Nordine on 12/17/21.

An investigation of this incident showed Cpl. Bridge did make a racially insensitive "joke" which violated Department and City policies. On 03/01/22 DC Smith presented Cpl. Bridge a Contemplated Letter of Discipline which detailed the recommendation for his termination of employment, relating to both Internal Affairs investigations. Cpl. Bridge subsequently tendered his resignation on the same date.

Based on the foregoing, a disposition of Sustained has been determined in this matter.

Redaction Log

Reason	Page (# of occurrences)	Description
Contrary to public interest - C.R.S. 24-72-305(5)	2 (4) 4 (4) 5 (4) 6 (3)	Release of the information is contrary to the public interest. --C.R.S. 24-72-305(5)
Personal Identifying Information - C.R.S. 24-72-305(5)	3 (5)	Personal Identifying Information (PII) - The records contain PII of one or more people which raises a substantial privacy and/or safety interest. --C.R.S. 24-72-305(5).