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## **Patrol Shift Harassment**



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The following report is prepared as a summary of information obtained by Professional Standards Investigators during the course of the investigation. The report is not, nor is it intended to be, a transcript of those interviews or direct quotation of statements made except as specifically may be provided. The report is supplemented by video footage of these interviews, which are retained in the investigation file.

The Internal Complaint Investigation, No. 16-5421, resulted in allegations of misconduct against Green Bay Police Department Employees. On December 12, 2016 at approximately 0600 hours, Professional Standards Division (PSD) investigators were made aware of allegations that a patrol officer was possibly abusing sick time. During the initial stages of that investigation, a Department supervisor said that

approached him, and asked when the supervisors where going to do something with all of the harassment against a particular officer assigned to night watch.

Based on the information provided to PSD investigators and an initial investigation into the matter, it became apparent that a pattern of harassment of certain officers on the night shift by fellow officers and a supervisor was occurring. The harassment was toward a small group of people and was in violation of several policies of the Green Bay Police Department. The investigation determined that a substantial amount of this harassment was being done over the Mobile Data Terminals (MDT) in the squad cars. This prompted a review of 18 months of MDT messages of each of the night shift officers. This also prompted interviews with 29 members of the Green Bay Police Department, and is some cases, multiple interviews with the same officers. Prior to the completions of this investigation and prior to having the opportunity to interview Lt. Rob Korth and Officer Casey Masiak, they both resigned their positions with the Green Bay Police Department.

During the initial stages of the investigation, it was clear that a small group of officers were involved in harassment, bullying or were conducting themselves inappropriately. Officer Matt Knutson, Officer Kurt Brester, Officer Tim Eickholt, Officer Paul Spoerl, Officer Kevin Bahl and Officer Scott Salzmann became the focus of the investigation.

The investigation determined that at least twenty-five of Officer Knutson's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interviews with PSD, Officer Knutson admitted that the twenty-five messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch. Officer Knutson also admitted to printing and posting a picture of another officer in a manner that was harassing in nature. Officer Knutson also sent disparaging messages about an officer's medical condition, knowing that this officer had a medical condition. Officer Knutson admitted that his actions are considered harassment, bullying, and intimidation, directly toward other officers and in some cases, indirectly by talking negatively about them behind their back. Officer Knutson was interviewed on four separate occasions and it was not until after he was placed on Administrative Duty, that Officer Knutson was able to fully and completely answer to his role in the harassment and bullying of other officers. Officer Knutson's inability or unwillingness to provide accurate and truthful statements during his first or second interview resulted in investigators needing to interview him multiple times when they could have been working on other duties and responsibilities. The investigation determined that at least seventeen of Officer Kurt Brester's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Brester admitted that the seventeen messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch. These messages contained words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with Department policy. The creation and transmission of those inappropriate messages contributed to an inappropriate workplace environment that was hostile to some Department employees. Officer Kurt Brester was interviewed on three occasion as it relates to this internal investigation. During these interviews he was evasive in his answers and relied heavily on statements similar to "not that I can recall", "I don't remember", and "that's possible but I can't say for sure." It is understood that a police officer is required to be able to recall events and facts in order to write a report or testify in court. It appears that your statements similar to "not that I can recall", along with the other similar generalized statements were self-serving and made in an attempt to not fully answer the questions from Internal Affairs investigators.

During the Professional Standards interview with Officer Timothy Eickholt admitted to making inappropriate statements and using inappropriate language about other officers. A review of Officer Timothy Eickholt's MDT messages revealed that he was involved in harassment or bullying of certain officers. Officer Timothy Eickholt, while on duty, was involved with thirteen (13) inappropriate MDT messages and making other inappropriate comments to other officers. Officer Eickholt's messages and inappropriate comments contained words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with Department policy. The creation and transmission of those inappropriate messages contributed to an inappropriate workplace environment that was hostile to some Department employees. Officer Eickholt also admitted to making sexually explicit statements in the shift commander's office in the presence of a police supervisor and a female co-worker. He also said that he made a sexually natured comment about two other officers that were involved in a relationship. Officer Eickholt also disclosed that he may or may not have done the "Malk" and said "I'm sure I've done it." The internal investigation has also revealed that other officers have confirmed that he has used the word "Nigger" ("N" word) and the phrase "Just Niggers Being Niggers." ("JNBN")

During the review of Officer Bahl's MDT messages, there was a nearly a 30 minute conversation about two MDT messages where he attended to justify and minimize the content of the messages that you sent out. It was clear that he showed some sort of concern with the amount of time off used or how other officers used their off time. He particularly focused on this with a female Officer. When asked about why this was any concern of his or what any of the officers that he sent messages to, could do about the off time usage, he could not give an answer to this and understood that other officers could do nothing about how officers use their off time. He sent an all car message "Everyone can log off 5 min early except units." units on this particular date included one of the female officers. He expressed that this was out of frustration that this female officer was taking too long on a call and did not respond to another call.

Officer Bahl's message review continued to show that he had concern with one female officer taking off time and how she responds to calls for service. He also expressed in his messages

related to another female officer and what she does or does not do at work. Officer Bahl said that he takes responsibility for the messages and agreed that they should not have been sent out.

A review of Officer Scott Salzmann's MDT messages revealed that he was not particularly involved in harassment or bullying of certain officers. However, several inappropriate messages were located that were in violation of policy. Officer Scott Salzmann, while on duty, sent fourteen (14) inappropriate MDT messages to other officers. Those messages contained words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with Department policy. The investigation determined that at least fourteen officer's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Salzmann admitted that the fourteen messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. During his internal affairs investigation interview, he said that he has told new officers that they need to work hard to earn it and that they were not part of the team until solo patrol. Officer Salzmann said that this was said to motivate new officers to continue to work hard. He also went on to talk about the issues with this generation and their ability to take criticism and he tries to combat this by tactfully talking to the new officers. The idea that a new officer it not considered part of the team is of concern and goes against this agencies values.

Officer Paul Spoerl was interviewed by Internal Affairs Investigators on December 28, 2016 as a witness officer to the night shift internal affairs complaint. During that interview, investigators advised him to be truthful with his answers. Investigators asked him specific questions pertaining to the investigation and on numerous occasions, he initially responded by denying knowing any information, only to later reveal specific information, after further questioning. When asked during the interview why he would not have just been up front with his answers, he replied, "It's tough when they are friends." A second interview was conducted on January 29, 2017. Investigators reviewed several MDT messages that he had sent. He admitted to investigators of violating policy by sending 15 inappropriate messages that were reviewed with him. As a result of Officer Spoerl's inability to provide truthful answers to investigators, he was found to have violated the truthfulness policy as it relates to internal investigations. This information was provided to the Brown County District Attorney's Office and Officer Spoerl was determined to be a "Brady" Officer. Officer Spoerl could not be used as a witness to testify in certain court proceedings. Because of this, Officer Spoerl's usefulness as a police officer with the Green Bay Police Department was found to be limited and charges were filed with the Police and Fire Commission for his removal from his police officer position with the Green Bay Police Department.

Officer Mike Rahn was interviewed as part of this internal investigation and had participated in bullying and harassment of fellow officers. Before the conclusion of this investigation and the adjudication of discipline against Officer Mike Rahn, he resigned his position with the Green Bay Police Department. Officer Mike Rahn resigned based on a separate internal investigation in which the Brown County District Attorney's Office determined that he was untruthful in the

execution of his law enforcement duties and was issued a "Brady/Giglio Letter", which indicated that he could not be used as a witness in court proceedings.

Lieutenant Rob Korth was not interviewed by the Professional Standards Division as he had resigned prior to Investigators having the opportunity to do so. Lt. Korth was placed on paid Administrative Leave on December 14, 2016 for his role in participating in, supporting or failing to act to prevent harassment, unbecoming conduct, discrimination and prohibited speech or conduct while working as a patrol Lieutenant. Information that was obtained from interviews of witnesses, victims and other officers that had participated in harassment, unbecoming conduct, and other unprofessional behaviors, it was determined that Lt. Korth would be relieved of his official law enforcement duties. Lt. Korth was notified that he was relieved of his law enforcement duties on January 3, 2017. On January 31, 2017, Lt. Rob Korth entered into a resignation agreement which ended his employment with the City of Green Bay and ended the investigation into his involvement in this internal investigation.

Officer Casey Masiak was not interviewed by the Professional Standards Division as he had resigned prior to Investigators have the opportunity to do so. Officer Masiak was placed on paid Administrative Leave on December 15, 2016 for his role in participating in harassment, unbecoming conduct, and other unprofessional behaviors. Information that was obtained from interviews of witnesses, victims and other officers that had participated in harassment, unbecoming conduct and other unprofessional behaviors, it was determined that Officer Masiak would be relieved of his official law enforcement duties. Officer Masiak was notified that he was relieved of his law enforcement duties on January 3, 2017. Officer Masiak entered into a resignation agreement which ended his employment with the City of Green Bay on February 28, 2017 and ended the investigation into his involvement in this internal investigation.

Members of the Green Bay Police Department shall conduct themselves, whether on or off duty, in accordance with the Policies and procedures of the Green Bay Police Department, the United States and Wisconsin Constitutions and all laws, ordinances and rules enacted or established pursuant to legal authority. It is important that each member of the Green Bay Police Department understand and are familiar with the policies and procedures of the Department and are responsible for complying with them.

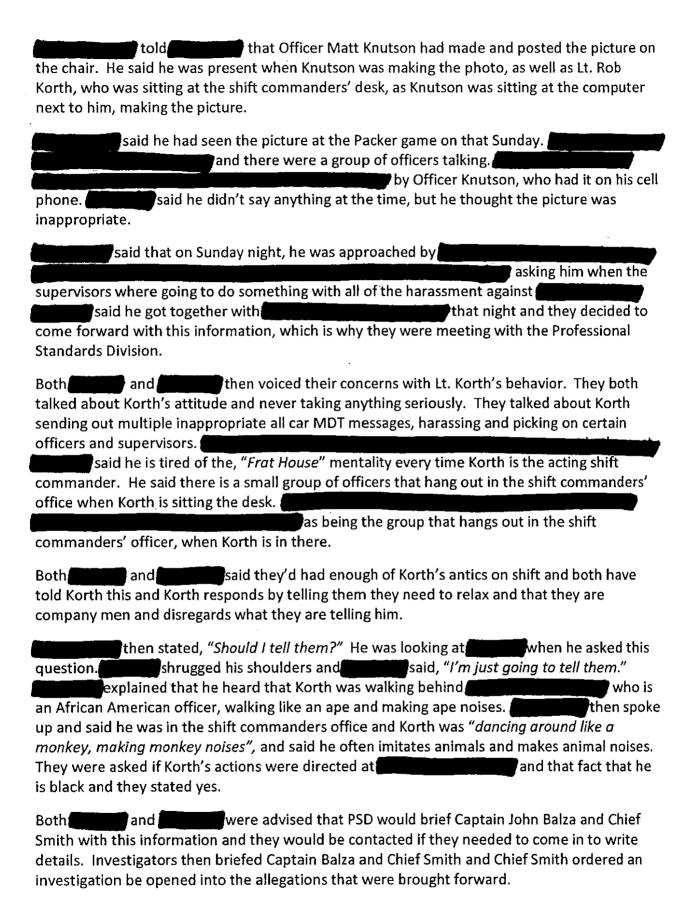
The investigation proved that these officers did not conduct themselves in accordance with policy based on the MDT messages that they sent, statements they made, or actions they took. These Officers should have known that the MDT messages that he sent, the statements they made, and the actions they took do not reflect the conduct of what a Green Bay Police Officer should be displaying.

The actions of these officers is considered to be unbecoming for a Police Officer of the Green Bay Police Department. These actions are contrary to the good order, efficiency and morale and will, and reflect unfavorably upon this Department and its members. These actions have

the probability of damaging the mission, reputation and professionalism of the Green Bay Police Department and its members in the eyes of the department and the public.

### **INITIAL INFORMATION**

On December 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2016, Investigator's from the Professional Standards Division received information from in reference to a possible workplace harassment complaint.
At approximately 0600 hours, Investigator's arrived at work and walked into the shift commander office and met with who stated he would come up to the PSD office shortly. A few minutes later, and and commander came into the Professional Standards Office and closed the door.
began by explaining that he was currently investigating allegations into possibly abusing sick time. He advised he received complaints on shift from officers that she is taking too much time off. He said that
said and some officers felt this was no appropriate for her to do, given said and after role call she was in full gear and came into the shift commanders' officer and said after he read the letter, he noticed she
contacted Cmdr. Paul Ebel and he was advised by Cmdr. Ebel to  Cmdr. Ebel advised him that they would look into the following Monday. Said that he then received complaints from officers that she was again on duty, because when said this prompted
him to look into her off time usage that he was working on with Cmdr. Ebel.  said on Saturday, December 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2016 into the morning of Sunday, December 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2016, at the end of the shift, he was walking up the stairs from the men's locker room and he saw. He said wasked him if he had seen the picture and showed him a picture text message that he had on his cell phone, which was a picture of with with a caption underneath saying, "Can't Work." The photo was taped to the back of the chair
said he told told he hoped he did not have anything to do with the photo and told him he did not.
investigating the origin of the photo. He advised that the photo. Was in the shift commanders' office and he asked him if he knew about the photo. When the photo did and that he did not have anything to do with it, but he knew who had made the picture.



Below is a list of alleged policy violations for the offender officers. The alleged policies violated differ dependent on a specific officer's involvement in the incident.

### 314.3.1 DISCRIMINATION

The Department prohibits all forms of discrimination, including any employment-related action by a member that adversely affects an applicant or member and is based on race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, genetic information, disability, military service, sexual orientation and other classification protected by law.

Discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment, is verbal or physical conduct that demeans or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual based upon that individual's protected class. It has the effect of interfering with an individual's work performance or creating a hostile or abusive work environment.

Conduct that may, under certain circumstances, constitute discriminatory harassment, can include making derogatory comments, crude and offensive statements or remarks, making slurs or off-color jokes, stereotyping, engaging in threatening acts, making indecent gestures, pictures, cartoons, posters or material, making inappropriate physical contact, or using written material or department equipment and/or systems to transmit or receive offensive material, statements or pictures. Such conduct is contrary to department policy and to the organization's commitment to a discrimination free work environment.

### 320.4 GENERAL STANDARDS

Members shall conduct themselves, whether on- or off-duty, in accordance with the United States and Wisconsin Constitutions and all applicable laws, ordinances and rules enacted or established pursuant to legal authority.

Members shall familiarize themselves with policies and procedures and are responsible for compliance with each. Members should seek clarification and guidance from supervisors in the event of any perceived ambiguity or uncertainty.

Discipline may be initiated for any good cause. It is not mandatory that a specific policy or rule violation be cited to sustain discipline. This policy is not intended to cover every possible type of misconduct.

### 320.5.3 DISCRIMINATION, OPPRESSION OR FAVORITISM.

Discriminating against, oppressing or providing favoritism to any person because of age, race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, ancestry, marital status, physical or mental disability, medical condition or other classification protected by law, or intentionally denying or impeding another in the exercise or enjoyment of any right, privilege, power or immunity, knowing the conduct is unlawful.

### 320.5.9 CONDUCT

- g. Discourteous, disrespectful or discriminatory treatment of any member of the public or any member of this department or the City.
- n. Any other on or off-duty conduct which any member knows or reasonably should know is unbecoming a member of this department, is contrary to good order, efficiency or morale, or tends to reflect unfavorably upon this department or its members.

### 1027.4 PROHIBITED SPEECH, EXPRESSION AND CONDUCT

To meet the department's safety, performance and public-trust needs, the following are prohibited unless the speech is otherwise protected (for example, an employee speaking as a private citizen, including acting as an authorized member of a recognized bargaining unit or officer associations, on a matter of public concern):

 Speech or expression made pursuant to an official duty that tends to compromise or damage the mission, function, reputation or professionalism of the Green Bay Police Department or its employees

# On the morning of December 13, 2016, Investigators interviewed and accompanying was companion was interviewed reference to some alleged hazing and harassment that she felt was happening on the night shift; and to paraphrase the meeting, she alleged that there is a cultural atmosphere of harassment mostly directed at her from officers and/or supervisors in the form of shaming her or embarrassing her either directly or through MDT messages and emails. She had previously known She saw as a possible friend and somebody that she could align herself when she came to a new police department.

stated that and that for the first couple of months she got along great with but there seemed to be a period of time where her relationship seemed to be influenced by his relationship with she was she described relationship as best friends at work as well as away from work. She stated
She stated that she cannot think of any significant event where something happened that would cause him to dislike her in the way that he does.
that the harassment started sometime in the middle of the summer in 2015.
him say one day in roll call, "It's a good night to get into a fight." She also stated
During the interview Investigators questioned on specifics as far as dates and times of incidents that she could remember where she felt that she had been harassed or picked on by Officer Masiak and/or other members of the night shift. Stated that it was her belief that the majority of the officers that she felt picked on her were the ones that were She had named Officer Tim Eickholt, Officer Kurt Brester, Officer Casey Masiak, Lt. Rob Korth and Officer Phuechi Xiong. Although she could not give any specific details or times about the other officers, she did come up with a number of specifics incidents in reference to Officer Masiak.
indicated that she believes that this happened at the  She stated that she and Officer Brester were assigned to a
. She stated that while she was on scene
She stated that Officer Masiak showed up on the call without being assigned and walked up to her and told her to, "Get out." stated that this was just one example of every time that she would go on a call with Officer Brester that he would either call her off over the radio or show up on the call and tell her to leave. She believed Lt. Paul Lewis may have also been present, because it was
stated that she was so bothered by this incident that she had confided in about it. She had not talked to anybody else reference this incident.

When asked why she left just because an officer told her to get out, her reply was she left because, "she did not want any confrontation with Officer Masiak."

INCIDENT 2 (Believed to be GBPD
This incident was believed to have been somewhere
Officer Masiak and Officer Brester had pulled over a car and while searching the car they
requested that come over and conduct a search of the female suspect in the
vehicle. Subsequent to the search, and the stated stated and the search of the search
which the female was later arrested and
charged with.
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She stated that Officer Masiek who was also an the call had welked up to have and told have not
She stated that Officer Masiak who was also on the call had walked up to her and told her not
to do details on the finding of the drugs. When we asked her why an officer would ask her not
to do details she replied,
stated that she was upset by this and at some point immediately after this
incident she spoke with the second of the second of the spress her concerns to him about it.
INCIDENT 3
This incident was believed to have occurred sometime
stated that she and
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At that time had gone to the front door of the house and was
approaching the house when Officer Masiak arrived and walked up to her and said, "OK you can
go", and used his thumb, in a fashion, basically ushering her off the call.
stated that later she again talked with
Masiak's conduct and she said that the said
She stated that she had also spoke with
in reference to these incidents and they were well aware of the history
between herself and Officer Masiak.
INCIDENT 4
This incident is believed to have occurred
pulled over a suspicious vehicle near the
During her investigation she smelled THC coming from the vehicle and
believed that there were drugs in the car and called for a K-9 dog to come sniff the car. At some
point she stated that Officer Masiak showed up and started to chastise her in front of the
suspects and the other officers, specifically saying, "Why the hell did you call for a dog." He
then attempted to educate her that she did not need a dog when she smelled marijuana and

and
After this call, she stated that she had had enough of the harassment from Officer Masiak and she had sent an MDT message that she wanted to meet up. She believes that they met up at the . At that time she told him that his actions were inappropriate and that if he had anything to tell her that he should talk to her after the call and not in front of suspects and/or fellow officers. Stated that this was the third time that she had reached out to Officer Masiak and indicated that his actions and threatening manners were inappropriate and that he should stop.
She again reiterated that  She stated that
She also stated that he frequently brags about all of the different women that he sleeps with and although he has never asked her out. She also commented that
INCIDENT 5  The time line on this incident is unknown, but the specifics were regarding a vehicle that was stuck on the railroad tracks in the snow and was dispatched. She stated that at the time there was a father and son in the vehicle and she did not make an arrest for Operating While Intoxicated (OWI), because she could not determine if the father or the son had been driving the vehicle. She stated at that time Officer Masiak showed up on the call and he was upset with her and berated her for not making an OWI when he thought that she had legal reason to do so.
stated on this particular night she was
At some point during her shift had called out with a reckless vehicle, which she knew automatically would require a cover officer to be dispatched. She stated that because she and have been been block away, they got on the radio and stated that they would cover with his reckless vehicle. According to have been been been been been been been be
According to Officer Masiak was upset because had been sent

message to all of the Green Bay police officers working, shortly after this. The message read something similar to, "Funny how they will take calls where there is no paperwork." believes that the believes the believes that the believes that the believes that the believes the believes that the believes the believes that the believes the be
Officer Masiak on the tone of the message. She remembers that she and
She stated that things did not change and in her words, "the harassment continued." She stated that the state of hers and she had told him about this incident and she thought that he had addressed it with Officer Masiak at some point.
At the end of her shift when she had come out of the locker room and was heading to the roll call room, at the come of the tables speaking with union representative Mike Rahn. When she walked into the room, they did not immediately see her and she overheard Mike Rahn tell Officer Masiak, "Don't worry we'll take care of you." She stated this was said in front of several other officers who she believed to be
Again she believed that this was a form of harassment and she was very upset about it. Instead of being confrontational, she just took a seat and waited until the end of her shift before she could leave work. She stated that later at some point, she spoke with about this incident.
This incident was believed to have happened somewhere around in the area of It would have involved a possible disturbance involving a domestic violence type of call. She stated that Officer Masiak and she were both dispatched to the call. While they were investigating the call, she wanted to confer with Officer Masiak on what his opinion was, if there was a violation of the law for domestic violence, or if it did not meet the statutory requirement of an arrest.
She stated at that time Officer Masiak had made a comment to her, "You should know what to do." She said that when he said this it was in a condescending way and the result was that no arrest was made on this call. She said again she was upset, because she thought that she was working as a team and when she had sought the advice from a fellow officer, she felt like she was shunned.
stated that in the last ten months, on approximately three different occasions, she has been on calls with Officer Masiak and she has heard suspects, victims or witnesses say, "Why are you talking to me in this way," referring to Officer Masiak. She stated that Officer Masiak
She stated that officers have commented to her about Officer Masiak's conduct when speaking

spoke with and with and with
INCIDENT 8  When she started working at the Green Bay Police Department, that she was friends with the started that she looked up to him and frequently would go to him with questions. She said at one point that the guys on night shift have problems with her because, "You take off too much." (Referring to off time usage.)
stated that when officers take off of the night shift that means there are fewer officers working, so those officers who are working are forced to take more calls than they normally would. She stated that when takes off, they also complain about her being gone as well.
INCIDENT 9  This incident is believed to have happened in said she believed that it was probably a male/female disturbance and that said and she were dispatched. She they had both pulled up to the address together. She stated that was knocking on the door and she was standing at the bottom of the stairwell waiting for the people inside to answer. At some point, there was a commotion or disturbance inside of the closed door, which prompted to start kicking open the door. She stated that from out of nowhere Officer Masiak arrived and he ran up the stairs and pushed her out of the way so he could help kick open the door. She used this incident as another example to show Officer Masiak's.  After this incident she stated that she did not have a conversation with either of them and she just left, again not wanting to have confrontation with them.
INCIDENT 10  This was believed to have happened in the stated that the state of the
She stated on this particular night, she was coming from because it was busy. She was going to drive down to the bar district of Washington Street, which is always busy. She stated her rationale for this was to show a presence on a busy bar populated road and to have a squad car drive by.

As she was driving by she noticed that Lt. Korth, Officer Masiak, Officer Brester, Officer Eickholt and Officer Xiong were all standing outside on the street next to a squad car, apparently ending or responding to a call. She said at that time, they were holding onto a female who was in

Later during her shift she had a conversation with vho said that Lt. Korth had made comments to him and the other officers that had no reason to be driving down on Washington Street and that basically they were all "talking shit" about her in front of her peers. **INCIDENT 11** This incident was believed to have occurred sometime She stated that Lt. Korth had sent her a series of MDT messages asking why she had left her squad running in the Green Bay Police Department parking lot and that the squad car had run out of gas. She stated that it was not her car and she had tried to message Lt. Korth back telling him that. She stated that Lt. Korth just kept sending her a series of MDT messages basically being confrontational with her and accusing her of letting her car run out of gas. To this day, she does not know whose squad car it was that ran out of gas, but she knows that it was not her car. She stated that she had spoken to be about this incident and had impressed upon him that she had no reason to lie specifically over MDT messages. She stated that she did not speak with Lt. Korth any further about this, because again she did not want any more confrontation, or to be picked on. **INCIDENT 12** stated that she believed this incident would have been had driven up on an open garage door that the normal protocol, because it could possibly be a burglary in progress, would be to call out over the radio and wait for backup to arrive before she initiated contact with the building. She stated that she knew that if she called out with this over the radio, which was at , she would be disturbing the other guys at the time they eat, or the time they hang out in the Shift Commander's Office. Knowing she was violating policy, she shined light around in the garage and she thought it was obvious that the owners had simply forgotten to close the garage door. She believes that she sent and MDT message to dispatch asking for a phone number for the key holder. She stated that she had a call made up through dispatch and she was able to get a hold of the key holder and they came down and secured the door. She stated that she would later be evaluated by and that she received 2's, which is a below average rating. She stated that she has never had 2's before in her reviews, which have always included 3's or 4's (Average and above average). She admitted that her response to this type of call was inappropriate and she did violate policy, but it was another reason not to have a target on her and be harassed by her peers.

handcuffs and was not struggling. She said as she drove by Washington Street on the way to

the Green Bay Police Department, they all stopped, turned and watched her drive by.

stated that
usually sit in the Shift Commander's Office with Lt. Korth between 0330-0530 hours, almost every morning when they are not on calls for service. She stated
She stated that they will frequently use each other's
computers to send out fake MDT messages to request an officer to come in to see the Shift Commander or to request some other duty as a joke.
communication to request some other duty as a joken
INCIDENT 13
stated that this incident occurred
She stated that she was quiet, there was really nothing to do and it was
She stated that the state of th
sitting in the Shift Commander's Office.
She stated that both of the Lieutenants were laughing at some joke that had been said. She stated that initially she had heard telling a story reference good looking girls and that was the reason that she believed that and Officer Eickholt had been initially laughing. She stated she heard part of it and was sitting in close proximity and they were laughing, so she was laughing to go along with them. She did not necessarily feel offended by what they had said, because this sort of thing, "goes on all the time."
She said at some point Officer Eickholt responded back with some story and then the laughing immediately tapered off. She did not hear what Officer Eickholt had said, but only heard say something to the effect of, "that was inappropriate." She stated that the next day was the Shift Commander and again
called in Officer Eickholt and had a closed door meeting with him. She believes
She stated that she felt that
She stated after Officer Eickholt had come out of the meeting with Eickholt walked by her work station 3-4 times and paid no attention to her, where he would normally stop and say, "Hi." It was
INCIDENT 14 (Believed to be GBPD Incident This incident is believed to have been a domestic violence incident that occurred approximately
that time, she was dispatched to the call with and a female had been arrested.
stated that she had put handcuffs on the female and stayed behind in the

County Jail. She stated at some point she sent a message to asking where her handcuffs were and he responded that Officer Masiak had actually transported the female and had her handcuffs. She stated that she contacted Officer Masiak and he either stated that he did not have the handcuffs, or refused to give them back.
This incident happened approximately where Officer Matt Knutson had taken a photograph of and blew it up into an 8" x 11" size piece of paper and taped it to the back of her chair. He also took another 8" x 11" piece of paper and had printed out in large font, something to the effect of, "Cant' work or won't work." Officer Knutson then took a photograph with his cell phone of the picture on the chair and texted it out to numerous friends, who are also Green Bay Police Officers. This occurred when was not at her chair and must have been away from her work station.
When Investigators informed of this, she stated that she had no knowledge of this and quoted, "I'm really pissed off about this." She expressed that this was another example of her being made fun of and harassed on her shift, She stated that to her knowledge, the posting of the picture must have happened on At that time, she believed that was the Shift Commander and she knows that Officer Masiak was in the office both of those nights, because she had seen him there (From GBPD work rosters, it is believed that this actually occurred on
stated that is a coworker and one of her confidentes at work. She stated that and she believes that both of them have the same issues with Officer Masiak. She stated that Officer Masiak does not like and at times, officers on the night shift refer to as a "know it all", "suck up", and "company man",
stated that the officers on night shift make fun of him about how he talks on the radio, because he has a specific dialect and at times is hard to understand.  believes that this is because the property holds his microphone too close when he speaks.  used this as yet another example on the how night shift officers had an attitude of picking on and harassing other officers.
Through her conversations with she stated that he has said things to her such as, "You wouldn't believe what these guys say about you girls in the locker room." stated that she is very offended by this and when she asked him what things were being said in the locker room, he refused to tell her, because they were, "Too bad."

was not sure of the time line or the location, but said she was dispatched to a call and asked to
While she was providing security for the three suspects, she said arrived on scene and asked her, "How's it been going." She believed that he was referring to the harassment that she had been receiving from the night shift officers. She responded back to something to the effect of, "Nothing ever happens when I report it." said said that said then took offense to what she had just said, and snapped back at her saying that he has been doing something about it.
further described the atmosphere of what it's like to work the night shift. She stated that most officers when they start their shift go outside and wait on "the wall." This is referring to the brick wall of the Police Department building on the Eastern lot, which is where officers will wait for squad cars to come in from the previous shift. She stated that almost all officers have their favorite cars, and the selection of these cars is by seniority. Most officers honor this unwritten rule of squad selection by seniority. She stated that occasionally supervisors will come outside tell them to get into cars, because of urgent pending calls for service. Any officer who takes a car that belongs to a senior officer who has not yet arrived out to the wall, will later be chastised by them.
incidents. She has tried to avoid contact with most of the officers on night shift, specifically in group. She does not call out on traffic stops any more, and recently did not call out on the open door (Incident 13), which potentially could have been a burglary in progress and could have compromised her safety.
She said she has gone to numerous supervisors about her perception of being harassed on the night shift. She has talked to her friends, family, and other police officers, and said this is her dream job (Police Officer) and she just does not know where to turn. She said that as a last resort, she had requested to post out of District and go to a different district. It is her understanding that had spoken with Commander Ebel about some of these issues she is having with Officer Masiak, but she is unsure what the outcome of that conversation was.
stated that officers on her shift make fun of her when she takes off of work. She is so stressed out because of the harassment, that she feels like she has to takes off of work every opportunity that she can. She does this so she doesn't have to come to work and face more possible harassment from her peers, specifically Officer Masiak.
stated that when shows the spoke with Captain
LePine about that incident and trouble she was having with Officer Masiak. She stated at one

point she approached Captain LePine in the parking lot and that she told him that she needed to get out of District and go to a different district.
She stated
When asked what would like done out of this investigation, she said she wanted two things to happen; number one is for Officer Masiak to grow up and be more mature, and number two she does not want to have to work with him again in the future.
stated
because when he logs on as the Shift Commander he always logs on as "Make NRC great again." It is believed that NRC stands for Night Rider Crew which signifies the closeness and camaraderie that the night shift officers have with each other.
INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER MATT KNUTSON PART 1 (Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2017)

Officer Matthew Knutson was hired with the Green Bay Police Department on February 8th, 2010. The Green Bay Police Department sponsored Officer Knutson in the Law Enforcement Recruit Academy at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College. Officer Knutson finished the Recruit Academy in May of 2010 and started the Field Training Program at the Green Bay Police Department. He completed the Field Training Program on time and with no deficiencies noted. Officer Knutson completed 484 hours of training while employed with the Green Bay Police Department, including the three in-service trainings each year of his employment. Officer Knutson is also a certified Field Training Officer.

Prior to his employment with the Green Bay Police Department, Officer Knutson attended the University of Wisconsin – Madison and completed 12 college credits. Officer Knutson then enlisted in the United States Air Force and served from February of 2002 – February 2006. While in the Air Force, he completed 12 college credits through Central Texas College. Officer Knutson finished his Bachelor's Degree in Criminology from The University of Southern Florida.

Officer Knutson became the center of internal investigation 16-542I, when it was discovered that he had printed a derogatory employee picture of and posted the picture at her work station when she caption on the picture, which stated "I can't work." This was an obvious concern as it was in direct conflict with several policies including General Standards of Conduct; Discrimination and Favoritism; Discrimination based on protected classes; Use of Social Media; and Prohibited Content.

During the course of this investigation, Officer Knutson was interviewed on four different occasions. The primary reasons for multiple interviews with Officer Knutson was because of a

concern that he was not providing investigators with complete and truthful information related to the investigation. Officer Knutson was relieved of his patrol duties and was placed on Administrative Duty on January 11th, 2017. Officer Knutson was re-instated to his patrol duties on January 24th, 2017 after his third interview where he provided, what appeared to be, more complete answers to the investigators questions. Officer Knutson is believed to have been assigned to the night shift on September 28, 2010. He then transferred to the day shift almost five years later on November 1, 2015.

The first interview with Officer Knutson was on December 13th, 2016. Present at the interview was Officer Knutson was issued the Formal Complaint Against Personnel which listed the policy violations that he was alleged to have violated. Include in these policy violations were the following policies:

320.4 — Standards of Conduct
320.5.3 — Discrimination
320.5.9 — Standards of Conduct/Conduct

314.3.1 – Discrimination Prohibited/Discrimination 342.2 – Department Use of Social Media

342.5 - Social Media/Prohibited Content

Officer Knutson requested that the policies be read to him, which was done and he said that he understood each of the policies and was able to explain each of the policies in his own words. It was clear to investigators that he had a strong understanding of these policies based on his explanation of what each policy means and he knew that he should go to a supervisor if he had any questions related to any policy question.

Officer Knutson was asked specifically if he had talked to anyone about this investigation and he said that he had talked to the people who he sent the picture to. When asked about his, he said that he had used his cellphone camera to take a photo of the picture he had posted of and he had sent the picture to t and ( The said that he was "not exactly sure on everybody" he sent the picture to. and he said, "Not Very.". He was asked to He was asked how well he knows elaborate on this and and he described this interaction as "it went fine." He was asked if he understood that posting the picture of an analysis and being critical of her work status can be construed as harassment, to which he said "yes." Officer Knutson was asked if he posted the picture of with the caption "Can't work", and he said, "Yes, it said I can't work." He was asked if he was with another employee when he printed and posted the picture of When asked who printed and posted the picture, Officer Knutson again

work station. He also confirmed that he took a photo of the picture with his cell phone and sent the picture attached to the text message to five other Green Bay Police Department employees. He said that he early deleted the text message, so he was not exactly sure on who he sent the picture to.
Officer Knutson was asked what his relationship was like with and he replied that does not have a relationship with her. He was asked why he would print and post this picture and he said that he heard a rumor that completed a tactical instructor course. Upon returning to work, she dressed in full uniform, brought her (duty) bag to her car and then said "I can't work." Officer Knutson said that according to the shift commander, she was unable to perform her duties. He was asked if he was sure if this incident actually happened. Officer Knutson responded by saying that he was not sure of anything, and he reiterated that got in full uniform and went out to her car and said I forgot I can't work." Officer Knutson was told that this was not what occurred and was given the facts that the attended a course that was related to core strength for law enforcement and was not a tactical instructor course.
acknowledged this and said that he understood. He also said that he heard that was bumped from a vacation pick, which did or did not play into this situation. Officer Knutson was making the assumption that she went because she was upset about getting bumped from her vacation selection during the holidays. By her being on would now be able to take off.
Officer Knutson was asked if he felt his actions of printing and posting the picture of was appropriate or if it was a violation of policy. He said it was a violation. He was asked if he was aware of anyone else who had posted a picture of an employee that had been critical of that employees work status.  He was again asked if he knew of anyone that posted a photo of another employee that was critical of someone's
Officer Knutson was asked if he knew of anyone else who should be interviewed in reference to this issue.  (Officer Knutson) admitted to doing it.  He was asked if Lt.  Korth told him to make the photo about
He was asked about when walked into the shift commander's
office

Officer Knutson was asked what prompted him to post this picture of
Officer Knutson was asked if there was anything else that he wanted to talk about related to this investigation and he said, "It wasn't of malicious intent, that's all I got." Officer Knutson was given the order not to discuss the investigation with anyone other than his wife, the association representation or others that are included in the considered covered by the privilege exception. He stated that he understood and the interview was ended.
While proceeding with this investigation and reviewing the first interview with Officer Knutson, it was found that there were some inconsistencies and possible omissions with Officer Knutson's responses to the questions. Officer Knutson was ordered to meet with investigators again on December 14, 2016. Officer Knutson was told that they were looking to clarify some of the issue that were discussed with him back on December 13th during his first interview.
Officer Knutson was reminded that he told investigators that he heard a rumor about and why he was asked if he remembered where that rumor came from a heard this rumor on the night that he posted the picture of him that this was a pretty specific rumor and Officer Knutson.
He was asked who (from night shift), supervisors, patrol officers,  He was asked if the rumor was locker room
Investigators then confirmed with Officer  Knutson that "you don't remember who at all?"  He was asked if the and Lt. Korth had a conversation about it
Officer Knutson was asked again if there was any conversation between him and Lt. Korth about putting up the picture

photo of when he is normally assigned to the day shift. Officer Knutson said that he was working overtime on OWI patrol (Operating while intoxicated patrol) and he had stopped in at the shift commander's desk to turn in some paperwork. He was again asked what triggered him to print and post the picture of He said, "Um, seeing the empty chair probably." He was again asked to clarify who he had text the photo to,
and He was asked if he had any conversations prior to this with these officers as it related to He was asked why he sent the text to these specific officers,
Investigator again attempted to have Officer Knutson remember and explain who he heard the rumor from about
Officer Knutson was asked if knew about the picture
Officer Knutson was again asked about his conversation with Lt. Korth, as it related to on the night the picture was made and posted on her chair. He was asked who initiated the conversation about why chair was vacant, and who that conversation was within the Shift Commanders office.  He was asked what sparked the conversation
Officer Knutson was asked if there was any other conversation with Lt. Korth about He was asked if he didn't remember of if he didn't know if Lt. Korth said anything else about
Was asked what happened after this conversation with Lt. Korth and he said that he logged onto the other computer at the shift commanders desk and made a picture and a caption that said, "I can't work." He then posted the caption on pempty chair and took a photo of it. He said he took down the caption and put it in the shredder. Officer Knutson was asked if Lt. Korth had a reaction to his

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Knutson was asked who	was talking with	
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was asked if he could guess who it w		
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Officer Knutson was asked if he the	re were any incidents, conversations, c	or concerns with
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was asked if he addressed any of his	s concerns with supervisors, or the trai	ning division

	He said that he was not trying to cover
anything up or be deceptive.	
	second interview with Officer Knutson was
concluded at this point.	

The investigation into the conduct of several officers continued into January of 2017. During interviews with other officers and supervisors, more information related to Officer Knutson's involvement and knowledge of posting the picture of and and misconduct related to his involvement with bullying and harassment. Based on interviews with Officers and Supervisors that he named in his second interview, it was clear that Officer Knutson was omitting information and was answering questions with self- servicing responses in an attempt to limit his responsibility for his actions.

Officer Knutson was placed on Administrative Duty on January 11th, 2017 and was assigned to a position where he would not have contact with other officers or the public. On January 19th, 2017, Officer Knutson was interviewed for a third time. Officer Knutson was reminded that all the previous instructions and policy violations were still in place for this interview. Officer Knutson said that he wanted to get on the record and say that he was not prepared for the interview at all (previous two interviews) and did not know if it was "nerves or whatever", but he did not feel that he had time to review the incident. He said, "Frankly when I was asked those questions, I didn't remember at the time." Officer Knutson went on to say that he had a number of sleep cycles since then, along with a number of hours and a chance to sit and replay in his mind of exactly how it went down.

Officer Knutson made mention that he did not feel that he was done answering a question and another question was presented to him and he was not sure if he was rushed. Officer Knutson was reminded that he has been through interviews in the past and he should understand that if he has more to say he can say it and he agreed with this. Officer Knutson was told that part of the frustration with his lack of providing complete information when Investigators knew there was more information that he should have provided. He said that he agreed with this and wanted to get everything out on the table.

Officer Knutson was reminded that he told Investigators that he has no connection to and has no relationship with her. He was told that in the course of the investigation, we had interviewed 20 or more officers and had reviewed MDT messages from those involved in this investigation. It was clear that Officer Knutson's MDT messages showed a pattern of behavior that was in violation of policy and appeared to be focused on Investigators reviewed the following MDT messages that Officer Knutson sent, received or responded to:

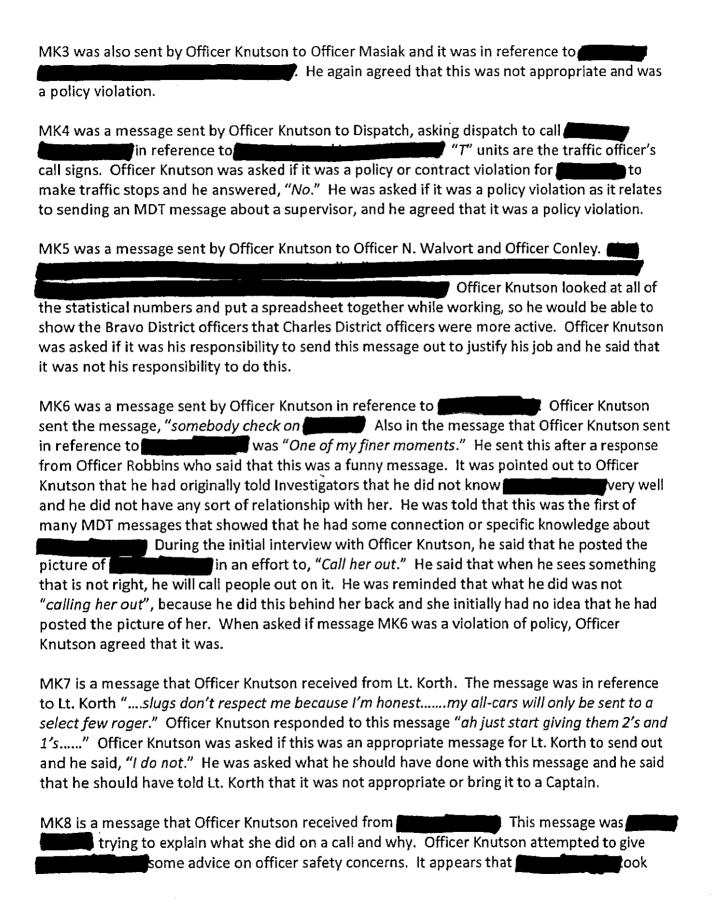
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Number	To/from	Date	Subject 1997 1999	Victim	vilated
MK1	B. Stanton	06/11/2015	what a waste of my time and makes me look like an a\$\$		Yes
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	R. Korth		WOW Award for the last of the		
MK2	n. Rojen	06/13/2015	work than all afternoon shift Officers		Yes
MK3	Masiak	6/13/2015	Not so awesome now, broken down huh		Yes
MK4	Dispatch	06/13/2015	Call him next time		Yes
MK5	All car	7/7/2015	Message was reference to statistic broken down by district	District night officers	Yes
	message	77772013		Tilgite Officers	163
MK6	All car message	06/14/2015	SOMEBODY CHECK ON abducted, I think Crisis might've abducted her.		Yes
			Apparently the slugs don't respect because im honest	Selected	
			and call them out so from this point forward, my all cars will only be a select few people, rgr?	night shift officers	
Мк7	R. Korth	07/13/2015	r. that's a good all car		Yes
			I'm sorry you think that I handled this call so poorly, I was		
MK8	S. Dantoin	08/23/2015	just doing what my sr officer told me to do		No
	Masiak, M.	00/20/2045	How did I get stuck at KT?		Vas
MK9	Rahn	08/23/2015	WTF?		Yes
			Better not have been more than 2 at the PD.		
MK10	Masiak	08/23/2015	probably wants to take me to jail then since I hurt her feelings 🟵		Yes
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			Manitowoc county line. Knutson response – I don't want to, I don't like you.		
MK11	R. Korth	08/29/2015	Why doesn't he don't want to, I don't like you.		Yes
			Or I will tell her I got a complaint, up to you.		
MK12	R. Korth	08/30/2015	Tell your girl she can slow down toono need to drive 60 on main to cut me off and get to your stop		Yes
MK13	Masiak V Brostor	09/17/2015	Oh, meleftweird status "out at headquarters", just reached 1000 min		Yes
MK14	K. Brester, Masiak	09/25/2015	for the month of sept.		Yes
MK15	R. Korth	10/07/2015	County complain on me?	County Sgt.	No
			Oh, just like your sister, 80 min		•
MK16	Masiak	10/09/2015	Knutson was made aware of on Sept 25 <sup>th</sup>		Yes
MK17	Masiak	10/09/2015	I really don't want to do too much with the people is		Yes

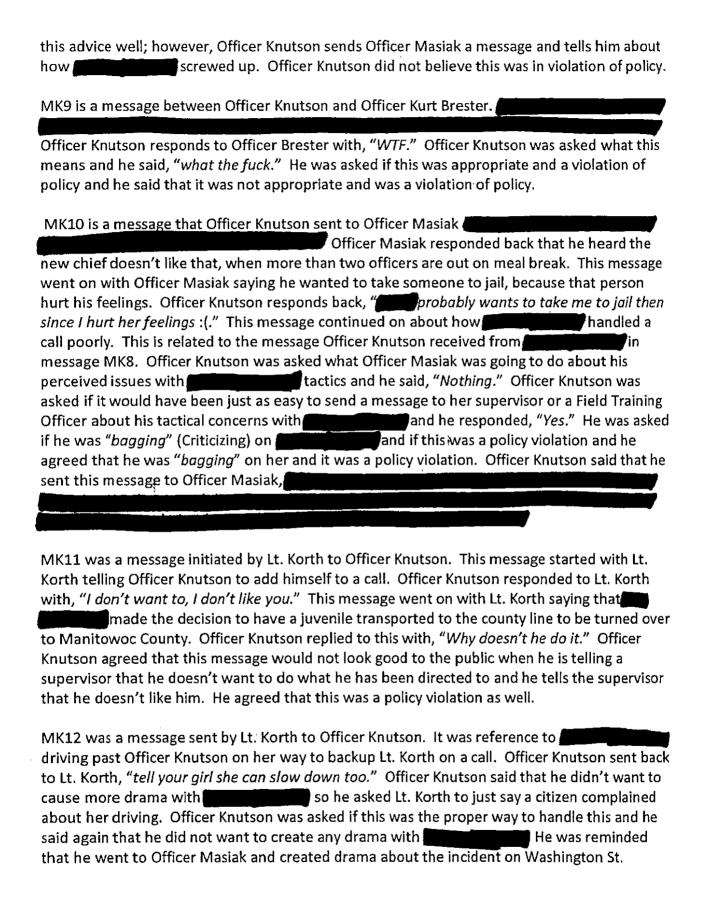
			tonight.	Officers	
MK18	All Car	12/16/2015	Disregard all his messages he had too much Kool-aid today	Lt. Korth /	Yes
MK19	Angela Knutson	03/16/2016	Biemeret apparently has an 'N' added to it and is pronounced "beer-mint" seriously people, and its someone that's not new		Yes
MK20	All Car message	03/24/2016	Lets play a game try to figure out where		No
MK21	Engelbrecht	05/23/2016	That's because I've been reading lexipol all morningknowledge is power©		Yes
MK22	All Car message	06/26/2016	Trivia question. How many Goof Troop squads still in the lot?		Yes
MK23	All Car message	06/26/2016	Anyone have a flashlight I can borrow?	R. Korth	no
MK24	Masiak	07/08/2016	You better hang out in sonight	3	Yes
MK25	Masiak	07/08/2016	So she's in the river		Yes
MK26	Bahl, Masiak, Spoerl, Eickholt, Xiong	11/13/2016	I will never come take an OWI for a large againever		Yes
MK27	All Car Message	11/13/2016	Can't find mainmuseum on my map	2	Yes
MK28	All Car message	11/27/2016	over the top. Think there's some truth to that driving thing		Yes
MK29	R. Korth-All car message	12/11/2016	HOW COME AND NEVER FIGHT OVER TAKING CALL?	3	Yes

The review of Mobile Data Terminal messages showed that there were several concerning messages. Of the 29 messages listed above (MK1-MK29) Officer Knutson admitted that there was a policy violations for 25 of the messages.

When asked about message MK1, Officer Knutson agreed that this message would not look good to the public as he had essentially spelled out the word "Ass" using \$ in place of the "S." Officer Knutson agreed that this was a policy violation.

MK2 was sent by Officer Knutson and was in reference to a control of the control





MK13 was a message sent by Officer Knutson to Officer Masiak in reference to The message was, "oh left weird." Officer Knutson said that he sent the message, because of his observation that takes off a lot of time. He was asked if this was a violation of policy and he said that it was.
MK14 was a message sent by Officer Knutson to Officer Kurt Brester, Officer Masiak and The message was, "Status out at headquarters," with the subject line being, "just reached 1,000 minutes for the month of September." Officer Knutson then sends out, "new union proposal four off in the book unless you're" Officer Knutson was asked if the blank was for and and he said, "I believe so." Officer Knutson went on to say that he was made aware, later in the shift that was having and this is why she had spent time at the station. Officer Knutson received a message from that explained that and he responded to in a message that said, "I didn't realize now I feel like a jerk." Officer Knutson agreed that this message was "nothing positive" and a policy violation.
MK15 was a message sent by Officer Knutson to Lt. Korth. Officer Knutson asked Lt. Korth if the County (Brown County Sheriff's Office) had complained on him. Officer Knutson explained that this was related to the County asking for GBPD to transport a juvenile runaway from Green Bay, home to his mother in the County. Officer Knutson said that he did not say anything to the deputy, but felt that he would get complained on. Lt. Korth responded to his message saying that the County was just "whining." It was determined that this was not a policy violation.
MK16 was a message sent by Officer Knutson to Officer Masiak. Officer Knutson sent, "what are you doing?" to officer Masiak. Officer Masiak responded, "Driving around." Officer Knutson sends back to Officer Masiak, "You have been on admin for 2 hours." Officer Masiak sends back, "LOL I forgot to clear myself." Officer Knutson sends back to Officer Masiak, "oh just like your sister, 80 min Officer Knutson was reminded of message MK14 where he was told by that the message was not appropriate and a policy violation.
MK17 is a message sent to Officer Knutson from Officer Masiak. Officer Masiak sent to Officer Knutson, "I really don't want to do too much with people in tonight." Officer Knutson responds with, "IDK why would you ever say that."
Officer Knutson agreed that this was a policy violation.
MK18 is an all car message sent out by Officer Knutson. In this message he sent, "Disregard all his messages he had too much Kool-Aid today." Officer Knutson was asked what this was about
He was asked if police officers should not abide by policy and he agreed that officers should be abiding by policy. This was identified as a policy violation.

MK19 is a message that Officer Knutson received from Angela Knutson, who is an employee in the records division of the Green Bay Police department. The message from Angela was, "Biemeret apparently has an N added to it and it is pronounced Beerment seriously people and it's someone that isn't new." Officer Knutson sent back, "who?" Angela sent back to Officer Knutson, "Officer Knutson was asked if he had ever had a conversation about his issues or concerns with and he responded, "I'm sure I have." Officer Knutson was again reminded of his response to Investigators when he said that he has no connection to and does not know much about that Officer Knutson has had conversations about with Angela. He agreed that this was a policy violation.
MK20 is an all-car message sent by Officer Knutson with, "lets play a game try to figure out where see is."
This message shows that Officer Knutson is more engaged in sending out messages and focusing on others, as opposed to performing his duties as a police officer.
MK21 is a message sent by Officer Knutson to Lt. Engelbrecht, "That's because I've been reading Lexipol all morning knowledge is power." Officer Knutson was asked what the "knowledge is power" portion of the message means,
Officer Knutson agreed that this was inappropriate for him to use and to reference in a message.
MK22 is an all-car message, sent by Officer Knutson, "Trivia question how many goof troop squads still in the lot?" Officer Knutson confirmed that he was calling the goof troopers. This is a derogatory term toward the goof and Officer Knutson confirmed that this was a policy violation.
MK23 is an all-car message that Officer Knutson sent out related to Lt. Korth giving him a hard time for leaving night shift and now working day shift. Officer Knutson's message was asking if anyone had an extra flashlight, because he knew that Lt. Korth was going to send out an annoying message about him working days now. Officer Knutson said that he did not think this was a policy violation on his part, but he was asked if he felt it was appropriate for a supervisor to be sending this type of message out. He agreed that this was not appropriate for a superviso to send out messages that were annoying or inappropriate as it relates to subordinates.
MK24 is a message that Officer Knutson received from Officer Masiak. Officer Masiak sent, "you better hang out in B tonight." Officer Knutson responded back, "why is that." Officer Masiak said "Guess LOL." Officer Knutson responded with "I already know."
He agreed that this was a policy violation.

MK25 is a message sent by Officer Knutson to Officer Masiak. His message was "so she is in the river." Officer Knutson continues with, "Don't think she's quite had the mic shoved down her throat enough with that all that background breathing I hear either." Officer Knutson said that this message was about and how she uses the radio. He was again asked if it was appropriate to talk behind her back and he said no and he agreed that this was a policy violation.
MK26 is a message that Officer Knutson sent to Officer Bahl, Officer Masiak, Officer Spoerl, Officer Eickholt and Officer Xiong. The message was, "I will never take an OWI for again ever." Officer Knutson was asked what, "was, and he said this was referring to Officer Knutson was asked why he was calling and he said it was related to a Keenan and Peele sketch. He was asked if this was a video that was laced with highly racially charged humor and Officer Knutson replied "Yes, from what I can remember." Officer Knutson was asked how it started that he called He said that it started with referring to And Was referred to as White And Was referred to as Black Officer Knutson was asked if he ever referred to as Black and he said that he was sure that he had. He was asked if this was potentially a racist comment and he agreed that it was. Officer Knutson was asked if he could remember anyone else who used the name Black
Officer Knutson understood that this message was inappropriate and was a policy violation.
Officer Knutson was asked if he had ever heard of or seen the walk.  During the course of the investigation, investigators were told that some supervisors and possibly officers were imitating how walks, but also imitated how an ape walks. Officer Knutson demonstrated the walk
MK27 is an all car message that Officer Knutson sent about alling out on the police radio that she was at Main and Museum. He was asked if it was appropriate to call out another officer over MDT and he said that it was not appropriate and it was a policy violation.
MK28 is an all car message that Officer Knutson sent out about The message was an all car message that Officer Knutson sent out about The message was an all car message that Officer Knutson sent out about the top. Think there's some truth to that driving thing." Officer Knutson was asked what this was about and he said it was related to a stereotype of how the said it was asked if this was appropriate and he said "no." He was asked if this was a policy violation and he said "yes."

MK29 is an all car message sent by Officer Knutson in reference to "How Come and never fight over taking calls." He admitted the message was a "bag" (criticism) on and and a company over who is or is not taking calls in their assigned zones or districts. He said that this was inappropriate and a policy violation.
This was the conclusion of the MDT review with Officer Knutson. He was asked if he thinks that the MDT messages that he sent and the messages that he responded to, contributed to some of the harassment issues that were happening on the night shift, and he said "yes." He was also asked if these messages could be viewed as racially charged and inappropriate and not at all what we are about at the Green Bay Police Department, and he agreed with this as well. Officer Knutson also agreed that this behavior has created what could be viewed as a hostile work environment.
Officer Knutson said that all of this is not reflective of his character and it is not how he wishes to present himself. He again said that he was embarrassed. Investigators talked with Officer Knutson about the initial interview with him, specifically his response to the question of "how well do you know and "what is your relationship with think went poorly." Officer Knutson elaborated on this and said, "In hindsight to my interviews that I think went poorly." He said that he could have elaborated on his answers to these questions and he developed his opinion of the based on what others had told him about her. He said that he did not directly know much about her tactics, performance, admin time, and all the things that were brought up, but basically this was a second-hand opinion of her.
Officer Knutson was asked about what he remembered about the rumor of
During his initial interviews,  In the second interview with Officer Knutson,
Officer Knutson was then asked about showing officers the picture he took of the photo that he

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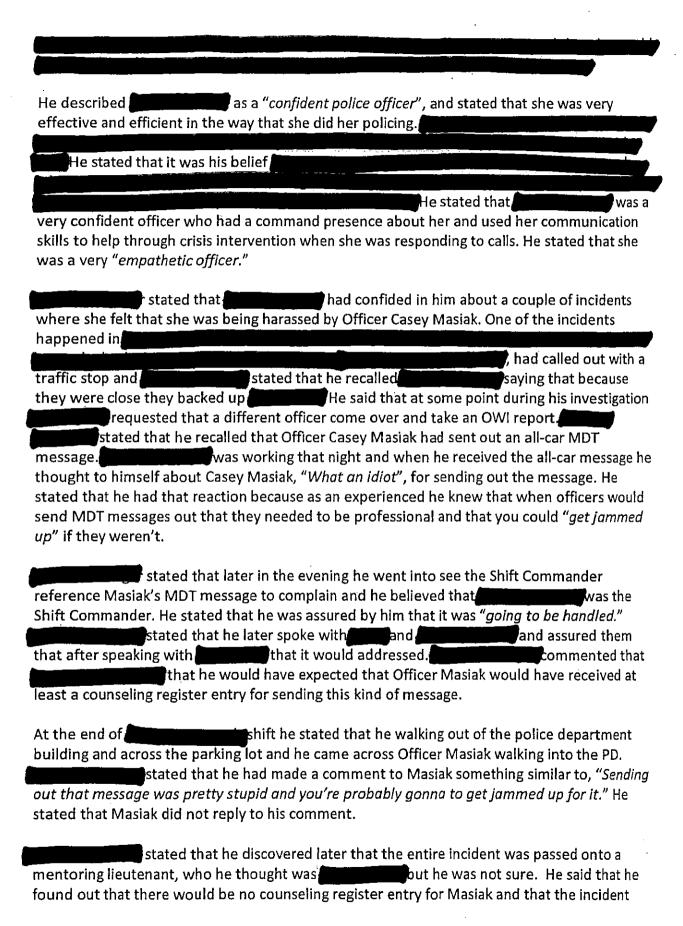
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Officer Knutson then talked about the night that he printed the picture of posted it on the picture of the picture, sent out the text message of the picture, took
down the picture, and shredded it. He said that he shredded it because he felt that it could be seen in a negative light. Officer Knutson was asked if this means that he knew it was inappropriate and he agreed that he knew it was.
Officer Knutson was asked to recall the events that led up to him posting the picture of the said that he was working OWI patrol overtime, and had made an OWI arrest, he stopped in the shift commander's office to turn in his paperwork
Officer Knutson said that the he
looked at the chair where had been working was.
Officer Knutson said that this was when he printed, posted and took
photos of employee picture.
Officer Knutson was asked if Lt. Korth knew that he was making the picture
He was asked what Lt. Korth said,
He was asked if Lt. Korth told him that this wasn't a
good idea or if he told him to take it down
Officer Knutson was asked if Lt. Korth had done the walk" in derogatory terms toward
and or if he knew of Lt. Korth using derogatory comments toward a
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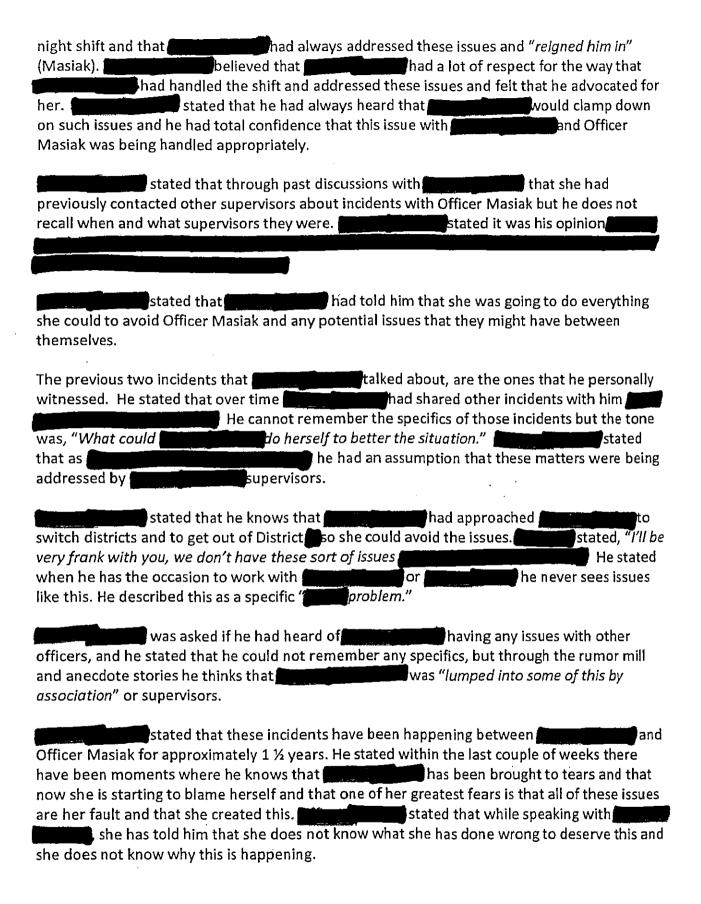
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Officer Knutson was asked what this means and he said "Just N word Being N word."
Officer Knutson was asked to explain the context in which Lt. Korth used the "N" word or the "JNBN" term.
Officer Knutson was asked if he could recall if any other supervisors used these terms
Officer Knutson was asked to elaborate more on the Walk." He was asked if he could see the racial undertones of this and
Officer Knutson was asked if he could recall any other comments that officers had made
Officer Knutson talked about the fact that
Officer Knutson was asked if there was a sediment from senior officers to junior officers that "You're here but you're not part of the team yet."

Officer Knutson was asked if he has ever felt that he has been harassed or discriminated against and he said that he does not feel that he has. He asked what he has learned from this situation and he responded that he has learned what not to do and what he should have done. He has learned what real leadership is and that he has made some mistakes. This ended our third interview with Officer Knutson.

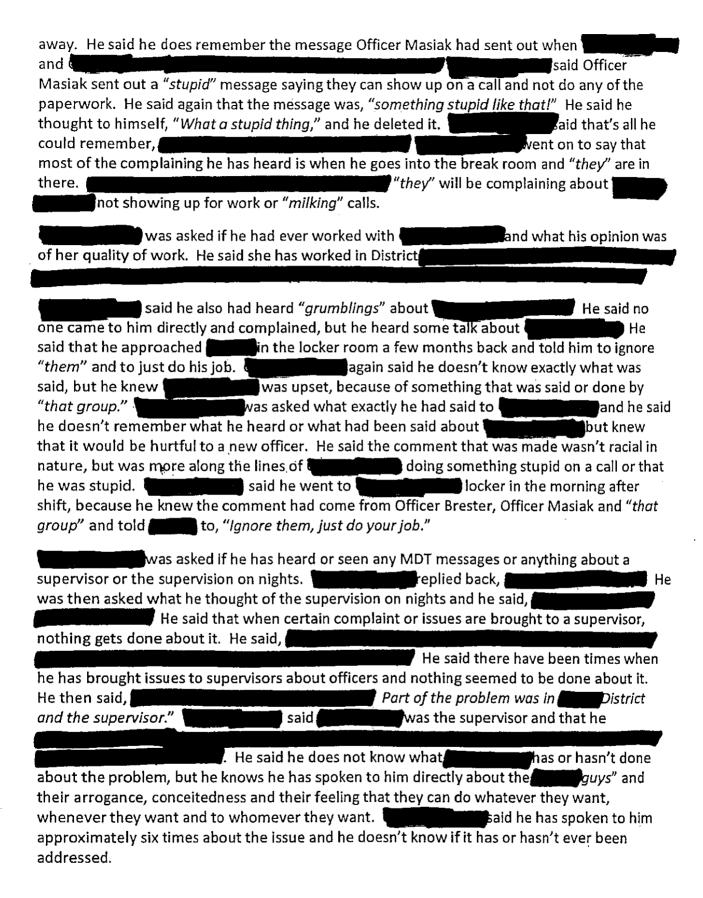
On January 23rd, 2017, Officer Knutson came to the Professional Standards Division and
Investigators met with Officer Knutson on January 24th, 2017 to take his official statement in regards to this additional information.
Officer Knutson was also asked if he had heard anything about Officer Masiak stealing or not giving her handcuffs back.
This ended the follow-up interview with Officer Knutson.
LIEUTENANT ROB KORTH AND OFFICER R. CASEY MASIAK DISPOSITION
As noted in the Executive Summary, no interviews were conducted with Lt. Korth or Officer Masiak, as both submitted resignations during the course of the internal investigation and prior to be interviewed.
INTERVIEW WITH
On December 15, 2016, at approximately 1520 hours, Professional Standards Investigators met with and interviewed was interviewed as a witness officer because he was believed to have been
stated that he had known before she was employed by the Green Bay Police Department

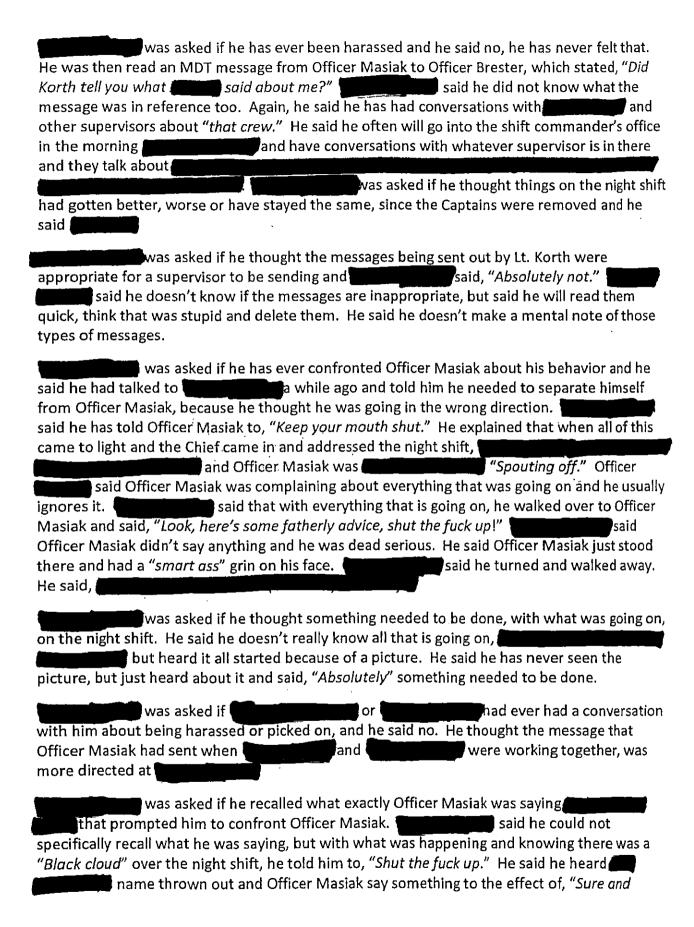


but was not sure and he was not positive that it was believed he was told this information by mentoring lieutenant. When asked if it could have been Lt. Korth who handled this issue he stated that he was not sure.
He stated that
there was no question that Officer Masiak's MDT message was specifically meant for and and but he still felt obligated that he had come forward and report this to the Shift Commander.
with both and reference to them walking into roll call and hearing a conversation about how they were being talked about. It happened at the end of their shift and they were walking into roll call and as they walked in they heard somebody speaking to Officer Masiak and said something to the effect of, "Don't worry we got your back, nothing's going to happen." Said that he remembers this incident very well because the conversation he had with the described her as being very upset about what she had overheard and she had made the comment to the described her as being very upset about what she had overheard and she had made the did not blame for the way she felt about this incident.
The second incident that stated that stated he recalled involving was the night of a SWAT call. He stated that
He stated that it was a potential barricaded subject situation where shots had been fired the subjects had been taken into custody.  and at some point was on the call and had made the comment to the group of officers standing inside of the house, "whose call is this?"  Said at that time, Officer Masiak was present, along with a group of other officers, an Officer Masiak said, "It's stated he was there when this conversation was taking place and he recalls saked where was.  Officer Masiak responded with something to the effect of, "Doing everything she can to avoid paperwork, probably out on perimeter."  Said there were other officers on scene and he is positive that they had heard the comment that Officer Masiak made to the Believed a couple of those officers were
stated that he just kind of tucked the comment in the back of his mind and when the call was over, he had contacted of find out what was going on. He stated that he does not recall if it was in person or through an MDT message. He stated that when he talked to the back of his mind and of it was in person or through an MDT message. He stated that when he talked to the back of his mind and of its was in person or through an MDT message. He stated that when he developing and he was trying to figure out exactly what was the reason was that Officer Masiak had such issues with the back of his mind and when he was on the



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that was enough and he confronted him.
was asked if he had been contacted by anyone or talked to anyone about the night shift investigation, prior to his interview. He said he talked to had told him what he thought about it.
said, "We all goof around with each other, but if it's
gotten to the point that we're here, then it must be out of hand."
said, from what he has heard about the things going on at the police department, He said he did recently hear that someone made another person cry and that he has never heard that happen before in the past.
was then asked if he had ever remembered any other supervisor who had sent out MDT messages in the same manner as Lt. Korth, and said, "No!" said he is aware of the messaging, asked how does he go to Lt. Korth and tell him to knock it off. He said Lt. Korth is a supervisor and it is not his place to tell a supervisor to stop doing something.
said if he would have known about the personal "ribbing" of another officer to the point of that person being in tears, he would have put an end to it. He said nothing like that has occurred in his presence. Opined this activity is directly related to when the Captains removed from the shifts. He said the Lieutenants don't have that one person to go to. He said, "We don't have that big toe on the foot to go to."
said he heard that was the one that was brought to tears from being "ribbed." He said he can't recall who told him or who it was that made her cry, but he can only assume it is the same people we had been talking about. He said he heard that she did something on a call and "they", "ribbed" her to the point where she was crying. He said that whoever told him that, he remembered telling them it was completely wrong if it had happened.  and it could have been that told him about the being made to cry.
was then asked if he thought the involved officers were following what one of their supervisors (Lt. Korth) was doing or if it was a learned behavior.
then said that Lt. Korth has been in charge of District C for a long time and he
could not give specific dates or examples of this, was asked to give an example of what he was talking about

said it's there and you can kind of see it. He said he was talking with and he told the was talking what their
Lieutenant is doing. Said this is just his opinion. Said he could not give any specific examples, and he sees it.
was asked if he has seen a change in the latter he had a talk with him, telling him he needed to separate himself from Officer Masiak.  Said he had. He said he has had that talk with the latter had few times and has definitely seen a change in his behavior.  Was asked if he felt the change in latter was because of the talk he had with him and he said he did not know.  Said he was not sure if anyone else had talked with the latter had confronted Officer Masiak.  Said after he had confronted Officer Masiak the latter had said something to Officer Masiak.  Said that Officer Masiak would not listen to him.
was asked if he thought there was a "ring leader" for what was going on with the shift. In his opinion,
He said he doesn't know what any supervisors have, or have not done, to address it with him. He has heard Officer Masiak make jokes about Captains in roll call before, and he did not think it was appropriate for a new officer to being doing that. He explained that it used to be "Taboo" to make fun of a Captain. He said they used to make fun of each other, and that was ok.
was asked if he thought Lt. Korth's actions undermined what other supervisors were trying to accomplish. He said he thinks of it like divorced parents and how one parent is the disciplinarian and the other allows the child to get away with whatever they want.
He said "Yes", meaning Lt. Korth's actions do undermine the other supervisors.
was asked if he remembered any of the Captains addressing roll call, or anyone having gone to a Captain about issues that were not addressed and said, "No." He was asked if anyone had made comments about Captains that were on the shift and he said, "No." He did say he remembered Masiak making a comment one time, when was down in roll call, but did not remember what it was. He did say that had recently addresses roll call, telling them that there is a "line" and that "line" should not be crossed.
basically said there is a fine line with harassment and he told them to "Knock it off."

was asked if there was anyone else he thought we should talk too in regards to this investigation and he said no.
He was advised that this was an active investigation and that he should not talk about it with anyone other than his union representation. He was told if he remembered anything or had any questions about what we discussed, to contact the Professional Standards Division.
Investigators concluded the interview at this time. A short time later can be and advised us that had some additional information that he wanted to tell us. Investigators then went back into the conference room and continued the interview.
said he does not know what made him think of this situation and prefaced, that he does not know who, or when he was told about the incident, but knew it was started by a supervisor. He said he heard the incident occurred downstairs in the basement of the Department and was walking in front of Lt. Korth and Lt. Korth made gestures like a gorilla, behind was walking in front of Lt. Said he just thought of it and doesn't know when it happened, or who had told him about it.
about this incident. did say that after hearing about the incident.
was asked if he thought it would have been funny if he witnessed Korth doing this and he said, "Absolutely not!"
was then asked if he has ever witnessed an atmosphere in the shift commanders office, being like a "frat house" when Lt. Korth is the shift commander. Said that he has seen six to eight people gathered in the shift commander's office, sitting all around the counters and chairs, when Lt. Korth is in there. He said it was more camaraderie and "they" (Several officers) would be in there joking around. He said it was usually 0400 or 0500 hours when there isn't a lot going on, on the road. Was asked who "they" were and he said it was all of the District guys. He named and was an and with the shift commanders office, every once in a while. He said it is more with Lt. Korth than with any other supervisor. The interview was concluded at this time.

## INTERVIEW WITH

Investigators conducted an interview with approximately 1034 hours. The reason for the interview was explained to as an investigation was being conducted into allegations of harassment by several GBPD nightshift officers.

Investigators explained a call that Officer Masiak and were on and asked if this was a call for Domestic Violence where a set of handcuffs went missing and was advised this was in fact the call in question. Explained that he was on a domestic disturbance call with and a female suspect was going to be going to jail. Said handcuffed the female and Officer Masiak arrived and told them that since the call was in District B (which was his District), he would do the transport. Said he turned the female over to Officer Masiak. It is all the did not know where her cuffs were and that he turned the female over to Officer Masiak. He further said that he did not change out the handcuffs before he turned the female over to Masiak, meaning handcuffs were still on the female when she was transported to jail. Said the only time the female was out of handcuffs was when she needed to use the restroom and he took her out of the cuffs, so she could use the bathroom and then he put the handcuffs back on.

was asked if he had ever asked Officer Masiak about the handcuffs and he said he did later in the locker room and Officer Masiak had either told him he did not know what he did with them, or that he had put them on the shift commander's desk. however, could not remember exactly what Officer Masiak had told him. was not sure if he had told Officer Masiak that the handcuffs were while on scene, but he was sure he had told him later when she asked him about her cuffs. Was again asked if Officer Masiak had told him what he had done with the handcuffs and said he was almost sure Masiak told him he had put them on the shift commander's desk. He was asked if Masiak had ever talked about the handcuffs after their initial conversation in the locker room and constaid "No."

was asked his opinion on work performance and he said

was asked if there was any one on night shift that he could name as being responsible for bullying and he said Officer Masiak does not like that Officer Brester does not like her,

He was asked if he could recall any MDT messages being sent out about would be inappropriate and he said at times he has seen messages from at least half the shift that he would read and think they probably should not have sent them out. He was asked if there were any individuals that stood out in his mind that send out those types of messages and he said Lt. Korth stands out in his mind that sends out those types of messages all the time. He also mentioned Officer Brester and Officer Masiak as ones that send out messages. He said they usually did not send them out as all car messages, but would send them to a select group of officers. He was asked if he thought the messages were inappropriate and he said not necessarily, but more unprofessional. He said sometimes the messages are meant as a joke, but there are times some of the messages should not be sent out, as they are open to public records.

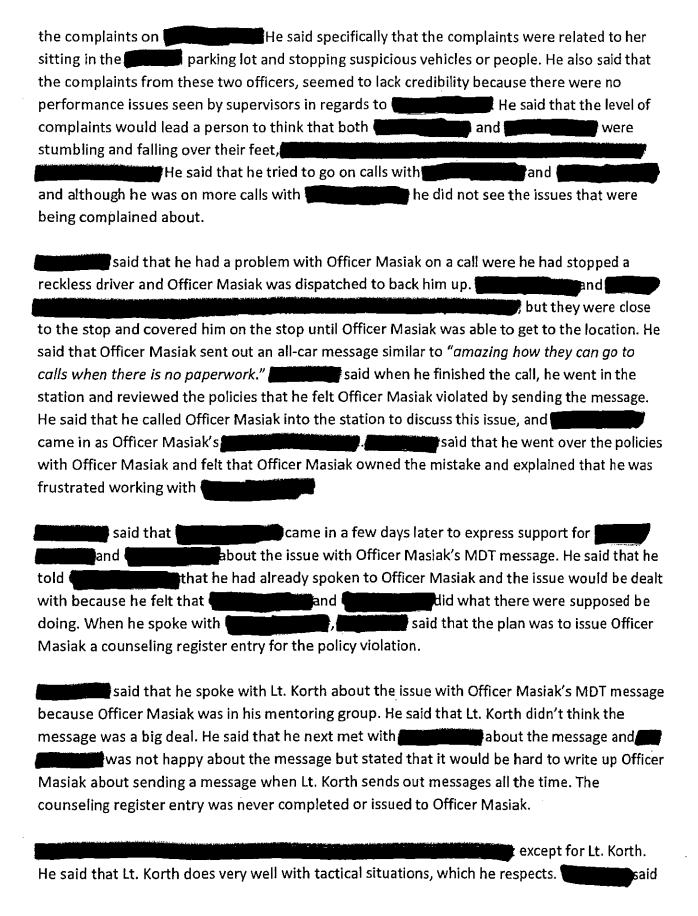
In regards to work performance right away or if the decline was more recent. He said that about a month after she was done training that she had made a comment to him that he should use as much time off as he could. He said he told her that he was trying to save his days off to build up his vacation bank in case of an emergency and she told him that was a "dumb" idea and he should use as much time as the Department provides him. He said at that time, was already "burning" all of her time and that is not his type of work ethic and he does not take a lot of time off. He said for her to make a full five day work week was "shocking." He then referred back to the incident where her handcuffs went missing and he said she was working hard at trying not to make an arrest, because it was the end of her shift.

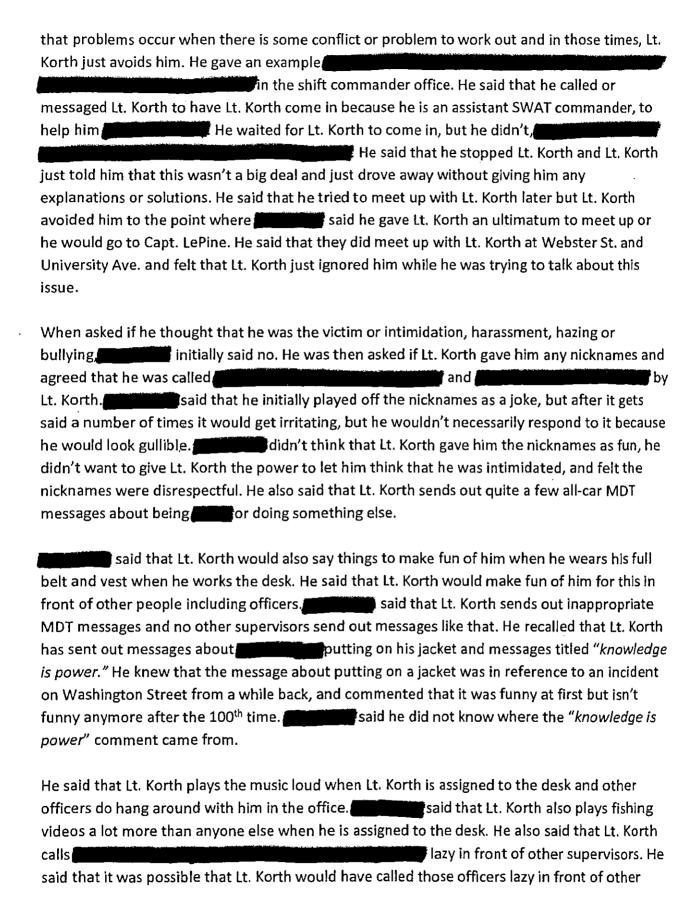
was asked if he had ever sent out a message belittling and he said he was not sure if he ever did. He said there are certain people on the shift that you can send messages out to joking with them and there are certain people you can't. He said there was an incident where they went to a call and Officer Masiak and responded. He said he made a joking comment to Officer Masiak like, "It's about time you start taking calls in your area." Said he said this to Officer Masiak in a joking manner, but overheard him make the comment and she became upset about it. He said he did not direct the comment at her and it was a joke made to Officer Masiak. He said he thinks she complained to a supervisor about it and he talked about it with her after shift. He said he told her that he was joking around and if she did not like the comment that she could come to him

around with her about things. was asked, if she had ever confided in him about some of the issues she was having on the shift and he said "No." said that he knew when he went to night shift that the night shifts officers would make fun of people. He was asked if there were any other supervisors or officers that send out unprofessional messages and he said there was not. He said he did know that MDT messages could be monitored at any time. He further said he knows that the shift has been told multiple times to not send out unprofessional messages. He said union representatives from the shift as well as supervisors have told them to watch what they are sending out on the MDT's. He said he knows for sure has told them that. The interview was concluded at this time. <u>INTERVIEW WITH I</u> On December 22, 2016, was interviewed by the Professional Standards Division. He was told that the Green Bay Police Department was investigating harassment and bullying on the nightshift and, he was seen as a witness or possibly a victim of the above actions. was asked if he knew of any employees who have been harassed or bullied and he identified and as not getting along with other officers in District does not take constructive said that other officers have told him that criticism well. The officers who have complained about were primarily Officer Masiak and Officer Kurt Brester. He said that most of the complaints were of either a tactical nature or about showing up late for calls. He next said the supervisors were not seeing the issues that the officers had brought forward. Said that since seem to take constructive criticism well from the officers, conversations were had with the complaining officers to start over with and another and he didn't believe that the problems continued after those conversations. He did explain that Officer Masiak complains a lot, When asked about the complaints about said the similar complaints

and tell him she did not care for the comment. He said because of that, he does not joke

came in mainly from Officer Masiak, and initially from Officer Kurt Brester, that were similar to





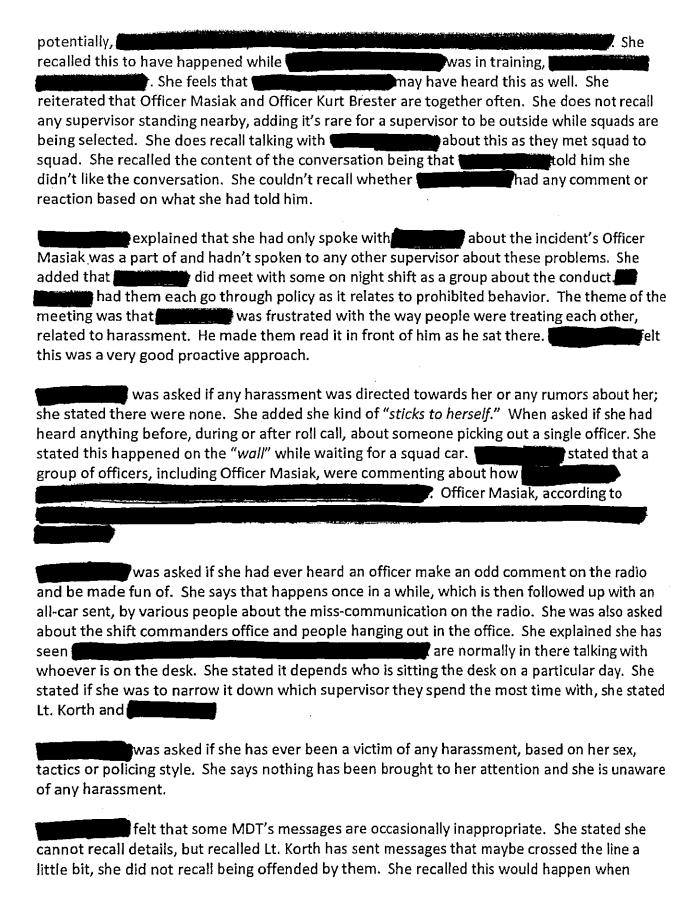
officers. Within the last week, and that he had heard that Lt. Korth had danced
around like a monkey and it was construed that the dance was imitating
stated that he has heard Officer Masiak complaining about
before work. He said that the comments were made around
the time of this past summer, but he did not say anything to Officer Masiak about the
comments. Precalled that there was an issue with Officer Masiak telling that that she could leave calls. He said that from Officer Masiak's view, this was just saying
that she could leave because the job was done. He said that from that a could leave because the job was done.
view, Officer Masiak would just tell her to leave the call as soon as she showed up.
said that he did not recall ever coming to him to complain about any issues with
Officer Masiak. He said that the reason that he would have spoken with the other supervisors
on the nightshift was the constant complaining from Officer Masiak. He also said that Officer
Masiak Masia
was hesitant to label himself a victim of the harassment from Lt. Korth,
but in the totality of the messages and work conditions with Lt. Korth, he did say that he was a
victim of Lt. Korth's behavior. He said that Officer Masiak and Lt. Korth were the two primary
people causing the harassment on the nightshift.
and probably only saw parts of the problem with the issue of certain
nightshift officers not getting along. He said that they did talk about things in about a hundred
of small conversations around a couple months ago and was starting to address this
by going over policies with the officers on the shift just before the nightshift problems finally
blew up.

said that he regrets not going further with the counseling register on Officer Masiak and further regrets that he let another supervisor influence his decision to not issue the counseling register. He said that he felt he let the department down and let himself down by not issuing the counseling register, and described this as allowing himself to be "dumbed down" by another supervisor.

## INTERVIEW WITH

the Professional Standards Division. She was told that she was not the subject of this investigation and that the contents of this case, and this interview, will be reviewed by the administration of the police department. Was told that the purpose of the interview is to determine if she was ever a victim of harassment and that she was not a subject of the investigation.
was asked if she was ever the victim of any type of harassment while working at the Green Bay Police Department. Says she has been left alone, pretty much, adding she recalled one MDT message that was "kind of for her" but she thinks it was more for
She added that this was during a traffic stop that the called out with. It had later spoken to both and they needed to be made aware of it. The message was sent by Officer Masiak. It had an all car message was sent by Officer Masiak. It had an all car that did not have a computer, thus they would have never saw the message. She recalled them into the shift commander's office to discuss this message. She couldn't recall who would have been working the shift commander's desk on this date, as a way was a road supervisor this day. It had printed off the message, had them read it, and advised them that he was not aware this was going on, on the night shift, and wanted to hear their thoughts about this and anything else going on.
explained she was a little upset at first. has told her in confidence some issues she was having and that it was bothering her. want to discuss those issues then, so the same told to the first of some of the issues.
was asked further about not knowing about issues on the shift.  gave him examples about when the officers pick squads, on the back wall, about that behavior.  Officer Masiak would make comments about leaving her firearm in the trunk of her squad. Stated that this comment was made as was exiting her squad, but she wasn't sure that heard the comment. The firearm left in the trunk of the squad car happened a couple months prior to this interview. If this comment was heard by anyone standing waiting for a squad car. Stated that Officer Masiak would keep bringing it up, which is why she brought it up with
explained that Officer Masiak made another comment about stating "oh great, we have another one of those." had called out on the radio with some type of traffic stop, Officer Masiak then made this comment. took this comment to be very rude and unprofessional.
She took Officer Masiak's statement to mean a racially negative comment, and a slam towards him being added that no one endorsed the comment, nor negated it. She recalls that

On December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016, at approximately 0340 hours, was interview by



inappropriate messages. [Each of the radio. She also pointed out Officer Masiak would send inappropriate messages.
was asked about the female locker room and if she had heard conversations in a negative manner. She stated most conversations were about kids and dogs, nothing negative about other employees. She stated that has voiced her concerns of harassment. When asked if has come to her with specifics, she could only think of generalized statements that she made. That mentioned she goes on calls as a secondary unit, and Officer Masiak is very dismissive and asks her to leave. Understands this to have happened quite often. The said that told her that Officer Brester would look at the puzzled by how Officer Masiak was treating her. The said has been on a few calls with the said that the said told has been on a few calls with the said told her that Officer Brester would look at the said that the said th
was asked if she was aware of any history, romantic relationship, or something that went sour with Officer Masiak and was asked. She explained she knew there was tension prior to was even getting hired with the Green Bay Police Department. also stated that was also stated that would her that she takes time off of work, as she would rather be living her life and use her time. We said that was also stated that while working in was district and how she is treated while working the working district.
She vaguely remembers hearing Officer Masiak make a comment about on the radio, but she was unable to remember specifics, due to the time that has passed. When asked if Officer Masiak has harassed other co-workers, or was heard saying something about someone else, commented that it was nothing out of the norm She has never heard any supervisor make any derogatory comments towards an ethnic group, nor any minority.
was asked for her opinion on if there was one officer on the night shift that is the cause of, or leader of the grief on the night shift, and she stated that person would be Officer Masiak due to the ways he talks and treats people, especially behind their back. She felt that due to the rumor mill, Lt. Korth is the only supervisor who supports Officer Masiak and this kind of behavior. She stated Lt. Korth has always been professional around her.
was asked if she had been contacted by anyone advising her about this investigation. Stated that she received a text from asking her if she knew what was going on. She said that the text was about a supervisor and officer being

returned to work, she was made aware that it involved Officer Masiak and Lt. Korth.  called her and asked her if she was ever a victim of this type of activity.
Was asked to outline instances where may have confided to her. She said that was frustrated on calls and being called out by Officer Masiak for not making an arrest. Said that there was a death scene call where Officer Masiak showed up and told her to leave. Said that Said that She said that She said that Masiak showed up and told her of an incident that Masiak where she was needed so she took perimeter for the time being. Officer Masiak arrived on scene and told that it was her sector so she needed to handle the call. Also talked about another call where many and officer Masiak shoves out of the way.
was asked if she felt the issues on the night shift were legitimate and what could be done to address the issues.  She added that she has spoken with about this, and he said that he was also frustrated by this activity. Said that he was going to talk with Officer Masiak about his behavior.
was asked if had talked to other supervisors about these issues.  Said that did express her displeasure with the lack of action taken, and the behaviors not changing. She said when told about the incidents and lack of action, he seemed surprised and upset that nothing was being done.  Said that had talked to on several occasions about the behaviors, but nothing had changed.
was reminded that the information and questions from the interview need to be kept confidential and that she should contact the Professional Standards Division if she remembered any additional information or if she became aware of any new information.
INTERVIEW WITH
was interviewed on December 22, 2016 by Professional Standards Division.  was told that he was as a witness, and possibly a victim, of the harassment and bullying that was occurring on the nightshift. He was asked if he knew of any officers on the nightshift who were harassed, bullied, or picked on, and the first officer that he noted was Officer who he said was being picked on by Lt. Korth. He said that Lt. Korth coined a nickname for the like of the pickname meant that the

summer or early fall of 2016.
said that shortly after he heard of the nickname for the said that asked to meet up with him. He said that asked that he had heard the nickname and he absolutely did not like the nickname and doesn't want to be called the nickname and didn't know how to go about having the nickname stopped. Said that he asked if he had told Lt. Korth that he didn't want to be called that nickname and said that telling Lt. Korth would only make it worse and having say something to Lt. Korth would also make it worse said that he saw Lt. Korth in the shift commander office a couple days later and told him that he cannot call that nickname as a couple days later and told him that he was not sure what Lt. Korth said in response before Lt. Korth walked out as the office.
and then Lt. Korth avoided him for about a week. Said that he thought that Lt. Korth hadn't called the thought that nickname after that conversation.
said next that Officer Masiak sent out a message about and
thought that he and brought the shift commander office about making a comment was making a comment about making a comment was making a comment wa
said that Lt. Korth used to take pictures and videos of him and he didn't know why Lt. Korth did that. He said that Lt. Korth would come up behind him while he was in the shift commander office making maps or reading reports and make comments like "look at the size of this guy, he's huge" or "holy fuck, he's huge." said that most of the time he would just pass this off, and sometimes he would say "there's something wrong with you" or "Rob, really?"
next that that a couple months ago, he was in the shift commander office and saw Lt. Korth was walking around in the office like a monkey and he didn't know why Lt. Korth was walking like that. He said that later he heard that Lt. Korth was making fun of

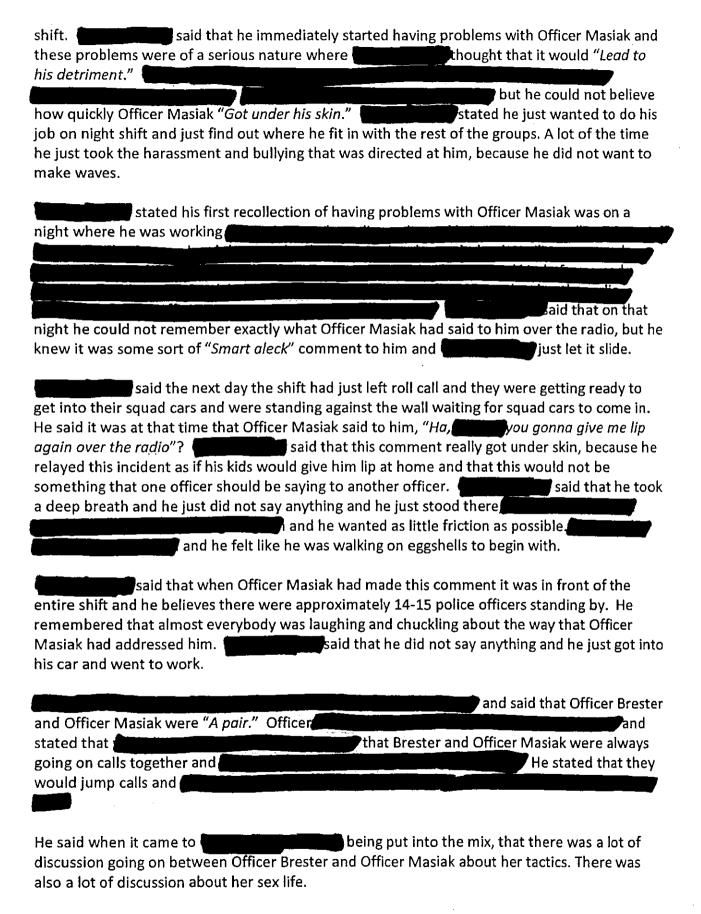
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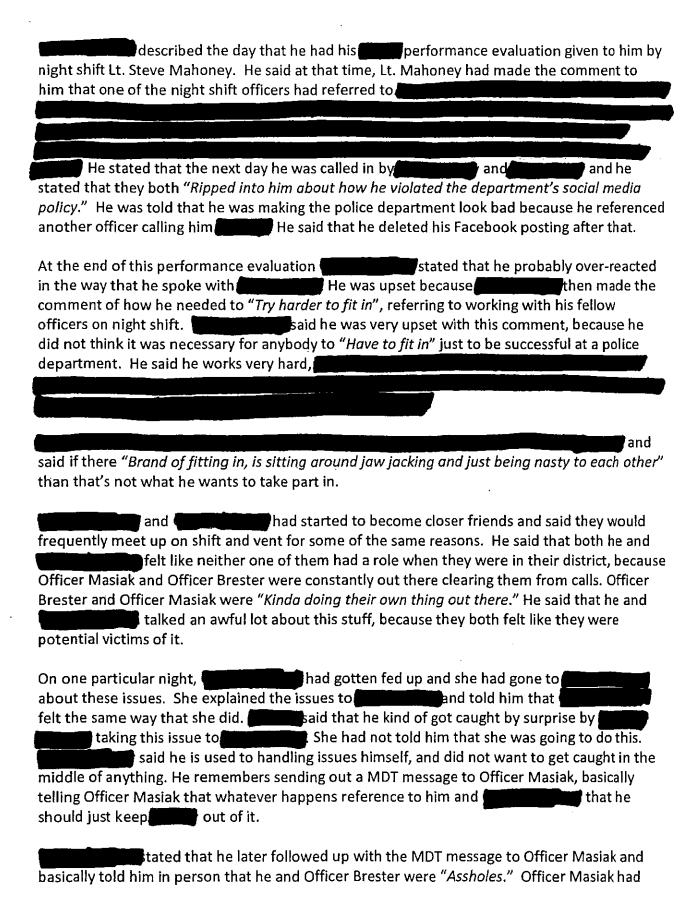
comments or sounds at the time, and he didn't think anyone else was in the office at the time.
said that when Lt. Korth is assigned to the shift commander desk that Lt. Korth always plays music loud and watches fishing or hunting videos. He said that other officers commonly hang around in the shift commander office when Lt. Korth is assigned to the desk and he thought that and where two of the main officers and would hang out in the office, too.
As work required supervisor work, and said that Lt. Korth would refuse to send out Nixle notices. He recalled one incident in particular where he asked Lt. Korth to send out a Nixle notice about a particular call and Lt. Korth said that he wouldn't do a Nixle notice. Lt. Korth would call other supervisors "company man" and tell supervisors to relax. He remembered specifically that Lt. Korth called a "company man" and told be was an eight or nine on a ten scale of needing to relax while they were in the locker room. Said that Lt. Korth calls him said, as in the locker not bother him. Additionally, said that Lt. Korth talks in a weird voice occasionally, that he could only describe as a little kid voice, and that that Officer Masiak would talk in that same voice.
for her handlin
of an open door call without backup. He said that he heard the call on the radio and spoke with her the next night on how this was a serious officer safety issue. He said that he was also notified by the shift commander, who was probably Lt. Korth, about this call, but didn't think that the notification influenced him on how to handle the performance evaluation. He said that Officer but she didn't offer any other complaints or comments on the situation.
said that would obviously be an officer who would be getting picke
on or bullied by Officer Masiak and obviously by Lt. Korth. He didn't think was involved even though had made a comment about in the past. He said that he spoke with and told him that he had tried to help with things and
recalled one incident this last fall where the Brown County Sheriff's Department requested city officers for a perimeter near the edge of the city for a home invasion call that happened in Bellevue. He said that a couple city squads went and Lt. Korth also went and they were set up somewhere near Debra Lane and Abrams Street. During the call, he said that a cell phone was found in a roadway in the city and that the county deputies were not sure if they were going to collect the phone. He said that Lt. Korth talked to the lieutenant from the County, and it may have been in front of other officers, and Lt. Korth commented that they didn't know how to handle the call. Later that night the County supervisor asked to most up

with Lt. Korth to talk about the incident and Lt. Korth said that he wouldn't meet up with the

not busy and
and that Lt. Korth had also told him that he thought the County guys "were his friends."
was asked to sum up a description of Lt. Korth in one word and the word he used
was
said that Lt. Korth would send out inappropriate MDT messages that a supervisor should not be sending. He could not give specific examples of the messages that were sent. He did say that he never made any mention to Lt. Korth about these messages. Said that Lt. Korth would send out MDT messages bi-weekly that would make you wonder why the message was sent out. He said the messages served no purpose and would not necessarily be harassing, but would be saying that some call wasn't handled the way he would have done it. He said Lt. Korth's messages would be more personal attacks on people than on their work performance.
INTERVIEW WITH
was interviewed on December 27, 2016. It was believed during the course of the investigation that he was a potential victim and/or witness of bullying or harassment on the night shift.
After completing his training he was assigned to the night shift on
appeared reluctant and hesitant to be interviewed.
He did say that he would cooperate with the investigation and answer all questions.
Because of this, he knew that is why he was being called in to answer questions.
said that upon transferring to the night shift it was obvious that and Officer Masiak had a bad relationship from the very first day that he came to the night

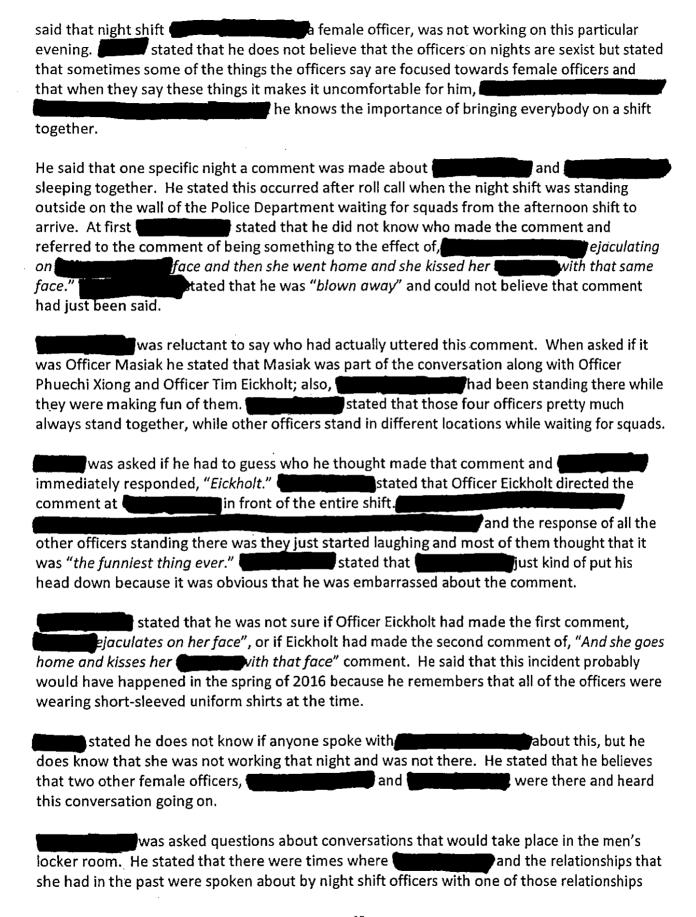


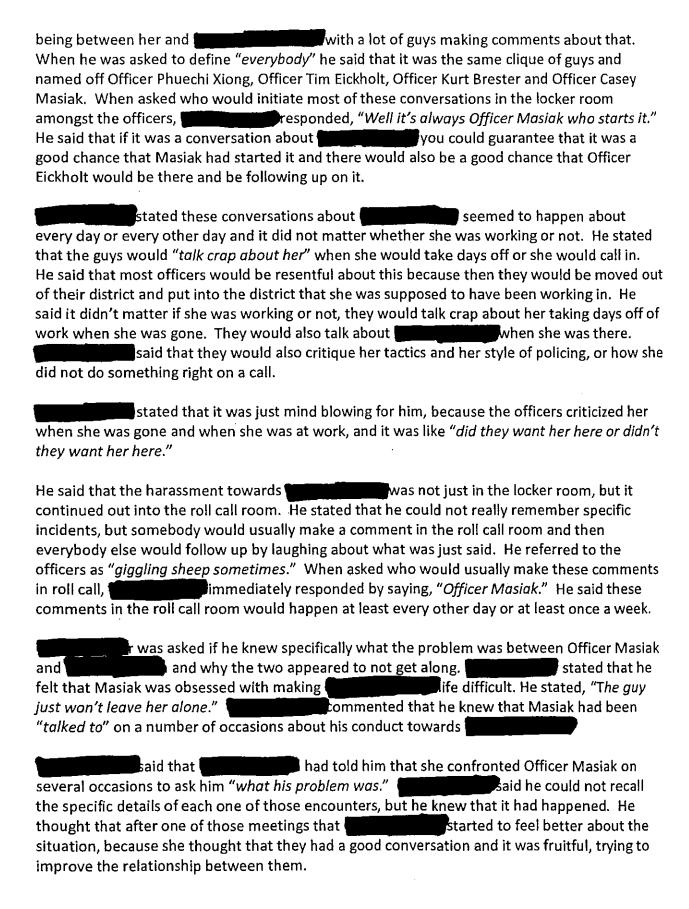
stated that
He felt that Officer Masiak thought that he was interfering with that relationship, because friends with Officer Brester. Said he just kind of laughed about it, He thought that maybe this was the reason why Officer Masiak had been targeting him.
he is not exactly sure of what the incident was, but there was a call that had taken in District and but he does not know what happened. After the call, he knew that had some words with some of the officers on night shift and this elevated itself to the level where had spoken with Officer Brester. Was unsure if Officer Masiak had been spoken to as well. Stated that after this incident, he felt that Officer Brester was possibly trying to distance himself from Officer Masiak.
was asked if he could identify how many incidents he thought had happened where Officer Masiak was bullying or harassing him while they were at work.  stated that "There were a lot of minor ones" and that he cannot remember the specific details of most of them. He said that a lot of times he would be on a call with Officer Masiak and
Officer Masiak, stated that he felt very uncomfortable around Officer Masiak, because of his attitude and said Officer Masiak was just the type of person that he would rather not "Associate himself with."
stated that if he had personal problems with other officers he would not routinely talk about those officers behind their back. He said that Officer Masiak and Officer Brester frequently talked about other officers and the said that Officer started to wonder to himself if they were actually talking behind his back as well.
stated that there was never a time where he felt that Officer Masiak had made any derogatory remarks towards him because of his race, or made any comments about any other races while in his presence.
He said at one point he was sitting in the roll call room at a table and he could hear somebody on the outside from the night shift say the phrase, "Oh fuck Commander He did not know who might have said the comment



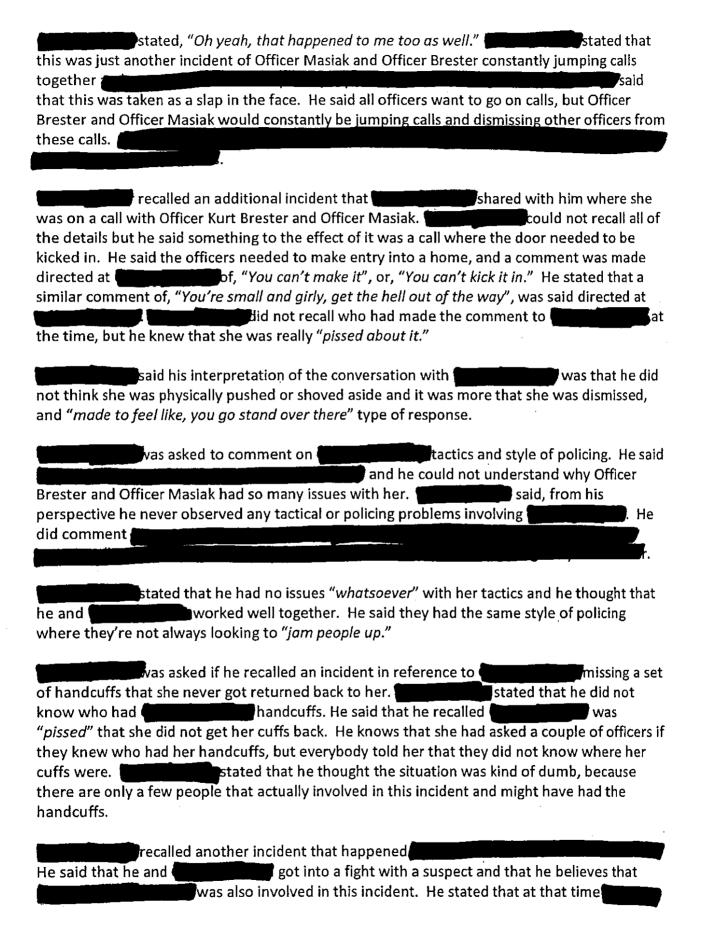
the problem is to fix it."
stated that the face-to-face conversation he had with Officer Masiak would have been and Officer Brester was there at the time. When he arrived he made the comment to both of them that they needed to "Clear the air." said the meeting was not confrontational and about how and have referred to both Officer Brester and Officer Masiak, saying that they are both hard to work with. said that Officer Masiak was "Actually pretty cool about it", and said from felt like the issue between he and Officer Masiak had gotten a whole lot better.
Officer Masiak started to trust a little bit more and they stopped having issues, but unfortunately that was not the case with seeing more and more issues between Officer Masiak and seeing and he thought these issues were "Just kind of suffocating at times."
He said a lot of the "Snarky comments" that happened came from the officers, but they could have also been coming from one or two Lieutenants as well.
He described Lt. Korth's supervisory style
He said the Lieutenants on nights have known there is a problem with the shift for over a year. Stated that it was "So egregious and mind blowing" that at no point did they (Lieutenants) stop and just say to the entire shift, "Stop doing what you're doing." He said that he felt
When asked to give examples to show the lack of supervision on night shift, said that there was "Small mundane things you know that happen when a lot of guys sit around."  This would have been in the Shift Commander's Office when Lt. Korth was working.  said that the officers that were usually in there were
These officers usually congregated in the Shift Commander's Office after 0400 hours when the calls for service had quieted down. He said that you could walk in the office to hand in your paperwork and he would see all the officers. He said they were laughing and joking at times, and would be watching "crash videos" on the computer screens.
explained another incident where he said it was the first time where he really started to "Become angry" about some of the things that were happening on the night shift. He

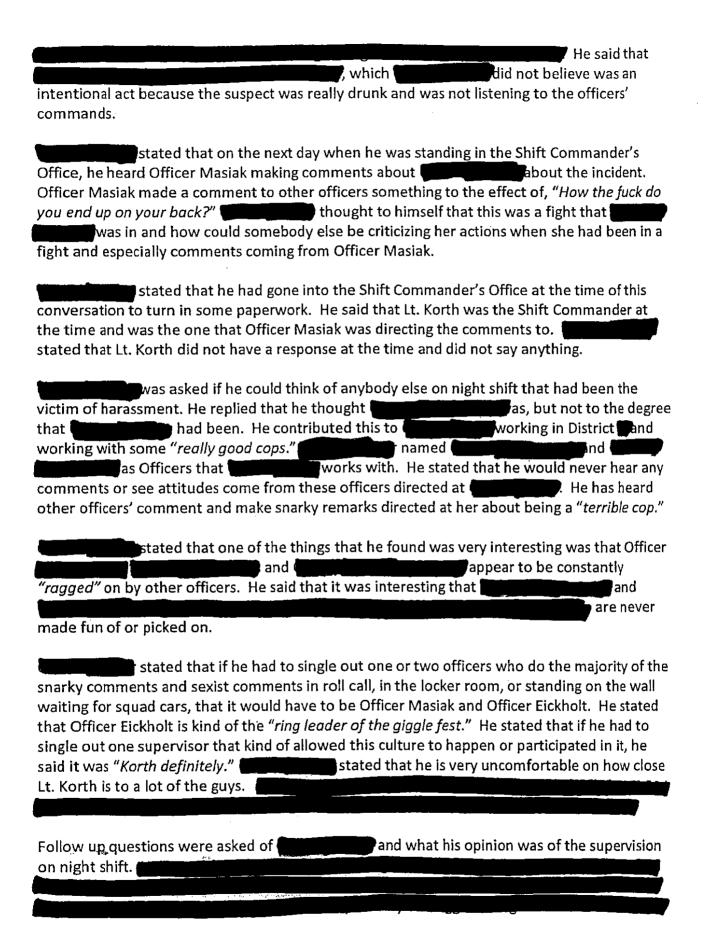
responded back with an MDT message something to the effect of, "Well I need to know what





that Officer Masiak had been treating her. Stated that he could remember at least two times where he believed that was so upset that she was in tears. She was telling him about the things that Officer Masiak said and done to her while they were on calls. Stated that the conversation between the two of them was to the point where he was trying to encourage her to take this to a higher level, or to another supervisor. He said that at the time, there were no Captains on the shift and that they had been removed.
described one of the incidents that had told him about where she had been working on a call in District. Officer Masiak had shown up on the call and started to critique her and made comments to her about the way she had handled the call. This had been done in front of other officers including Officer Brester. Said that most of the time he had conversations with she had conversations with specifics, because she was so upset. He said that they met and had conversations, "Probably a dozen times if not more than that."
When asked if he thought was the been the victim of harassment on night shift, responded, "Oh, there's no doubt about that." He said that was the easiest answer he could give during this interview.
When asked if he believed he was the victim of harassment, he stated that he probably was in the past, but over the last six months he felt that things had gotten better for him on the shift.
When asked if he had to name the officers who he felt were the ones delivering most of the harassment directed at him, he stated that it was "the group of four." He named Officer Masiak, Officer Xiong, Officer Eickholt and to some degree, Officer Brester.
stated he recalled another incident involving where it was a series of "cluster calls" going on at the same time and and officers were responding to help me and that ended up clearing the call that she was on and taking a call approximately two blocks from where he was at. He stated that at some point Officer Masiak had showed up on her call and made a bunch of comments to her but he did not know what they were. He stated that was so upset about this that he believed that she had gone directly to and talked to him about it.
believed and addressed the issue with Officer Masiak, because the next day while in roll call he heard a bunch of other officers commenting about how had "gone straight to the boss" or something to that effect. Thinks also talked to Officer Brester about it, because afterwards Officer Brester had made the comment to him saying, "Yeah that was kind of my wakeup call."
was asked if he recalled any incidents involving when he jumped her calls





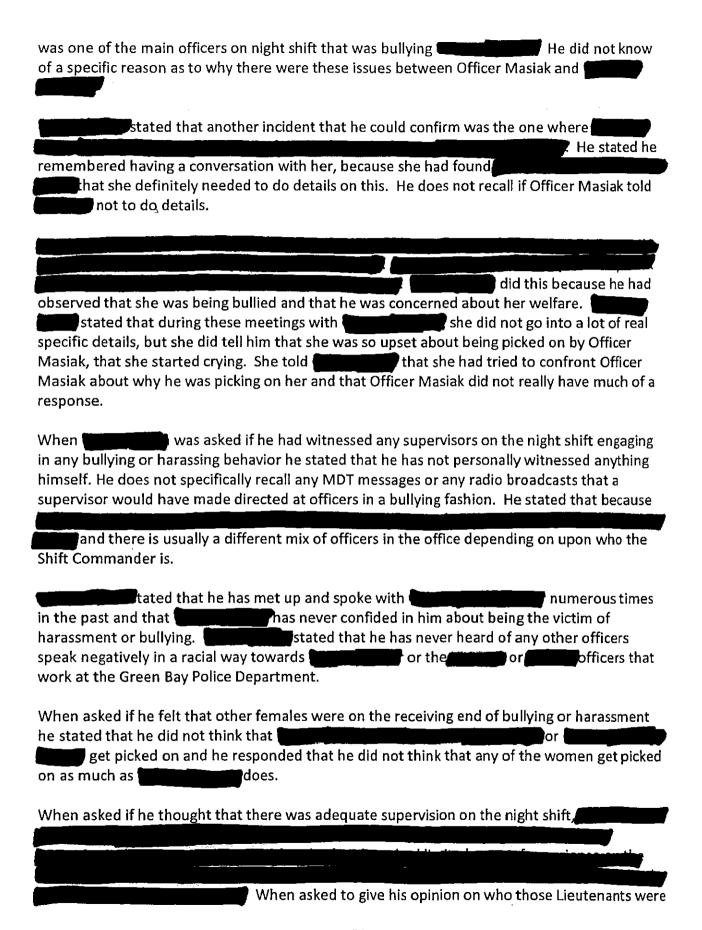
He said that there is not really one main boss on this shift.
He stated a lot of the officers are starting to be worried, because of this investigation, because in the past they have never had to worry about anything.
INTERVIEW WITH
On December 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2016, at 1445 hours, PSD Investigators met with in the conference room. Was told that she was not the subject in this investigation, and she was told of the reason for the interview.
She explained that she worked on the evening shift, and on her Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday's of her work week she was assigned the district. Telestaff confirmed she worked the evening shift from shift patrol. She was reminded to keep our interview/discussion in confidence and not to discuss with anyone. Also covered was the importance of cooperating with internal investigations and answering questions truthfully and honestly.
explained she was aware of harassment on the night shift, and that Officer was the victim of this. She stated she only knew of one incident that she was witness to. She said that the incident was on a night when and were in when Officer Masiak sent an all-car message regarding and and they would only do that as they get out of paperwork being involved. Was working that evening when the message was sent out. She recalled calling out with a vehicle that wasn't stopping and dispatch to send Officer Masiak. Shortly after that dispatch, Officer Masiak sent out the all-car message.
harassment from Officer Masiak. In the privately about ongoing harassment from Officer Masiak. In the had been told that Officer Masiak has told her to leave on calls that they were dispatched to. Specifically, there was a call where and entry was going to be forced to make contact. As this was occurring, Officer Masiak ran into the scene, pushing aside so he could help make entry. She explained that had told her that she went to once in an attempt to get the harassment by Officer Masiak under control. She said that told her that would say things were getting done.

"uncomfortable" around Officer Masiak. She specifically explained a call in the area of  where Officer Masiak made a comment which upset someone they
were dealing with on a call. She couldn't recall a date or address, but that it was a noise complaint, and the call was about wrapped up, when a female, who was present on the call was on the phone recalls a comment made by Officer Masiak that insulted making the situation worse. It was a cocky and unnecessary comment.
When asked if she had to guess if there was any supervisors that harass or bully officers, she stated she has heard things about Lt Korth. She stated she has never seen anything he has done specifically, but that he likes to joke around, "a lot." She stated he is more laid back than a supervisor should be. was basing this on things has told her.
stated she never heard anything racist from the night shift, along the wall or from others. She felt the investigation would benefit if we spoke with other district evening shifters,
INTERVIEW WITH
On December 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2016 at approximately 1800 hours, PSD Investigator asking if he could come and speak to Investigators. The had remembered some information that he wanted to add, from his prior interview. He was advised to meet with PSD Investigators at the Police Department in the Professional Standards office.
On December 28, 2016, at approximately 1830 hours, He stated that he wished to speak about a further incident that he recalled after being interviewed previously.
stated that the incident he wanted to tell us about happened approximately  He stated that it was still cold outside and he believed that it may have been October of 2016 right before deer hunting season opened.
He stated that he was in District on a disturbance call and at that time Officer Paul Spoerl, Lt. Rob Korth and another unknown officer were standing outside by a squad car which he believed was in the location of Washington Street. He stated at that time somebody made the comment of, "Have you seen Korth's impression of?

the way walked. Walked. Said this was done in front of the other officers and it was done in public in front of the businesses on Washington Street.
was asked numerous times who the unknown officer that was standing in the group was and he stated that he couldn't recall or couldn't remember numerous times. A copy of the roster was obtained and each officer was called off to help refresh his recollection of the event and believed that Officer Eickholt was the officer who was also standing witnessing this event.
INTERVIEW WITH
On December 28, 2016, at approximately 1920 hours, PSD Investigators interviewed as a potential witness officer in this internal investigation.
was questioned in regards to being a potential witness in any sort of bullying or harassment directed at the might shift. It was believed that he might have pertinent information that would aid this investigation.
stated that he had heard third-hand information about an ongoing investigation involving and and an arranged. He stated that a lot of people on night shift have been talking about it and he stated that the core group of people that he hangs out with is
and
stated that he had been and and he stated that he had seen "minor things" involving handling of some of these calls. He stated one incident where he personally saw a possible Miranda issue where she was talking to a potential subject but he has never seen any issues in regards to her tactics. He stated that he has never observed any issues in regards to cited a couple of incidents where he thought that
was also questioned whether he had witnessed inappropriate messages being sent out about any night shift officers and he stated that he was 100 percent sure that he had seen messages that "cross the line" in regards to both and and and the stated that if the stated that if the stated that Lt. Korth "sends out a fair amount of those messages" and some are definitely inappropriate. He stated that he has also seen messages sent out about the stated that those are usually sent from Lt. Korth. Stated that had personally told him that he does not approve of Lt. Korth's style of supervision.

officers in regards to but he does not remember any messages that Officer Masiak sent out in regards to
stated that there are times where officers hang out in the Shift Commander's
Office a District and out in the shift commander's office with Lt. Korth. He also said that officers also hang out with the when he is the Shift Commander and not quite as many officers hang out with the or the when they are acting Shift Commanders. He stated that other officers on night shift have had issues in reference to Specifically, and the believed that these guys might have possibly gone to supervisors in reference the way that has handled himself on calls. He stated that he believed that had said something to the original at one point reference communication citing a specific disturbance that happened at the Oval Office but he did not have any more particulars other than that.
In reference to being a witness to any locker room banter or sexist comments by officers, stated that, because and that he had no immediate knowledge of any derogatory comments about night shift officers, specifically female officers.
stated that he did have knowledge about Lt. Korth mocking the way walked and the way he carried himself. He stated there was an incident where Lt. Korth was in the Shift Commander's Officer and walked by and Lt. Korth stood up and mimicked walk, while was in the office.
stated that he was told that this investigation was focusing on Lt. Korth mocking and the way he walked, but he could not remember who told him. He stated that that had addressed the shifts and stated that there was a racial component in this investigation. He also believes that he had a conversation with at least one week ago reference that the investigation was focusing on Lt. Korth mocking other officers.
When asked who he believes does the most mocking or ripping on of other officers on the night shift, he stated that it was Lt. Korth and Officer Masiak.
that has been going on.
He stated that he has spoken with the said that the said there have been performance issues in the past with the said that the said that and said there have been performance was being addressed. The said that he has heard of nicknames such as stated that he has heard of nicknames such as

uncalled for but this is the type of sarcasm and harassment that he has seen directed at
stated that he has seen sarcastic MDT messages sent out reference in the past. He has also seen messages in reference other officers and stated that when he first started he was the recipient of these type of MDT messages so he did not see that as too big of a deal.
stated that and that she had made a traffic stop and had put a spotlight on the car, because it was at night and she had done this as she was trained to illuminate the car. stated that Casey Masiak had put himself on the call and had physically positione himself between her car and the suspect car where spotlight was now illuminating him. Stated that Officer Masiak started to ridicule her for having the light on even though he was the one that had put himself in the bad position. Stated that at the time he thought it was inappropriate and he was going to say something to Officer Masiak about it but he never did. He stated that was present during this incident.
stated that he could not recall anymore examples but he knew that there were some more out there. I asked him if it would refresh his memory if I gave him specific incidents that had revealed to us where she felt that she had been harassed by Officer Masiak. Stated that he remembered an incident where he was on call and Officer Masiak showed up and dismissed her from the call. He stated that he did remember making a comment to that Officer Masiak was "arrogant" and that she had been doing a good job and to not to let it bother her.
Istated that he had met with a couple of times and one of them was at to discuss the issues of her being harassed by Officer Masiak. Another time he met with her to discuss these issues and at that time he had commented to her, "What's the issues between you and Casey"?, and he had even joked with her and asked her, the stated that this meant did she turn him down for a date.
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remembers Lt. Korth making a comment one time in reference to and he described as "useless tits on a boar." He stated this conversation would have taken place at with Lt. Korth and he believed was also present when this statement was made.	
stated that he also recalled another incident where he thought that Lt. Korth and it would have happened  He stated that usually  he had attempted to try and get a hold of the road supervisor to clarify a couple of procedural questions that he had. He stated that he tried to get a hold of Korth by MDT and that there was no response. He said that he then tried to radio directly Lt. Korth and there was still no response. He stated that under these normal situations that contacted a dispatcher and the dispatcher would try to raise the Lieutenant; he stated that dispatcher could not raise Lt. Korth either and that the dispatcher attempted to try contact. Korth on his cell phone, but he did not answer.  It tated that he later learner from that Lt. Korth was downstairs in the roll call room at shift change hanging with the night shift.  Evening shift and that there were 3-4 Lieutenants in the roll call room and no Lieutenants the road.  It tated that he was upset about this and actually spoke to it, who said that he would take care of it.	of Lt. with at he t the t with ed out
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gave his opinion of stated that he did not have a problem with	at
When asked if he knew of any other officers on night shift that were being picked on he st that he has heard rumors about the being picked on and for not covering on calls in her own zone.	ated

## **INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER PAUL SPOERL: PART 1**

On December 28, 2016 Officer Paul Spoerl was inte harassment issues on night shift. When asked	rviewed as a potential witness in the alleged
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When asked if he knew of any specific officers on the harassed more than others, he stated that everyon example of where he was made fun of, because of pronounces street names. He said comments like that well. He didn't consider being ripped on as hara	e gets "Ripped on" occasionally. He cited an his Oklahoma accent and the way he hat are just funny and he laughs at himself
Officer Spoerl was asked if he thought there was ar nature. He thought	n issue on night shift in regards to a harassing
When asked to give his opinion of who he	e thought the main officers would be, he
Officer Spoerl said	
Spoerl said as he approached but	ne had his weapon out at the ready, Officer Spoerl
Spoeri believed	was being burglarized or the victim of a
potential armed robbery. He said	Officer Spoerl said
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. Acco	ording to Spoerl, Spoerl said

In an effort to verify his story and for the sake of accuracy, he was asked to identify the officer who had told him this story. He responded, "I couldn't tell ya, I forgot." He said that he heard it "A while back in the summer time." (First Interview – 21:14)

A current night shift officer roster with the names of police officers was read to Officer Spoerl in hopes of refreshing his recollection. He was asked if it was any of the following officers who

were the ones who told him about conduct:	
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Officer Spoerl gave the responses	,
. It was obvious with investigators that he was uncomfortable with	
providing the name of what officer had given him the anecdotal story about	
He was asked again if it was any of the officers that were just named off to him. He replied, the was asked if he made up the story about the was and he	l
answered, (First Interview – 23:20)	
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Officer Spoerl was cautioned about his answers and making statements about fellow officers	
and not being able to support them by answering truthfully. He was again informed that he	
was part of an internal investigation and per policy that he was expected to answer all questions truthfully and honestly. He then responded,	
He answered	
He was then informed that his answer to investigators appeared to be a lie	
when	
Court cases Brady and Giglio were briefly explained to Officer Spoerl on how as a police officer he is expected to always tell the truth and never to lie; to do so could end his credibility and his career.	
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When asked how long ago this conversation took place Officer Spoerl responded,	•
(First Interview – 24:39)	,
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Officer Spoerl said	
He was again cautioned about being truthful in his answers and the Court case Brady	
was further explained to him. Officer Spoerl said he was trying not to lie saying this is the first time he's ever been questioned and he is in a stressful situation and was nervous. He	
apologized	

When asked if other offi	cers on the night shift are harassed like	, Officer Spoerl
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	. When asked who usually leads the	ne conversation about
Officer Spoerl was asked	if he had knowledge of	being "Ripped on." He
said	He remembered	
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	. (First Interview – 30:05)	
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Officer Spoerl said		
Officer Masiak		
Officer Spoerl said		
When asked if Lt Korth e	ever made any of these comments about	Spoerl replied
	(First Interview -32:55).	
Later in in the interview	Officer Spoerl was asked what other office	ers had been mocking

, Officer Spoerl said
(First Interview - 41:30)
When asked if Lt. Korth has ever sent him private MDT messages ripping on or or Spoerl replied Control of Cont
Officer Spoeri was asked questions about an alleged incident where after a police call on the sidewalk, Lt. Korth mocked the way walked Officer Spoeri
Spoerl said
Officer Spoerl said (First Interview - 46:00).
During the interview Spoerl
(First Interview - 47:20).
Spoerl was told that the incident was not the incident that investigators had been aware of. He was asked he if knew of any other incidents where Korth had mocked and where was not present. Officer Spoerl
Officer Spoerl was told that other officers had provided specific details of a different incident that occurred on Washington Street in front of Kitners Tavern where he and Lt. Korth had been laughing about Officer Spoerl initially said he was having a hard time remembering such an incident, because He said that if the investigators "If you have it in your notes that somebody is telling you I was there, then I was there", but he couldn't specifically recall the details. Officer Spoerl was advised that the investigation was to verify facts; at that he shouldn't admit to something if it weren't true or he could not recall it. To give him time to reflect on the incident, he was asked about other officers who might have been involved in inappropriate conduct. (First Interview - 51:52)

Officer Spoerl was asked if he had been present for inappropriate conduct in the Shift Commanders office. He replied
Officer Control of the Control of th
Spoerl said Officer Spoerl said he was present as well.
(First Interview - 50:15)
Spoerl was asked if he ever anyone make any racial comments about He replied  He was then was asked he had heard any racial comments directed toward  and he replied,
Spoerl said (First Interview - 53:50)
He was asked if Officers Masiak, Officer Korth, Officer Brester, and Officer Eickholt, had ever poked fun of and made racial comments to replied When asked if these same officers had ever made racial comments towards he replied (First Interview - 54:25)
Officer Spoerl was asked if he ever witnessed Officer Masiak make the comment about
"Oh great we hired another one of those guys." He answered (First Interview - 54:50)
He was questioned if he had ever heard Officer Tim Eickholt make any inappropriate comments directed at other officers. Officer Spoerl said
Officer Spoerl said
When asked about any inappropriate comments that Officer
Eickholt had made about the relationship between Eickholt and Eickholt
Officer Spoets
The questioning was again brought back to the topic of Lt. Korth mocking Officer Spoerl was asked how many times he has seen Lt. Korth do the walk. He replied It was obvious to Investigators that Officer Spoerl appeared nervous about the questions directed at his supervisor. He said
give Officer Spoerl a chance to refresh is memory. (First Interview – 58:20)

When the interview resumed, Spoerl was cautioned that his reluctance to answer questions completely could be construed as not being honest. He was told that being nervous can sometimes send the wrong message when being interviewed, but the investigators believed he was bordering on being dishonest with his vague answers.

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torth doing the	when asked who were the officers present,	
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Spoerl responded	(First Interview - 1:09:10)	
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Officer Spoerl was asked how many times he was present when Lt. Korth was making the monkey sounds directed at (First Interview - 1:18:10)
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When questioned about other derogatory names given to officers, specifically the nickname of Officer Spoerl said
1:19:40).
Officer Spoerl said
In reference to MDT messages, Officer Spoerl

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Officer Spoerl was asked	if he had had an opinion on why Officer Masiak had so many issues
with Off	ficer Spoerl commented
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Questions were asked to Officer Spoerl about any knowledge he had regarding missing handcuffs. He was asked if Officer Masiak had ever made any comments to him about the incident. Officer Spoerl
When asked if it was "Probably Korth", Spoerl replied the was again asked "Was it Korth", and he responded the was asked if he would have been talking with another supervisor on nights about this topic. He replied the was asked a fourth time if it was Lt. Korth who was present at the time. Officer Spoerl responded (First Interview - 1:50:35)
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Officer Spoerl said Officer Spoerl thought that After making the comment,
When asked if Officer Masiak had made any comments about not returning the handcuffs back to Spoerl replied (First Interview - 1:52:55)
During this part of the interview, it appeared as Spoerl was reluctant to be completely forthcoming about the event and provide investigators with what was actually said in the shift commander's office. He was again cautioned about being honest and how the court case "Brady" could be a factor in his answers. He was also cautioned that his reluctance to answer questions could, be the cause for him being re-interviewed as a suspect officer in the future, as opposed to just a witness officer. He was instructed that he should not answer questions and admit to things that didn't happen, or he didn't recall, but if he knew the answer to the questions, that he was obligated to answer truthfully.
Spoerl was again asked what Officer Masiak's comments were about, and what he was going to do with handcuffs. Officer Spoerl seemed genuinely confused about the question and asked investigators "how long ago did was this, sir?" Officer Spoerl was asked by investigators: "Did he (Masiak) say he was going to do give the cuffs back to her wasn't he going to give the cuffs back to her?" Officer Spoerl responded to investigators
Officer Spoerl was asked why Officer Masiak wouldn't want her to have the handcuffs back and he replied
He said (First Interview - 1:53:30)
Officer Spoerl  Officer Spoerl  When asked if his "Recollection" of what Officer Masiak said in the shift

Spoerl responded When asked if Officer Masiak had made any comments about keeping the handcuffs or throwing them in the trash or the river, Spoerl replied He was asked the followed up question of "Could he (Masiak) have said something like that." Spoerl replied,
Officer Spoerl was asked if he thought Officer Masiak might still have handcuffs, he said
(First Interview - 1:54:40)
At the end of the interview Officer Spoerl addressed the investigators and said that he honestly and sincerely has not intentionally tried to lie when giving answers to questions. He was asked why it then took so many questions to get him to be accurate. The example was given to him that early on in the interview he was asked specifically if he had ever seen Lt. Korth "Mock" any officers. He was told that he initially
Officer Spoeri was asked "Why
wouldn't you just be straight up front" with his answers when questioned. He apologized and said He reiterated that nothing he said was an intentional lie. He said that he was afraid of giving the wrong answer and that he was "Super nervous" about being questions. He said "I agree that some of it came out slow, and you had to pry for some of it." (First Interview - 2:00:45)
Officer Spoerl again apologized and said it was "Difficult to get some of that stuff out" and didn't mean to mislead the investigation. He said "Its nerves, and man officer Spoerl said that he was going to take the time after being
interviewed to look up the Brady case so he would understand it better. Officer Spoerl said that everything he told investigators was true, but said "My biggest thing was, if I say something that didn't happen, is it going to look worse
Officer Spoerl was informed that he would probably be re-interviewed again reference the investigation at a later date. He was cautioned that when that time came, he should think about being more forthcoming with his answers. Officer Spoerl
He admitted that he should have stood up and said something about all the mocking and harassment that had been going on with the night shift, and by not doing so, he was wrong. He said that he has never made any racial comments, or done the walk. He was asked if he had any knowledge of Officer Masiak making racial comments about

Interview - 2:11:08)

Because of the length of the interview and Officer Spoerl's the interview was concluded.

## **INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER PAUL SPOERL: PART 2**

On January 29, 2017 at approximately 2033 hours, Officer Paul Spoerl was re-interviewed. He was accompanied by Prior to being interviewed, Officer Spoerl was given a copy of the complaint against personal and copies of policies he was alleged to have violated. He was read his Administrative Warning (Garrity) which he acknowledged by signing. It was emphasized with Officer Spoerl that the answers he was about to give should come from his memory, and he should not compose his answers based upon what he believes the investigators want hear.

Officer Spoerl stated , but

he has not discussed the internal investigation with any of them.

Officer Spoerl was questioned on numerous MDT messages that he initiated and sent out to fellow officers. Copies of each MDT message and to corresponding print out of the calls (if applicable) was made available for Officer Spoerl's review. (Second Interview - 16:40)

The following is a summary of the MDT messages and their content. Many threads have multiple comments and conversations and should be viewed in their entirety:

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Spoerl	🧈 sent To	«Message»	threads and responses	Victim
			"Wanna knock out this dumb juvi	
PS1	Eickholt	6/5/16	noise complaint quick?	Juveniles
	Multiple -		"So we got a stolen vehicle and a	
	Masiak,		track going on this guy all in D3.	
	Xiong,		take a wild guess at who isnt on	
	Eickholt,		this call helping" - (multiple	
PS2 ***	Rager	11/12/16	responses sent back)	
			coming from far westoops	
			forgot""it's a high priority patrol.	
			Top Secret actually if they told you	
			about it they would have to have	_
PS3	Rahn	6/30/16	to put you down."	

DC4	Do nou	11/12/16	"make sure she takes that report	
PS4	Rager	11/13/16	dude, don't let her dump that"	Officers
	Eickholt,		,	Officers
	Stanton, K.	•	"if there is a Tone tonight out in	&
PS5	Rahn,	8/1/16	please add yourself"	
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			"LOL right, then nobody had a location of 84D for like 5 min but	to be No Policy
PS6	Rager	10/2/16	nobody seems to care."	Violation
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				Buddy
			"You think Brian Falcon is out	Fucked on a
PS7	Ecke	3/18/16	snooping around?"	call
			"That dam B Falcon. Up to his	Getting
			games and such. Have you tried	Buddy Fucked on a
PS8	Ecke	3/27/16	calling Chet? Or tired doing more SSD?"	call
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			"Oh for sure dude, right in the	to be No
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PS9 🕣	.Rager	10/2/16	Don't care. KKKKK Byyyyyyyye!"	Violation
				Officer
	Eickholt,			
	Masiak,		"Good news, I have car	
	Brester,		tonight, so I probably have her 3	
PS10	Herwald,	6/4/16	guns tonight."	
				Determined
				to be No
DC44	Danas	10/02/16	KK Billiards popping, Asian party,	Policy
PS11	Rager	10/02/16	Stanton said be ready	Violation
PS12	Scharenbrock	5/21/16	"LOL Hell, I was confused"	Profanity
			"I see your sister hasn't signed	
	_		anything yet, looks like she wants	Officer
PS13	Masiak	9/23/16	to prove herself some more LOL"	
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PS14	Maciale	6/7/16	"WTF is this call"	Fuck -
1574	Masiak	6/7/16	VV IF IS UTIS CAII	profanity

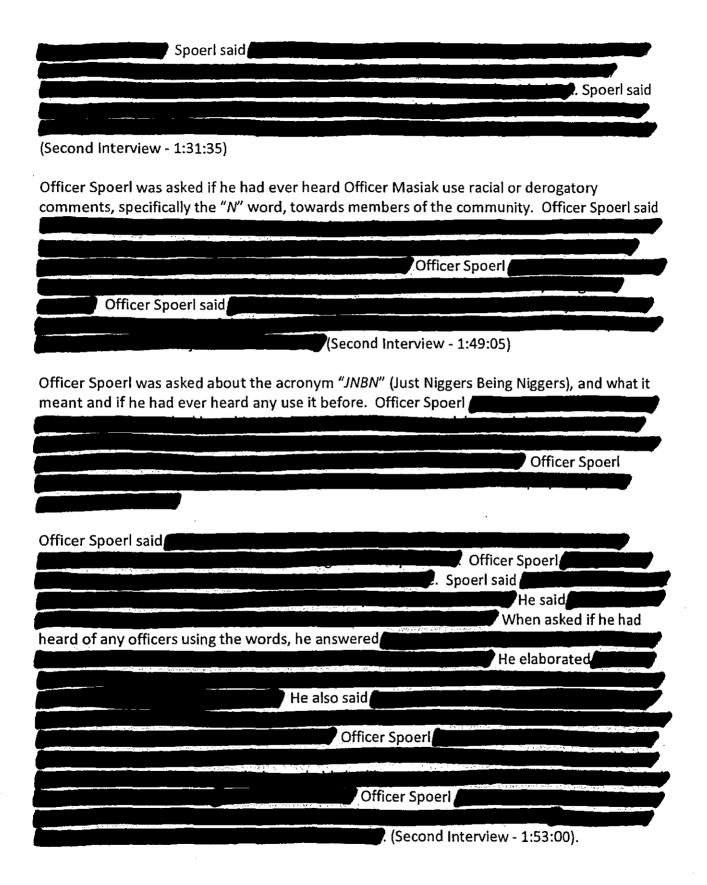
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<u> </u>			river as your newer partnerDude I would honestly	Officer
			call foulIm so upset and	
'PS16	Rager	10/17/16	annoyed	
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			in jeans was going to act a fool	possibly
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			it would appear also, strong	and heavy
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			"LOL! Yeah I could tell this was the	
			most intense situation you have	
			ever been involved in your entire	Deep Shit -
			adult life, the streets of green bay	profanity
PS18	M. Rahn	3/25/16	aka the real deep sht"	about GB

Officer Spoerl admitted that he violated policies on 15 out of the 18 MDT messages that he was presented. MDT messages marked #PS6, #PS9, and #PS11 were explained by Officer Spoerl to the satisfaction of investigators that those policies were not violated. The derogatory tone of Officer Spoerl's messages, when he referenced employees, seemed to target only female officers on the Green Bay Police Department. Spoerl said that he was not discriminating against female officers, but agreed how others could infer that after viewing his messages. (Second Interview - 1:09:00)

Officer Spoerl was asked if he ever went to a supervisor in regards to the tactical issues that he expressed concerns over regarding (Previous and Carlot) and (Previous interview from December 29, 2016). He said he went to Lt Mahoney reference a track call that he was in (Carlot) district, which she was not present for. He said he was told that she would be talked to about it. Officer Spoerl couldn't remember any other times, if or when, he had reported his concerns to other supervisors.
Officer Spoerl said he had been taught by his FTO's about patrol zone responsibility, and how officers were responsible to handle calls in
their assigned zones.

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	pervisor tell him that he was not allowed to
leave his district to respond to, or investigate, other	er calls outside of his assigned area. (Second
Interview - 1:11:16)	
Based upon some of the answers that Officer Spoe	
on December 28, 2016, he was asked followed up	questions. At that time, Officer Spoerl had
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took a picture?" He responded	Officer Spoerl was asked "Did you hear that he Officer Spoerl was then
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his head no, that he has never used the derogatory words directed at minorities.
He was asked if he has ever heard the phrase "White people tell the truth, Hispanics lie half the time, Black people are N's, lie all the time." He said
Officer Spoerl said
Interview - 1:57:00)
When asked if he had heard any comments about and Officer Spoerl said
commented that, being from Oklahoma, he has a dialect and he occasionally gets picked on for it too. He was asked if he had any knowledge about Officer Masiak making racial comments directed towards while the night shift was waiting for shift change in the back parking lot of the Department. This would have been the incident when the afternoon shift was ending and she had on the radio calling out with a vehicle.
Officer Spoerl said  (Second Interview - 2:00:25)
While being interviewed, Officer Spoerl initially said
Upon being questioned further about why Officer Masiak would have made
when asked if Officer Masiak had ever had made comments to him about Hispanics in the past, Officer Spoerl said
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(Second Interview - 2:04:15)
Officer Spoerl was asked about incident involving he was asked if he was either for heard about the incident, when walked up to Officer Masiak and told him to "Shut the fuck up." Officer Spoerl said
While being questioned, Spoerl appeared as if he was sure of the incident and if he had been there or not. Spoerl was asked if "he didn't think" or "didn't remember" about a pretty significant incident where two police

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Officer Spoerl was asked if there was one officer on the	ne night shift that is picked on more than
any other. He responded	
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He was asked if he thought there were racist officers	on the hight shift, and he responded
	t was pointed out to Officer Spoerl that he
had only been employed by the police department fo	r approx. 1 ½ years. (Second Interview -
2:14:35)	
Officer Spoerl was asked to give his opinion on what s	, .
involved in the allegations of harassment, bullying an	d racial misconduct.
(Secon	d Interview - 2:18:20)

## **INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER KURT BRESTER PART 1**

On December 29th, 2016, PSD Investigators conducted an interview with Officer Kurt Brester.
Also present during the interview was an analysis of Brass and lists of a world blood action with a formal Complete an Also and Island and Isla
was provided with a Formal Complaint on Personnel and listed several alleged policy violations.
The complaint and alleged policies were reviewed with Officer Brester. He advised he
understood the policies and that he should contact a supervisor if he did not understand a
policy. He then explained in his own words, what each alleged violated policy meant. He said
that the policies in question were reasonable and he understood that if found to have violated
any of the policies, could result in discipline. Officer Brester was advised that he was a focus of
the internal investigation and that he must answer all questions truthfully and completely and
he said he understood. He was advised that he could take a break at any time during the
interview and he said he understood. He was advised that the results of the investigation
would be turned over to the Chief of Police and a decision would be made if discipline would be
appropriate and to what level.
Officer Brester was asked if he had spoken to anyone in regards to the investigation before the interview and he said he had, but not about the facts of the investigation. He said he has talked about it with people on the shift, specifically
He was asked when he last spoke to a same about the investigation and he said he had
talked to him that night.
Officer Brester was asked if there was anyone on the night shift that was being harassed,
bullied or picked on and he said
Officer Brester was asked if he felt he had ever been
harassed and he said no.
Officer Brester was asked if he thought there were any inappropriate MDT messages sent out
by officers or supervisors that could be seen as harassing or bullying and
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Officer Brester was asked if he recalled a comment made . Officer Eickholt said, "I can't believe	ejaculated on h	· ·
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was there at the time Officer Eickholt made the comment.  He then said again,		,
Officer Brester then said,	He was asked	if Officer Eickholt
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Officer Brester said he would not be surprised if other officers had told us that cancelled from their calls and it happened decent call, he would send Officer Masiak an MDT message Masiak would respond.	frequently. He sai	pecifically d if he had a
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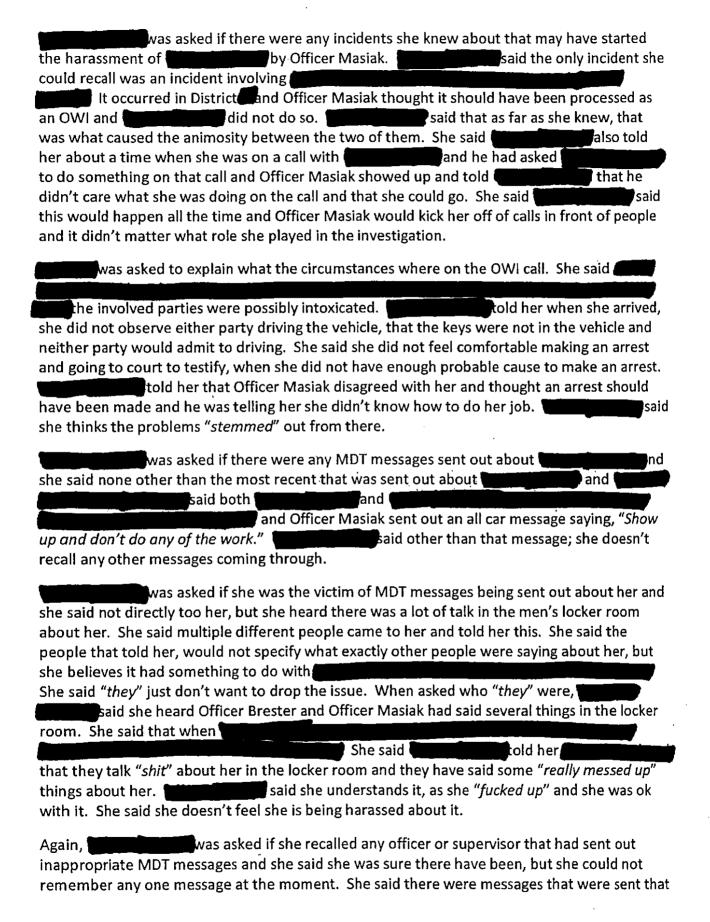
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Masiak and told him to, "Shut the fuck up," that Officer Masiak stood there
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Another situation was described to Officer Brester, where he and
together and Officer Masiak arrived on the call and motioning with his thumb and told
to leave. Officer Brester said
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and knew a certain group of officers were on their meal break in the shift commander's officer.
She knew if she called out with it and disrupted them, she would be ridiculed for it. Brester said
Officer Brester was asked if Officer Masiak made daily comments about the locker room, almost being obsessed with her and Officer Brester said Officer Brester said
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Officer Brester said it is really quiet on nights since all this has happened. He said
Officer Brester said, "I'm not a Saint, I'm sure I've done things here that can be looked at as a violation of policy," but he is not happy with the people that put him in this position. He said he honestly believes he has turned himself around after having been talked to by
He said he understands that the complaint was not
brought forward by either or but if it had been, it was warranted. He said
Officer Brester was advised that if he became aware of anything else, that he was to report it to the Professional Standards Division immediately. He was advised not to talk to anyone about the investigation other than his union representative, his girlfriend or PSD. He was told to immediately report anyone that contacts him about the investigation and what they were inquiring about.
Officer Brester closed by stating,  He said he knew he answered a lot of the
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interview was concluded at this time.
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Investigators conducted an interview with was also present during the interview.
was advised that information was received that he may have had a conversation about being on light duty, in the locker room with said he did not remember having that conversation.
He was asked if he had any conversations with the locker room over the last few months and he said he talks to him about the said he could not remember having a conversation about
The interview was concluded at this time.
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On January 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2017 at approximately 1000 hours, PSD Investigators conducted an interview with the second secon
At the beginning of the interview, was advised of the scope of the investigation and that she was a witness officer to this investigation and potentially a victim.
was asked if she was aware of or had seen any officer on the nightshift that had been bullied, harassed or picked on. She said she hadn't witnessed anything directly, but she had heard a lot about it. She was asked who she had heard it from and she said she said she said she was having some issues with one of her District partners. She said she told said as far as the harassment, this person would show up on calls and show blatant disrespect for she was having her badly because of it. Was asked who the person was she was referring too and she stated Officer Masiak. Was asked if there was anyone else should her about that was harassing her and said said no.
was asked if there were any MDT messages, talk in the locker room, emails or talk after roll- call, by anyone, about stated she did not think so. She said she doesn't really hang out in the shift commander's office.



she did not respond too and read and deleted them, because when she read them, she would think, "what the hell", meaning the message was inappropriate. She was asked if there was any one in particular that would send out these messages and she said "I've seen a few from Korth and I've seen Mahoney send some stuff or say some stuff too."

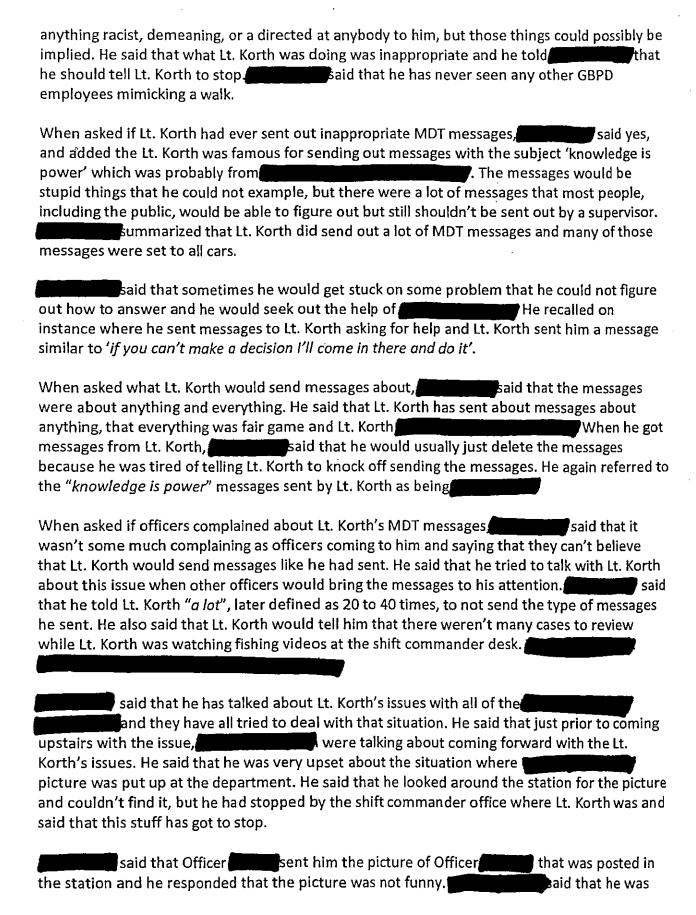
was asked about a frequent message that was sent to her from Lt. Korth saying, "Watch out he's watching you," in regards to Lt. Mahoney. She said that Lt. Korth told her that Lt. Mahoney was copying photos from her Facebook page, as well as, snap chat account and also going through her MDT messages, to try and dig further. She said she didn't understand it and did not know why he would be doing this. She said she thought it was a done issue at that time. She said that Lt. Korth told her to watch her back as Lt. Mahoney was not someone she could trust. She said that Lt. Korth also told her that Mahoney was saying "stuff" about her. She said she doesn't know anything more about it and that's just what she was told by Lt. Korth. and that is why she couldn't understand it.
again said she could not remember any specific messages sent by Lt. Korth or Officer Masiak, but she does remember there were messages sent by both of them. She said, "I remember thinking, after reading some, that you shouldn't be sending that."
was asked what she thought of the whole situation involving  She said she hasn't seen anything wrong with the said she performance and the said she hasn't seen anything wrong with the said she has a sa
was asked if there were any times that had told her she had tried to talk to Officer Masiak to figure out what the issue was and she said yes. said that had talked to Officer Masiak on multiple different occasions trying to get the issues resolved on the lowest level. It told her that she thought the talks went well and that Officer Masiak understood her concerns and things were going to stop, but things just continued to happen. It told her that during one of her talks with Officer Masiak that she broke down crying in front of him. It had also told that she does not like coming to work, because she is so stressed out coming to work and having to work with Officer Masiak. It said that had actually told Officer Masiak that same thing. She said told her that Officer Masiak was agreeable to a resolution, but that the harassment never stopped.
was asked if she had heard about an incident where and while driving down S. Washington St., she drove past Lt. Korth, Officer Masiak, Officer Brester, Officer Eickholt and Officer Xiong and comments were made about behind her back, said she was aware of that incident and said told her that someone said something to her about always being at the police department, always in Lt. Mahoney's office and she always avoided work and hung out in the shift commander's office.

was asked who had heard that from and she said she thought it was a said she doesn't think they said this to he face, but that it had gotten back to had been asked to have the said she doesn't think they said this to he said it was more of the "back stabbing" talking behind your back type stuff.
was asked if had been mistreated by same guys and she said yes. She was asked if she knew why and she said was asked what she thought of had she said
She said she does not mind that and said that the said the said the said the said that the said that the said that
anyone, other than anyone make any sexist or racial comments about anyone, other than anyone and anyone but said it is only friendly banter.
She was asked if she had ever heard of or had seen the walk" and she said no. It was described to her that a supervisor and officers mock the way walks and she said no.
She was asked if she had ever heard any officers referred to by nicknames, such as, and she said no.
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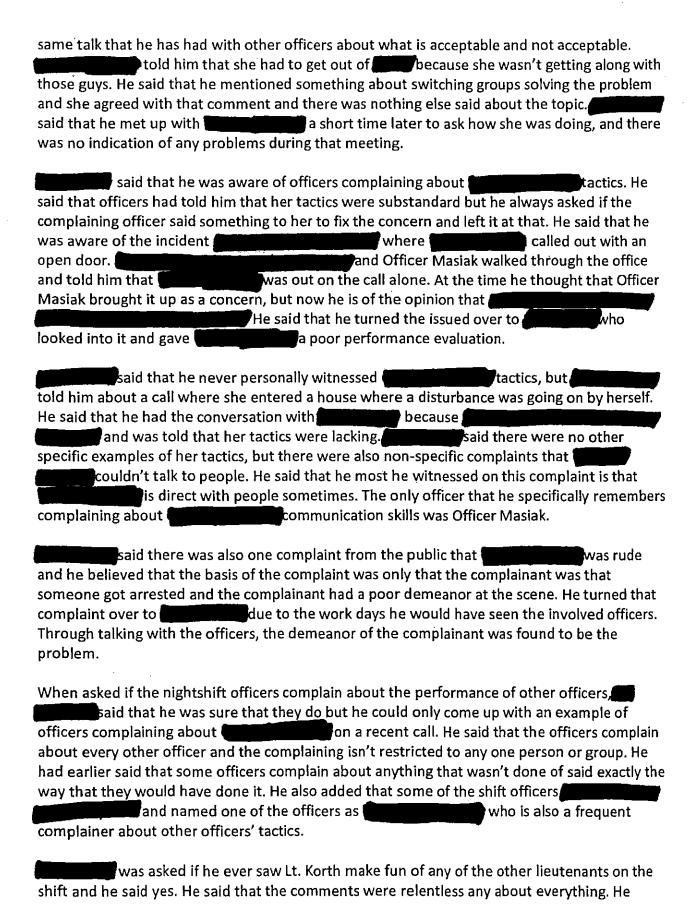
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before that she said,	
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She also said she thinks	
She said it was nice to have that	at one "go to" person in charge.
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majority of the harassment on the night shift. She s	ald
She was asked if there had ever been times when sh	se would come into the police department
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and Lt. Korth never said anything negative about	to her, but with Officer Masiak
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She was asked if she thought it was appropriate for	an officer or supervisor to send out
inappropriate messages and she said no and especia	•
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She was asked if she thought something needed to	pe done with the night shift and what was
going on and she said, "Absolutely."	
She was asked if she had been contacted by anyone	_
only thing she heard was that the investigation was	starting. She also said that
told her that she had talked with the Chief about the	e harassment issue, as had had
told her about all the prior issues as well.	
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on more than any other officers. She said she	
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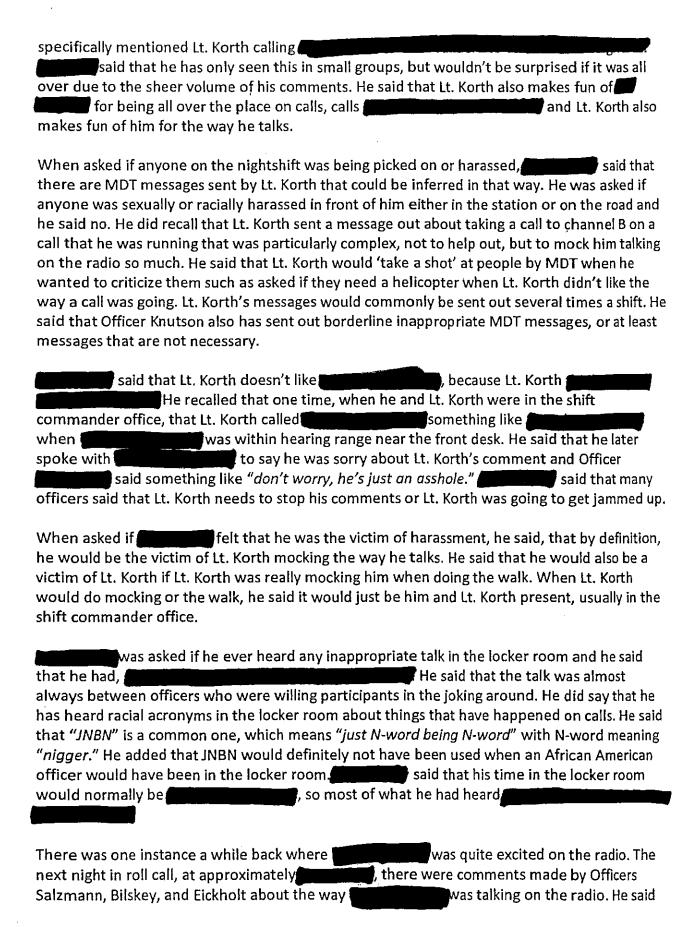
## **INTERVIEW WITH**

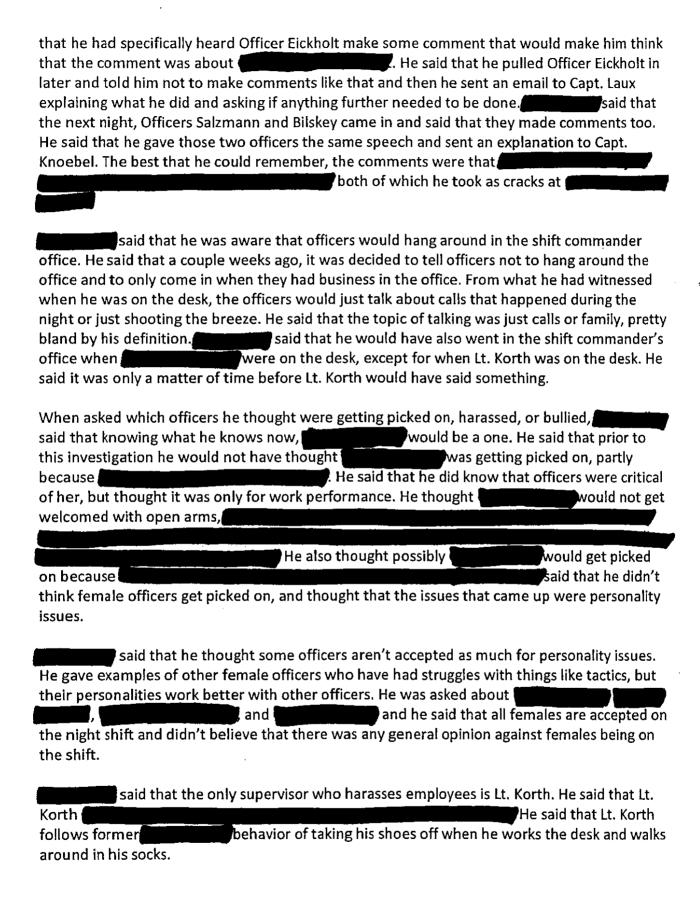
On the morning of January 6, 2017, was interviewed about this	s internal
was interviewed as a witness to the harassment, bullying, intimidation mistreatment of fellow employees and was told at the start of the interview the believed that he was a participant in any of the aforementioned behaviors. The interview focused Lt. Korth and what a way have witnessed reference alleged behaviors in the workplace.	at it was not beginning of the
stated that Lt. Korth commonly plays music loudly almost every time assigned to the shift commander desk position. He described the loudness as looverpower the volume of the dispatch radio in the shift commander office. New said that he has seem Lt. Korth dance around imitating various animals including monkeys, and turkeys, all in the shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including me who would be the subject of the imitation. The shift commander office and never including the shift commander office and n	ng deer, entioning anyone Lt. Korth make r grunts. As for
said that he would specifically avoid Lt. Korth when Lt. Korth was as shift commander desk because Lt. Korth was always feeling that it would come to something like this. He did add that he and Lt. Korth to their jobs as 'zookeepers' of an urban zoo and they would make various anim each other, including monkey noises, but nobody else would have overheard they would make the noises directly into the other person's ear.	and he had a rth would refer nal noises to
When asked how many times he had seen Lt. Korth imitate a walk that included pants and pushing his chest out, said that he saw the imitation about the said that he only saw the walk imitation in the shift commander office and to not been anyone else in the office. The first time that he saw Lt. Korth do the walk said that Lt. Korth asked him "who am !" and had a smirk on his face. It told Lt. Korth that he thought that the imitation was of him and told Lt. Korth the knock it off. He stated Lt. Korth then said "no, stated thought Lt. Korth was mocking him, because he confronted Lt. Korth sternly and doesn't like confrontation. He saw the walk a couple more times and there was about the imitation.	there would have valk imitation, he said that he hat he still ad Lt. Korth
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who should tell Lt. Korth to knock this stuff off.	never said



not involved in making the picture and just received the passes and that the passes are told him that he passes needed to know about the picture.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
said that he went into the station at a "mad de that he was just 'wild' about the picture. He said that Officer roll call and Officer Knutson was laughing about the Knutson that he hoped he wasn't involved in this and told wouldn't get passed around. At the time, said the picture. When came into work that night, the picture and state told him that the picture was made.	icer Knutson showed him the picture picture. He believes he told Officer dhim to delete the picture so it that he did not know who originated
said that he spoke with and that he found out that Officer Knutson made the picture of what to do with this situation. Said that he was the doubt that although Lt. Korth may have been in the repicture, he may not have been involved or aware of what said that a said that came in an asked why get harassed like this, and it was also said that a supervisor said that this would have been the first incident that he k harassment. After hearing concerns, and concerns, and in and said that this was way out of their lupstairs.	as going to give Lt. Korth the benefit of com when Officer Knutson made the was being done. A few hours later, they were allowing to or was doing the harassing. In word that he would have defined as said he called
When asked about that he took it upon himself to do this and no for consistency.	said were purposely involved
occurring on nightshift that could get employees "jamme trouble and that conversation was with the nightshift situation developed and he wished he would have	also wanted to clarify that the conducted up" meant that they could get in said that he feels bad about how the ave come forward earlier.
was asked if he knew any history of he said no. He said that when	ing bullied or harassed and he met with her and gave the







said that he thought that there was	
	. He said that short of putting a
He said that this time is a growing pain adjusting to just lieutena he thought that lieutenants on the shift haven't been supervisors for that long a supervisor experience.	explaining that all of the
said that he felt that all of the lieutenants on the nig as part of this investigation. As for officers, said that these problems were going on. He said that he also had never he handcuffs being taken by one of the nightshift officers that the handcuffs were taken, but had not heard a word about interview.	he did not know that all of eard anything about Officer s. He said that he was appalled
said that he has heard of the acronym "JNBN" and he shift commander office and in the context of a private conversal. He said that in the context that he has used that acronym, it was like a riot somewhere, and not about a specific person.	tion with just another officer.
INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER MIKE RAHN	
On January 11, 2017 Officer Michael Rahn was interviewed by P interview was done on January 20, 2017. He was represented by questioning he was given a copy of a Complaint Against Personn he was alleged to have violated. He was given time to review the conference room waiting to be interviewed, camera for the room is on and functioning. With the camera going a comment to the same as he reviewed the policies. In his face, he tells "I guess I'm not a witness officer, and twice and then makes a statement to saying "Like I nothing to hide, I know what I did, I'll stand behind what I did—what they choose to do."	Prior to nel and applicable policies that he policies. While seated in the walks in and tells him that the ing, he is seen on video making a sarcastic tone, and a smile on in 1?" He repeats this phrase is said from the get go, I got
During the course of the investigation it was discovered that Off initiate and send out derogatory MDT messages to other officer would repeatedly target and and frequencies of these messages were among the highest of any of discovered. From June of 2015 to December 2016 it is believed significant number of demeaning and derogatory messages directly supervisors. He was presented with only the top 30 threads of the believed to be the worst and asked to give an explanation. Mar lengthy in nature because when Officer Rahn sent the message	rs on his shift. These messages ong with others. The other night shift officer that Officer Rahn sent a ected at his fellow officers and MDT messages that were my of the MDT messages were

opinion from other officers. Prior to be questioned about the MDT messages he was asked if he has spoken to anybody in reference to this investigation. He replied that the investigation was "kind of the buzz of the locker room", and he's "probably talked with almost everybody." He admitted to speaking in nonspecific jargon with the had a joking conversation with the recently in lock room where he told ...that we've all sent messages and I guess I'll just take my days as they come" (referring to disciplinary days off).

The follow is a shortened version of the MDT threads that Officer Mike Rahn sent and the responses that were generated:

	Officers			
	that MDT.	Date of		
From	was sent	MDT	Brief Subject matter of MDT messages. Most	Intended
Rahn ి	To be	Message	include multiple threads and responses:	Victim
			should come in the back door" -	
MR1	8 officers	4/30/16	(sexual)	
			forgot what time it wasJesus what is	
MR2			doing	
MR3	Bahl	6/19/15	"omfg!!" - ( referees to oh my fucking god)	Profanity
			"Why is every call a show tonightWhy did	
			add herselfshe does not get iteveryday the	&
MR4	Bahl	10/25/15	county sounds better"	GBPD
			"there's a DeLorean at the hoteladd	
MR5	Bahl	10/25/15	.wait for itseriously, these new people"	
			"I cant believe went home earlyearly	
MR6	Bahl	12/20/15	Tuesday, early Wednesday"	
	Bahl &			
MR7	Behn	1/5/16	made it a long time tonight"	
MR8	Bahl	1/5/16	"Solid effort tonight by	
			"guess who off tomorrowbetter off	
MR9	Bahl	1/6/16	without her anyway"	
MR10	Bahl	2/6/16	"why is the in the interest of	
	Bahl &		"Poor just cant get anything right on that	
MR11	Korth	2/22/16	one"	
			"I though was our resident Winnebago	
MR12	Korth	7/8/16	expertLOL"	
	Behn,		"1/2 way through the year guys.	
	Spoerl,		have yet to complete a full week of work. Way	&
MR13	Walvort	7/1/16	to set the standard"	

	Brester,		"Well on a high note (District) wont have	
	Spoerl,		to check God forbid they stumble on	
	Xiong,		something, we'll do all the work, and they'll	
MR14	Bahl	10/11/16	take credit"	
MR15	Masiak	11/30/16	"say againLOL"	
			76 from Dousman	
			everywhereshocker doing union	
MR16	6 officers	3/18/16	workwho trained that guy"	
			"Man I got a stomach ach, I may need to 10-	Talking
			200it was a real dog fight, especially new TP	about his
			(toilet paper) dispenser, one square at a time,	bowel
MR17	Behn	1/14/16	really? LOL"	movement
			"" blowing some	
MR18	Opicka	6/22/15	black guy in the parking lot"	
			" coming from far west OOPs forgot about	
			that extra patrolguess the home address is	
MR19	Bahl	6/30/16	safe"	
			"No way!!! didn't finish her shift. I	
			wondered why I saw her in the Shift	
			Commander office earliernext up	
			units can call out with stuff in	
MR20	6 officers	7/8/16	not handle their own areas LOL"	
MR21	Bahl	7/20/16		
			"kids been here a year and he don't want	
V 4 - 1 - 1 - 1			coverthat must be a pre-requisite for being a	_
MR22	Bahl	7/24/16	badass	
			"this theft crap is out of controlseriously at	1 1
			my fill with this, IF they try to give me another	
MR23	Bahl	7/28/16	follow up I will lose my mind"	Supervisors
			"no need for more cars, got it on his	
			ownholy man wake up	
			cant really get any worseI sent him a	
			message im like Duh Tardoh wait nvm wrong	
			profession, get ready for a 4-6hr wait for swat	<b></b> &
MR24	Bahi	8/8/16	call in"	
			"2 for Winnebagolets go MHO, lets go	
			MHO!!! (Mental Health Officer)send it to	
MR25	Bahl	9/18/16		
			"Whats doing?no cluehmm LOLlol yup	
MR26	Bahl	11/1/16	hes like sir are you in need of police services?'	

MR27	Bahl	11/5/16	"LOL this cant get me written up:)I just instantly got hit with the need to poop, and I can tell there wont be anything solid about it:)"	Talking about his bowel movement
MR28	Bahl	12/3/16	"wtf(what the fuck)	Profanity
MR29	Bahl	12/3/16		
	Behn, Thoreson,		"round of applause for made it a whole shiftyour gonna get yourself in troubleill be	
MR30	Wife	12/21/15	fine"	

Officer M. Rahn admitted that the messages that he initiate were derogatory in nature and admitted he violated department policies by sending them. The general theme of Officer Rahn's MDT messaging showed frustration, childish, and sarcastic behavior where he would routinely become upset at other officers and supervisors. After only being on the Green Bay Police Department for approximately three years, Officer Rahn took it upon himself to be the caretaker on how he thought policing should be done by his peers. Many of those officers were senior to him and with more years of experience. When their conduct didn't meet his standards or opinions, he routinely initiated hurtful and bullying MDT messages to his close friends. He would also comment negatively on other agencies, specialty units such as SWAT teams, and the Mental Health Officer (MHO) program. As a note, Officer Rahn is part of the CCIT team (Mental Health Program) and had just recently been appoint a member of the Green Bay Police Department SWAT team.

Rahn commented that he sent the messages "out of joking and frustration", but seemed to want to belabor his justification for sending them out, saying "You know I've said this since I heard this was coming out (investigation), I stand behind everything I've done, because I felt that it was necessary to say. Whether or not it was right or wrong, I'll be the first one to admit that a lot of this is wrong and I'm willing to take responsibility." When asked if his actions gave him some perceived "hero" status on his shift - fighting for his guys, he responded back "I'm trying to fight the good fight for my guys." He did admit that by sending the message that his conduct did not show leadership. He continually went back and forth in his justification saying that it was wrong, but also seemed to defend his actions saying "at some point I felt the need to send all of them." Rahn said that the messages that he sent out could be "...taken on face value look terrible, I'm not going to deny that. But when I sent a lot of that stuff out it wasn't to be mean, it was meant to be funny..." He said in "hindsight" it must have been "asinine" for him to send them, "but hindsight is also twenty-twenty, and unfortunately I wasn't able to see into the future. Did I know this was coming, ya, I kinda did. Honesty, I'm kinda surprised it didn't come sooner."

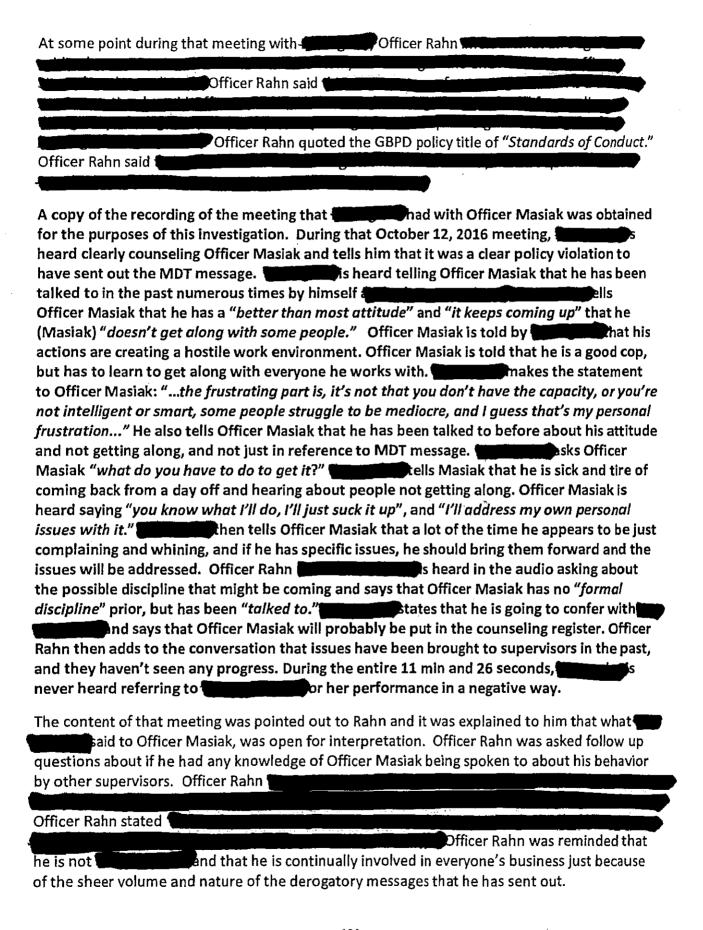
A large majority of the derogatory m	essages that Rahn sent out appeared	to targeted female
officers -	and specifically,	The other
two female officers on night shift are	e <b>and</b> and	

In the were no derogatory message located that target those two specific female officers. When asked about this, he commented he also said  The also said  He said it got frustrating over time. He used the excuse that  It was explained to Officer Rahn that any employees off time is a benefit they enjoy, and they have the absolute right to utilize that benefit as they see fit, as long as it falls within the parameters of contract and policy. It was made clear to him that when staffing levels fall below a minimum number, that by contract, more officers are called in for safety reasons. Officer Rahn stated
Officer Rahn said that a lot of messages were sent at a time where the police department was still a seniority base agency and he felt as if he wasn't going anywhere (advancement). He used several examples on how he would make drug arrest and the case would be given over to the DTF because they had more resources to handle investigations. He said he "pounds it every night" and "works as hard as he can" and he feels like he just "sits", implying that he doesn't get the recognition and advancement that he feels he deserves. Officer Rahn admitted that he was aware of the seniority system when he accepted the job with the Green Bay Police Department, and understood that he had to put his time in before he could advance, but commented that he didn't understand the real scope of what seniority was.  When questioned about his knowledge of any officers on night shift being harassed or bullied,
When asked specially about the majority of those messages he said the knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked if he knew of any supervisors sending out any messages about her. When asked what officers had the her asked that he comes from the Army and "expects there to be ridicule and expects people to give him a hard time." He said that when he started going to school to become a police officer he was told "day one" that a person had to be "thick skinned", that he was going into a career that you would be constantly ridiculed. He said that if you don't have "thick skin you can't self-motivate or accept then you're probably not going to make it." He commented that coming from the Army; he takes most of it as "friendly banteror don't take it as face value." He said he has done things in his past that other officers had made fun of him over and he views it as "funny." It was explained to Officer Rahn that there is a signifi

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them now" and he doesn't
Officer Rahn
While Officer Rahn was being asked these questions about and her time on night shift, it was pointed out to him that every female officer had been pulled in by because they had been the brunt of a lot of jokes, including Officer Mike Rahn
Officer Rahn was asked to give an opinion if he thought there was one officer on night shift that spoke negatively about in the men's locker-room more than any other officer. He said
Officer Rahn was asked if he had any knowledge of night shift telling Officer Masiak to "shut the fuck up" after Masiak was making disparaging comment about Officer Rahn
Officer Rahn said
In reference to and why he sent derogatory messages out about her, Officer Rahn replied He then added that any messages he would have sent would "have only been for her burning time." (Taking off of her shift)
Officer Rahn was asked about the incident where Officer Masiak sent out a derogatory all car message directed at and and an analysis when they were assigned to the control of the control
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Officer Rahn was asked if he later had a conversation with Officer Masiak in roll call after the shift telling him that "he had his back" and that nothing was going too happened to him. Officer Rahn admitted saying something similar to "I have your back", but his meaning was that as plooking out for his interests. He didn't think he told Officer Masiak that nothing was going happen. Officer Rahn said



Officer Rahn said that under the direction of more senior officers, he has tried to encourage others to "knock it off." He said that he has been doing this for months because he didn't want his shift to get "jammed up" and that he had "seen this coming down the pike for a long time."

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Officer Rahn  When he would say that he what did, he was
asked why he would send out dozens of derogatory messages about her behind her back? He then replied "I guess I shouldn't care."
Officer Rahn was given an example of other officers that are routinely off the shifts for SWAT training, dive training, etc., and there is no record of him caring about their absence from the shift or sending out messages targeting them. When asked what difference it makes to him if an officer is off for training, or if an officer takes off for vacation – both officers would be off the shift. He responded "it's just how I am." He replied
He stated that he wants to work with the best cops, and this is the reason why he never has any intensions of leaving Officer Rahn said it is easier from him to except "if people want to take their time to improve themselves, as compare to take their time, for whatever." Officer Rahn elaborated that he knows it stupid from him to care so much when another officer takes their time off, but for him, he said it was hard to process the concept of not wanting to be here (GBPD). He commented that he would work every day if he could, saying, "I just loving doing this." (Police work) For these reasons, he said it was hard for him to understand how an officer could do this job and still not want to be here. He gave the example of how he works Mondays, because he wants to be here so much and not lose his geography for the East side of Green Bay. It was pointed out that frequently only works a four day work week, because he comes in and picks up her fifth day, so she doesn't haven't to work it. Officer M. Rahn was asked if he thought should get picked on by other officers for not being at work and he responded,
Officer M. Rahn said
When asked how people would perceive "Officer Mike Rahn" if the numerous derogatory MDT messages were ever found out by the media, or the public, he replied, "I would look like an Asshole." When asked how he thinks the Police Department administration would think of him,

"owns everything that was sent" and said, "I know a lot of it is wrong."

nd said, "Probably super disappointed." He said that he

Officer Rahn was instructed that if he had issues with other officers on his shift, that he should follow the chain of command and go to his supervisors. He responded,
When asked if he thought there was adequate supervision on the night shift, he
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Rahn was asked who he had reported these concerns to in the past. He stated
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guys (including Rahn) make fun of him via MDT message behind his back for it.
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Officer Rahn said, "Like it or not, there's some people that can take a joke and some people can't." He said that if you think it's somebody that can't take a joke, you don't send the message to them. When asked if this is the way he treats the replied that he was not proud of what he did. Knowing how the property is now, Rahn said he was "down right ashamed" for the "cracks" that he made toward to some people that can take a joke and some people can't." He said that if you think it's somebody that can't take a joke and some people can't." He said the was not proud of what he was "down right ashamed" for the "cracks" that he made toward for the "cracks" that he would be "mortified" if the would be "mortified" if the would apology to saying, "Knowing himI'm sure he would probably accept it, but he would probably want to slug me, but so be it, I have it coming."
When asked if he felt the issues happening on night shift meets the definition of a hostile work environment, for some officers, he replied,
Officer Rahn said in the way he walks)  Rahn was asked to explain how the incident might have happened.

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Officer Rahn eventually agreed that all of the MDT messages, in question, that he sent out, violated polices of the Green Bay Police Department and it created an environment of harassment and bullying. He said he believed that race and sex did not have anything to do with the investigation involving him.

The investigation revealed that Officer Rahn had been bragging at a packer game to fellow officers on January 8<sup>th</sup>, about how he was going to get days off for his misconduct. When asked about it, he said, "I've said it many times, I know that I've violated MDT policy and would expect to get punished of it."

Officer Rahn was asked about any other issues, or problems that the investigation had not uncovered on night shift and he said it was important for guys to be heard about their frustrations on shift. He said

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On January 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2017 at approximately 0430 hours, an interview was conducted with was a potential witness to what had been going on, on the night shift. He was read a short disclaimer in regards to the scope of the investigation and that he must answer all questions truthfully, with advising he understood.  Was asked what had been going on, on the night shift and in particular about the investigation. He said now that the investigation is on-going, people show up for work and handle their calls and there is no more, "Smoking and joking," even with those people that he could do that with prior to the investigation. He was asked if there has been any talk in roll call or the locker room about the investigation and he said he has only heard that the investigation is about and Lt. Korth.
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was asked if there was anyone on the night shift that he felt had been harassed, bullied or picked on either directly or indirectly and he said he doesn't see it that way. He stated, "We all smoke and joke about things with each other and as far as I knew, no one flat out said this person is being mean to me, or singling me out or causing issue with me."
was asked about people sending out MDT messages and he said he couldn't recall specifics, but knows messages are sent out. He said there have been messages sent out car to car, between certain groups of people and all cars about certain people. He named and himself as being people that
have had messages sent out about them. Dagreed that the people he named were the ones a majority of the inappropriate messages were sent about. He was asked who those individuals were that are responsible for sending out a majority of the messages and he said, Lt. Korth, Officer Masiak, Officer Brester at one time and the he did say that he did not think messages were mean spirited like the others.
It was explained to the difference between the self- deprecating humor we do to each other as friends and the actions that are done behind someone's back made to degrade or embarrass that person and he agreed there was a difference. Said that whatever is sent out on the MDT, he does not take personal offense too.
was presented with a message that had been sent out on the MDT about <del>his</del>
The message read,  This was a message sent by a  Green Bay Police Officer to another Green Bay Police Officer.  "That's no good," about the message.  and was notified by Officer Mike Rahn that he had contact with the messages being sent out

leads, but he is pretty sure would be upset by it.
He was asked if he could remember any specific messages that were sent out by Lt. Korth, Officer Masiak or Officer Brester, that he thought should not have been sent out and he said he hasn't seen anything sent out in a while that would be inappropriate. Was asked if has ever responded to MDT messages, picking on others and he said he might have. He said when someone sends out an all car message about someone, he may respond to someone specific and not to the whole group. He said he does not go out of his way to comment on those types of messages. He was told that we have not seen any messages sent by him that would be inappropriate. Was asked if he could remember any inappropriate messages being sent out by anyone about him and he said no.
was asked about the locker room and if anyone had been talking about others, including supervisors and he said recently name was brought up. He explained someone was talking about her-
understanding is that
said it was him,  In the locker room having the conversation. He said they also talked about it standing on the wall outside in the East parking lot. He said they were talking about how it did not make sense that  Went to a fitness class and then back to lit was explained to that this
was not the case and the real reason
then said that he does not want to give any constructive criticism to anyone in fear that they will go to a supervisor and he will get in trouble. He was asked who he was referring too and he said the way and the said he does not go out of his way to help them, unless they come to him, because he does not want them to feel he is attacking them. He said he has heard that "they" do not take criticism very well. He was asked who had told him that and he said Officer Masiak. He was asked if he has observed any deficiencies in the way for the way do their job and he said he believes that has a hard time talking to people. He explained that the welling and they were talking normally to a subject and then the said yelling at the person.
said "they", including himself will "smoke and joke" with He said he still jokes around with him and it isn't a big deal. He said is "coming around" and learning that it takes time to earn trust and respect. He said, "We're not going to be buddy buddy right away, until I get to know you." either and when he has been; there have been several other officers on the same call.
was asked if there was anyone else that frequently talked about and he said and he said anyone else that frequently talked about and he said "All the guys that work with her said she's not a favorable con"

He then explained a situation that he had been told where the had stopped a vehicle and it was suspected that there was marijuana inside. Called for a K-9 unit to respond to conduct a search and Officer Masiak disagreed and told her she did not need a dog, as she had enough Probable Cause to search the vehicle. He said there was some sort of argument between the beautiful and Officer Masiak. It was explained to that requesting a K-9 unit under those circumstances could be beneficial, whether she had Probable Cause to search without one.
He also explained that Officer Masiak had told him about having called out with an open door had she cancelled her cover and sent out a message that she had already taken care of it. They felt this was an officer safety issue, as she had put herself in danger by handling the call alone. (This was explained by during her interview, that if she had called out with anything at that time of night, she would be harassed and chastised for it.) We explained that situation to have and he said he understood.
was asked if he was aware of or had heard talk about anyone saying sexist or racial comments about females or minority officers and he said no. He was asked if he had heard a comment directed towards while standing on the wall after roll call with someone stating, "Great, we hired another one of those." This was in reference to accent when he speaks on the radio. Said he did not hear that comment and he has said that was in said to understand on the radio, but it was not in a racial or derogatory manner.
We then talked about how the locker room and who is responsible for starting those conversations. He said Officer Masiak has brought up things about her. Said he has asked what had been going on with her and how she was doing, but never talked in a derogatory manner about her.
He was then asked if anything was being said about and an and said, "Not recently." said he had heard something about how sounded on the radio and this was during roll call. He said he could not recall who made the comment.
was asked if he had ever had a conversation with and in the locker room, about and he said no that he could recall. He said he has talked to be about the but not about the he was asked if he had had a conversation with anyone in the locker room about when Officer Knutson was present and said he did not think so.
He was then asked about a picture text message he had received from Officer Knutson, which was a picture of with a caption underneath reading "I can't work" making fun of her the picture had been taped to the back of the chair were she sat during said Officer Knutson had sent to him, Officer Eickholt, Lt. Korth and two or three others that he could not remember. Said he forwarded the message to so he was aware of it and sent a message hack saving "Not funny".

knew when he received the picture that it was not a good idea for the person who had sent it out to have done so. Was asked if anyone was talking about the picture at the Packer game that day and he said he talked to who is a union board member, and showed him the picture on his phone. Said he advised what he had brought it to attention.
was asked how he thought Officer Knutson fit in to this whole situation and if Officer Knutson had said anything to him after sending the picture. Said Officer Knutson has never talked to him about and he has never seen any messages sent out by Officer Knutson in reference to her. He has seen Officer Knutson since the picture incident and Knutson has not said anything to him. He did hear that Officer Knutson had taken responsibility for the picture, but that was all he knew. Was asked if he knew why Officer Knutson would send the picture to him and he said it may have been, because Officer Knutson may have sent it to people he knew he could, "Smoke and Joke," with.
was asked what he thought of what had been going on, on the night shift and he said he doesn't think things have necessarily changed, but people are putting things out over MDT. He said in the past, you could approach a fellow officer and tell them to knock it off and now, you can't. He was asked what he thought about the supervision on nights and he said he has brought issues to and he has done something about them.
was specifically asked about what he thought of and he said he does not have any issues with him, but he has heard stories of a hundred", yelling and screaming. Said the has not been like that to him, but he has heard from other people that he has done that on calls. He was then asked about the hand he said he does not have any issues with him either. He said the was asked about the hand he said, the was asked about the hand he said, the was asked about the hand he said, the hand he said, the was asked about the hand he said, the hand he said he had he said he had he said.
on to say that will not allow them to handle the call and make their own decisions.  He further said does not address some of the issues they will bring to him. He was asked about Lt. Korth and He said Lt. Korth would let them make their own decisions on a call and he was there as a resource.
was asked what the atmosphere was like in the shift commander's officer when certain people were working and he said, "I know what you're talking about, and certain people are on lunch." He said certain people like to eat when they eat and don't like to deviate from it. He also said  He was asked who the "group" was that he

type of atmosphere was productive and he was asked what he thought the atmosphere was like when Lt.  Korth was working in the shift commander's office and he said,  He was asked if it was a professional atmosphere or more like a frat house and he said,
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vas asked if he thought it was appropriate for officers or supervisors, in particular Lt. Korth, Officer Masiak and Officer Brester, to be sending MDT messages in the manner they do and he said, He said he would not recommend doing it, He was asked if he thought it was appropriate for a supervisor to be doing these things and he said,
was asked if he had ever heard the nicknames, and he said no and he had never seen those in an MDT message either. He was asked if he had heard the nickname and he said no.
He was asked if he thought the behavior on night shift had increased since the Captains left or if it was the same and he said
He was
asked if he specifically knew who had been brought in and he said he heard Brester and Masiak. He said he did not know of anyone else. He was asked if he knew if Korth had ever been brought in and talked to about his MDT messages and said he did not know. He was asked if it would surprise him if Lt. Korth had been brought in and was talked to about his messages and he said no.
was asked if he heard about Officer Masiak keeping handcuffs after transporting someone to jail for her and he said no. He was asked if he had ever observed or heard of the walk" and he said no.
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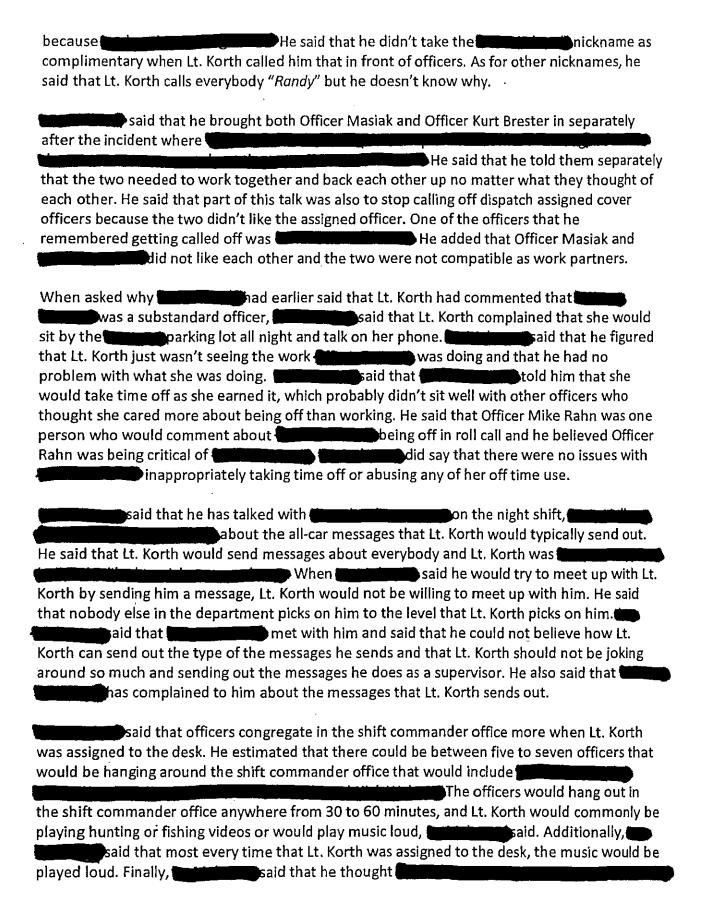
advised not to talk about the investigation with anyone, except his union representation and his wife. The interview was concluded at this time.

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that she had been assigned to	
When asked if there were any specif stated that	fic officers on the shift that she had issues with, and she However, she said that there was a period of
	She believes that then went to
reason why she	that she was being harassed or bullied and that was the

officers might have been bullied by one of the night shift officers and she told that that time that
stated that at the time she felt that
She stated that he would frequently send out MDT messages titled, "Knowledge is Power", and then add informational segments to his message reference case law or ordinances in a way to motivate the shift. She stated that after he would send out these all-car messages that Lt. Korth would usually follow up with a mocking MDT message to specific officers so that would not know that this was done behind his back. Stated that she was one of those officers that would frequently receive those messages from Lt. Korth. When asked how often she had received a message from Lt. Korth she stated that she could not remember but "it was a lot" and stated, "It was probably more than ten times." She commented at the time it was probably funny but
She stated that there was an expectation that officers are responsible for their districts just like there is on almost every shift on the police department.
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recalled that
many issues between the two of them but she did say that recently when she was in the girls' locker room and she saw she had made a comment to her, that "Casey's a real dick." Stated that she also recently attended a department sponsored school with Officer Masiak and he had commented to her, that he "wasn't very fond of her", referring to stated that she could not elaborate exactly on why their

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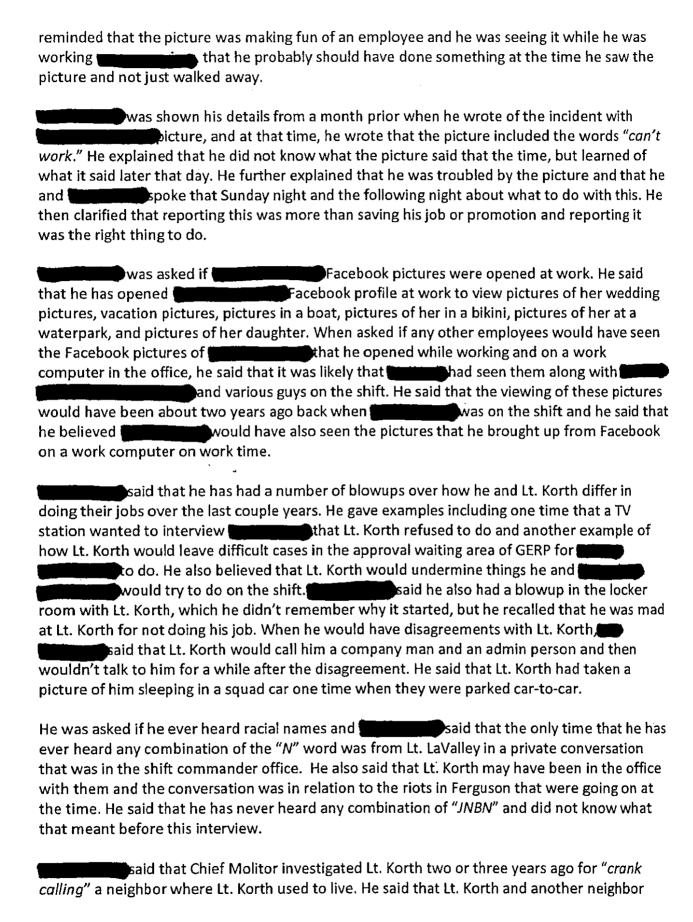
On January 13, 2017, PSD Investigators interviewed
reason for the interview and that at the time of the interview, he was considered a witness or victim of the harassment and bullying that had been found to be occurring on the nightshift.
When was asked if he believed any particular employees on the nightshift may have been the victim of harassment or bullying, he said that he thought he was a victim along with
He thought that was a victim due to a previous
incident where was picked on for
was asked who he thought was doing the harassment or bullying, he first said Lt. Rob Korth because he had personally witnessed him sending out a lot of MDT messages of that type. He also said that he heard that Casey Masiak, Mike Rahn, and Timothy Eickholt were bullying and harassing other employees and he heard this from other officers and supervisors.
said that he had heard Lt. Korth call the shift commander office with the said that he said that he asked what the said that Lt. Korth said
He said that he had some severe disagreements with Lt. Korth about work performance. One thing recalled was that Lt. Korth expressed his strong views that he was a Republican and
picked on the property of the
would send out messages ripping on him for an incident over a year and a half ago involving
said that the messages about turned into a blowup with Lt. Korth that ended with Lt. Korth telling him to lighten up and stop being a company man. He next said that he has heard Lt. Korth say that
said that he never saw he never saw the said that he shift average. Next, the said that Lt. Korth would say things over the radio that
would diminish what was going on with an active call, and he said that this would also be a time that Lt. Korth would say the joke about got so frustrated with Lt. Korth that he would just block him out, and although he considered Lt.
Korth a friend, he
said that he would avoid the shift commander office when Lt. Korth was assigned to the desk because Lt. Korth would have the music cranked. He said that Lt. Korth would
always pass gas in the office and think it was funny. When asked if Lt. Korth ever gave him a



and that he knew that Lt. Korth has called in sick after all day.	he was out fishing
was asked if particular female officers on the nightshift were pictured that was not picked on. He said that was picked the fringe on calls that were her calls and he heard that she left her district wher assigned District to meet another officer at a gas station in District the was not picked on,  He said that for taking a lot of time off on the weekend including taking off time and using she was bullied for taking time off and for the could not name specific officers, but he said that he had heard that about how much time was in the station.  Was no picked on,  He could not name specific officers, but he said that he had heard that about how much time was in the station.	d on for staying on when she went from the said that was picked on g sick time when picked on and at officers grumble
was asked if ever complained about being picked that she complained to him one time on a call on the said that report of a man with a gun and that other officers had the man in custody are back of a squad car by the time that arrived three to five minutes arrived at the scene, the officers asked her to watch the male she complained to that she was being picked on and said that took to mean that don't do anything about it. The said that watch the suspect only, because she was the last one there and that he went was on for a while and did not see any harassing behavior.	t the call was a nd seated in the later. When e in custody and you", which he she was asked to
has asked if he had ever heard any complaints about he said that the only one who mentioned her tactics with him was call at told him about was a call at the said that the movel of door and the had did not call for backup. He said that the did not because she did not want to disrupt the officers in District help her. He said that the would have thought the she might be disrupting other officers' brea have "caught hell" and he said this would only happen to the other District said that he spoke with the said that he arrived at the scene are motionally disturbed male. The said that he arrived at the scene are likely speaking with someone at the front door of the suspect hou spoke with the said said that he arrived at the scene are likely speaking with someone at the front door of the suspect hou spoke with the said speaking manner about this incident. When asked if any nightshift supervisors harassed or bullied people, he said that the that would do that would be Lt. Korth. The said that he had heard or imitation of the said that the imitation pulling up his pants and the said that Lt. Korth was imitating him had ever heard of Lt. Korth making monkey or ape noises, he said that he had	He said that the inding an open dressed the matter call for backup said that was a call involving an and found was a conly supervisor f Lt. Korth's in involved Lt. Korth when asked if he

if he had ever heard the phase "NDNS" or "JNBN" and after he was given an explanation of what this could mean, said that he had never heard that. He also said that he has never heard the "N" word in the workplace or by officers towards the public.
report the things they knew Lt. Korth was doing. He said that after the picture incident involving Officer Knutson posting the picture of the understood by reporting this activity, that he might be crucified for going upstairs by the guys on the shift even thought it was the right thing to do. Also during that night, the said that the positive they needed to go upstairs with the issues. The said that it was about the picture and a whole lot of other things that were going on. Then said that when he and the spoke about their previous concerns and the addition of the conversation with the saids that it was the perception that it was time to bring this complaint upstairs because they didn't want to lose their jobs
was asked what he had meant when he said that he would be crucified for bringing the complaint upstairs. He said that this meant that the night shift would label him as a "snitch" or a "narc" or that he was selling out his fellow officers. He also said that he thought
he and had already decided to go upstairs with the picture of going around, and the addition of telling that was fed up with these things and something needed to be done solidified the need to go upstairs.
was asked if he saw the picture of that was taken on a cell phone and he said that he saw if briefly at the Packer/Seattle game as Officer Knutson had it on his phone. He said the he looked at the picture and said "nice", which he meant as sarcastic and as "why would you do that", and he then walked away. Said that there were a group of officers by him, of which he thought included that he that time and that Officer Knutson showed it to the others officers as a joke. He said that he couldn't see what the words were below her picture, but did not think that the picture was complimentary to when he saw the picture, said that he was thinking "what did Lt. Korth do now" because Officer Knutson commonly works OWI patrol on the nightshift.
The night right after the Packer game, said that he talked with said that he did not

from and when he was told, the noises were not related to any person. When asked



said that both he and Lt. Korth were called in by Chief Molitor and that they both said everything that they did. He said that Lt. Korth called the neighbor "split wedge" and Lt. Korth picked on him because he was on administrative leave from a correctional officer job in Oshkosh. said that he doesn't know the real name of "split wedge" and said that he was very odd. He said that Lt. Korth picked on "split wedge" because he picked up on some of these oddities. Later in the interview, was asked why Chief Molitor would have called him in on the crank calls, and he said that it was because he had been at Lt. Korth's house when the calls were made. He said that he knew there had been an investigation by the DePere Police Department headed by Sgt. Guth who had called him about the investigation. As for the outcome of the meeting with Chief Molitor, said there was no discipline or counseling register entry, and Chief Molitor just told him to "watch what you do and knock it off." He said that he was not happy or proud of being called in by the chief and called by the DePere investigator, so he started to distance himself from Lt. Korth. was asked why Officer Knutson would have showed him the harassing picture of He said that he and Officer Knutson so he figured that Officer Knutson felt comfortable with him said that he wished he could go back to that day and do things differently. He then added that he thought was "milking the system" and maybe Officer Knutson knew that. that when got bumped out of taking Christmas or Christmas Eve off, that she and that he discussed this with then all of a sudden went He added that at the morale party, the said that she likes to do the least work possible to get the most credit and get the most time off. He said that there was probably six other people that may have heard this that could have included was asked if there were any problems between himself and Officer Masiak. He said that He said that Officer Masiak was teased for but he never teased Officer Masiak about this and was He added that he had was asked if he knew about Officer Masiak taking the second plants. He said that he was not working the night of the arrest, but was working the next night when came into the shift commander office looking for her handcuffs. He said that told him that Officer Masiak was the one who took the arrested person to jail, said that he sent a message or told Officer Masiak to come in to the station. He said that he had a conversation with Officer Masiak and Officer Masiak told him that he put the

made those calls and a complaint was made to the DePere Police Department.

handcuffs on the counter or in the drawer. When he saw a couple days later, said he asked her if she got her handcuffs back and she said that she did not get the handcuffs back and believed that Officer Masiak still had them said that he told what Officer Masiak had said and added that he had seen a pair of handcuffs on the counter earlier, so he thought someone had taken the wrong pair of handcuffs. He said he never heard anything further about the handcuffs and assumed that someone back.
said that Lt. Korth told him a story about when Lt. Korth told him that I
example that Lt. Korth would go to a gas station on duty and see a minority use food stamps and then openly comment that they were using his tax dollars. He said the only minorities that Lt. Korth would comment on in this way were African American, and Lt. Korth would comment that the person was lazy and needed to get a job so they would stop sponging off him. Said that Lt. Korth would commonly get the receipt from the station attendant and take a picture of the receipt to keep track of the biggest food stamp purchase. He said that Lt. Korth would comment that African Americans were lazy and didn't work and it was also possible that Lt. Korth would also use the "N" word during these times. Said that he never saw Lt. Korth take pictures of the receipts but Lt. Korth would show him pictures of the receipts on his phone on duty and comment on how much was spent on pizzas or sodas or whatever else. He said Lt. Korth would comment on things like the African American should get a job or should stop having kids or would comment that an African American had several kids. He also said that Lt. Korth said the full "N" word in relation to being upset at the Freddie Gray incident and Lt. Korth would complain that the officers were getting blamed for what the "N" guy did, and these conversations occurred in the shift commander office.
When asked about the supervision on the nightshift, and the individual supervision in particular, started by saying that
Of all the supervisors on the shift, said that he is most in tune with for supervisory style and communicates most with him.
Korth (
He thought that

## **INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER KURT BRESTER PART 2**

On January 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2017 at approximately 0537hours, PSD Investigators conducted a second
interview with Officer Kurt Brester. The interview was conducted in the second floor
conference room at the Green Bay Police Department.
was present. Officer Brester was given a brief synopsis of the investigation and complaint
against him, to include the alleged policy violations. He was advised that based on several
interview that were conducted since his first interview, along with some of his past responses
to questions, new information had been discovered, that we needed to talk to him about.

Officer Brester was presented with several MDT messages that had been sent by him or that he responded to. Below is an evidentiary chart of the messages:

	Officer			
	s that			
	MDT	Date of		
From	was	MDT		
Breste	sent ,	Messag	Brief Subject matter of MDT messages: Most	Intended •
r	То	e.	include multiple threads and responses.	Victim 3
KB1	Masiak	8/9/15	he's dumb lol	
	_ !		it's noons brah hahatry? Long snapper should be	Afternoon
KB2	Masiak	6/21/15	called in already	Shift
KB3	Masiak	7/23/15	check county callliving up to their name	BCSD
KB 4	Masiak	7/7/15	dumb dumb	
				UWGB
KB 5	Masiak	7/30/15	umm 2 uwgb cops lolgood stat	Police
KB 6	Masiak	4/3/16	prolly the only one 23 so far	
		11/26/1		,
KB7	Masiak	5	welcome to nightstaking care of your sector sucks	
		11/27/1	so you're saying I have to work the game and then	
KB8	Masiak	5	the road? But when will I see my family?	
	·		s cleqaring up for that 10-50 on greenbriar/	
KB 9	Masiak	12/5/15	clowns	and
			she asked if you wold and I told her that she'd have	
KB 10	Masiak	1/14/16	to ask you lol	
KB 11 *	Masiak	7/17/16	eally couldn't do the transport?	
KB 12	Masiak	7/25/16	g00000	
				Supervisor
KB 13	Masiak	7/30/16	only 2 sups and they are both on that call lol	S
		10/19/1	pretty cool that was used ust stays on training	
KB 14	Masiak	5	screen while we have Adam helping us lol	
		11/21/1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
KB 15	Masiak	5	probably just keep me 10-8 loloh	

		wonder what beef and his rider are talking aboutmust be pretty quick in that car	
KB 16 Masiak	8/22/15	will go"	
		I don't think kes pulling her weight	
KB 17. Masiak	8/17/15	mr. negativity is back in full swing	

Officer Brester was presented with the aforementioned MDT messages and was asked if he violated policy by sending the messages. Officer Brester said yes to each message.

Officer Brester was advised that after reviewing his first interview and from additional information being learned in the course of the investigation, investigators needed clarification on some questions.

Officer Brester was again asked who the officers were that were responsible on the nightshift for harassing others and he said
Officer Brester was asked who specifically had concerns with how preforms her job and he
Officer Brester was asked if he had ever addressed any of his issues about with a supervisor and he said  He said
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Officer Brester was again asked if he knew anything about Officer Masiak transporting a prisoner for the same and keeping her handcuffs and he again
He was asked if Masiak had ever talked to him about the incident and he
Officer Brester was asked if he was present when Officer Eickholt made a comment about and and a comment about ejaculated on her face and the she went home and kissed her kids with the same mouth. Officer Brester again said-
Officer Brester was asked if he had ever heard, seen or done the walk" and he said outside of work he has done it once or twice, but at work. He was confronted with the fact that in his first interview he told us that he had only heard about the walk and he said

asked if there were any racial under tones to the walk and he said He said Officer Brester said he is not going to
admit to something if he did not see or hear it. He was asked why he was doing the walk and what he or the agency would gain by it and he said, "Nothing, it's terrible." He said he has made fun of others as well. He said he has made fun of former and so he would not say it was just one person. He was asked who started the walk" and he said he was asked what he knew about the message, "Knowledge is power" and he said
Officer Brester was asked what he had meant when he said
He said  He was asked if supervisors could make traffic stops or do police work and  He was asked if it was his job to determine what supervisors can or can't do and he said
He was asked again if he made a statement about the referring to her as a and he said again, he did not make that statement. He was asked why an officer would tell us that he said this and he said he would like to know also. He was advised that he has given us answers in the past, which seem to minimize things and he said he could admit to doing it all. He said if he had the answers he would tell us. Brester stated, "Trust me, I want this over with just like everyone else does."
He was asked why no one hangs out in the shift commanders officer when the said, the was asked if they were stricter or more professional and he said the said. He said
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Officer Brester was again confronted with specific incidents involving on the state of the state
He was asked if he had ever heard anyone use the "N-word" during or after a call or in the shift commander's officer and he was asked how many times he had ever used the "N-word" after a call or in the shift commander's office and he said he has not used the word at work. He was asked if he would be surprised if someone told us that he used the "N" word at least 8 times and he said yes, he would be very surprised. He was asked why someone would tell us that and he said, "I do not know." He said he has used the word in the past, but not at work. He was asked if he had ever heard Lt. Korth say anything derogatory about black people, in particular about quest cards or being on welfare and he he was asked if he had ever heard the acronym "JNBN" and he

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was asked what he thought would happen with the relationships the Green Bay Police  Department has made with the black community if they find out and he said  He was again asked if he has heard anyone make derogatory comments about black people and he said  Brester was asked if he had ever used the phrase, "He talks like a drunk Mexican," and he said, "Yes, and more than likely I've said it"  (44:54 in Audio Interview 2) He was asked if he had ever heard anyone say that Hispanics always run from cops and he said  He said
Officer Brester said  He said  He did say  Officer Brester was confronted with the fact that other officers stated they have heard Officer Masiak make derogatory comments about minorities in the past and if he, being so close with Officer Masiak, had ever heard him make such statements and Officer Brester said  Officer Brester said  Brester was
asked if it was right for him to pass judgement on people and say that a majority of the people he dealt with in his district were of color and he said no.
Officer Brester was asked if he was aware of Officer Masiak leaving the City of Green Bay to meet up with a female Brown County Deputy and
We presented Brester with an MDT message and again asked him what it meant. The message was, "dumB", in which he replied the capitalized the "B" and it did not mean "dumb bitch." He said it meant absolutely nothing. He was advised that this message appears all the time in his conversations over the MDT with Officer Masiak and he said he did not know why they started it, but it did not mean "dumb bitch." He said it was just something they thought was dumb and no other meaning behind it. He was asked about several MDT messages that said, and he said it was with a "Y" on the end. He said that was the way he would spell with a "Y" and not an "E."
Officer Brester was asked if there was anything else he would like to add and he said everything that he could remember, he told us about. He talked about and everything that surrounded it and how he was embarrassed about the whole situation. He said

Officer Brester was asked if he understood how it looks, when other officers were telling us that he was present during incidents that he was asked about by investigators and he would say he didn't remember or he couldn't recall. Officer Brester was asked if he knew what Brady vs. Giglio was and he said no. Brady was then explained to Officer Brester. He said he now understands it and that he cannot lie, but he was not going to say he heard something when he did not remember it. He said, "I did not hear it or see it." He was saying this in reference to being asked if he was present when a comment was made about face and then she would go home and kiss her kids with that face. Several officer's during their interviews said that Officer Brester was present when the comment was made and Officer Brester denied being present or hearing the comment.

Officer Brester asked if we thought his MDT messaging had been better since he had his talk with and he said he thought his messaging did get better. We then reviewed some messages that he had sent after his discussion with the Captain and it was noted that his messages decreased, but there were some messages that were sent that were inappropriate.

The interview was concluded at this time.

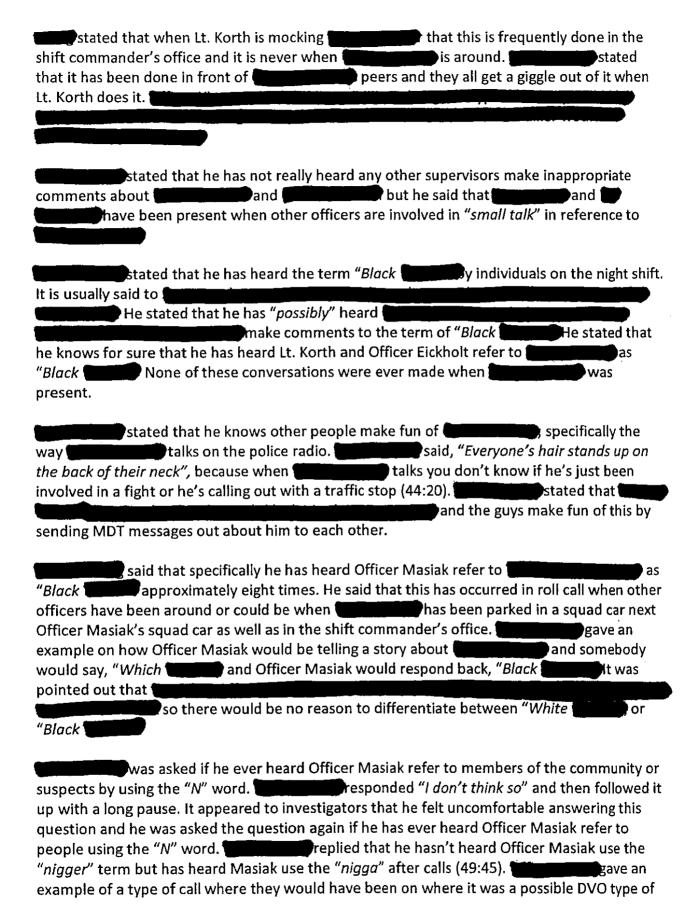
## INTERVIEW WITH

On January 6, 2017, at approximately 0430 hours, PSD Investigators interviewed as a possible witness in potential harassment. His accompanied him.

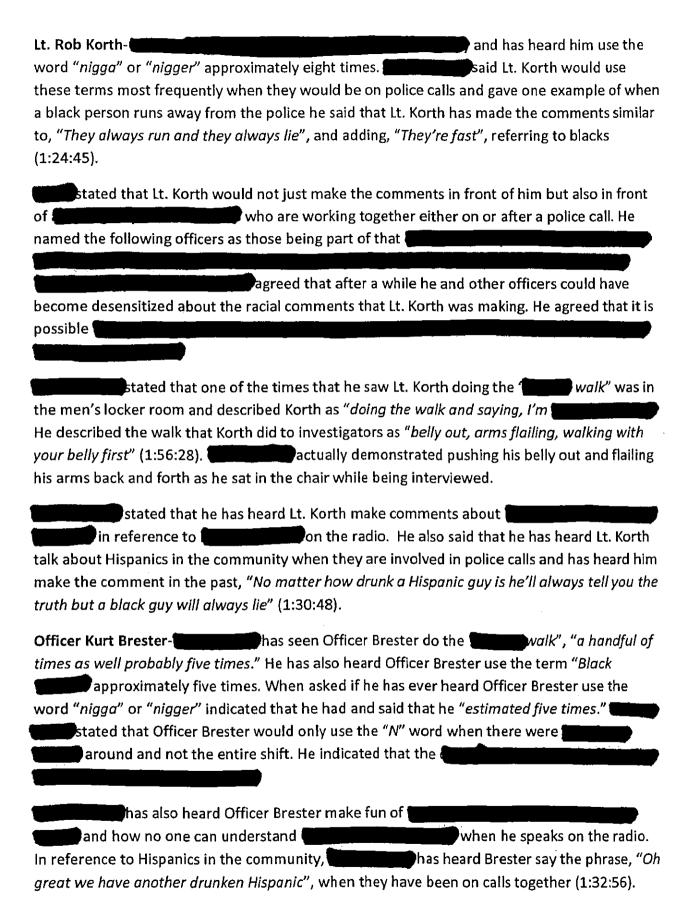
was asked if he had any knowledge of officers on night shift being picked up on or harassed and if he had did he had an opinion on which those officers would be. He replied that the two officers that would be picked on most are identified "district partners" as those officers who frequently pick on and felt that Officer Masiak was one of the main officers responsible for this behavior. Stated that Officer Masiak and Officer Kurt Brester were the two main parties who would frequently pick on

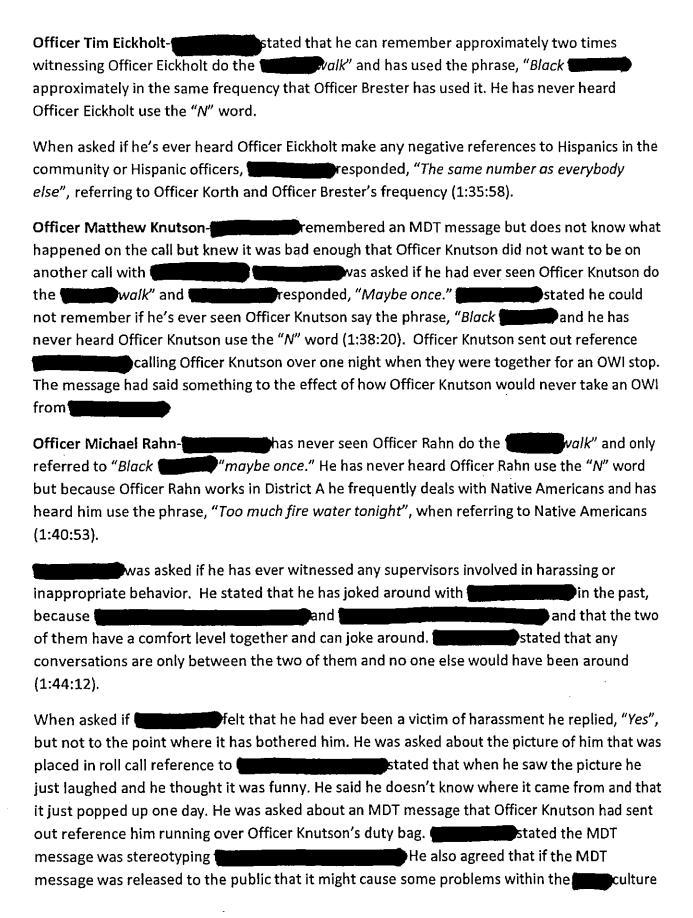
poor work ethic, her tactics and he has heard them say that she is incompetent as a police officer. Officer Masiak and Officer Brester specifically made these comments. Stated that he has personally seen bad tactics on a call that he was on with made in the last couple of weeks. He described the disturbance call in District where made a comment in front of a complainant and a suspect that she had "already taken two trips to jail" on prior calls and it was her Friday and so she did not feel like doing any paperwork on this call. He thought this call would have been in

stated that on the same night he was on another call with where it was a check the welfare call. He stated that when he arrived on scene he was knocking on the door trying to check the perimeter of the house and he could not locate. He asked on the radio where she was and he later found out that she was inside of the home on the second floor talking with the a female subject and the "belligerent boyfriend." It stated that the was going to when the first officers out. It is stated that as they walked the male downstairs, where kept close proximity to the intoxicated male and he elaborated that he would have handled the call differently once threats were made by the male to use force against the officers.
gave these two incidents as the only examples of calls that he had been on with where he could evaluate her tactics or policing style. He stated stated stated he never addressed either of these issues with any supervisors but he can remember Officer Masiak telling him that Officer Masiak had brought up issues in the past with supervisors reference tactics but he could not remember who those supervisors were. He stated that he knows Officer Masiak had mentioned going to supervisors on more than once occasion. He felt that because Officer Masiak had already gone to supervisors reference the large to a large this is why he did not go to a large this is why he did not go to a
and this is why he did not go to a supervisor or speak with about her poor tactics on the two incidents that he described.
When asked if knew of any other police officers reporting alleged tactical issues with supervisors he stated that he did not but he knew that Officer Eickholt had talked with the said that this conversation took place when she had just gotten off of the field training program. Officer Eickholt had told that he had tried talking to but she was not responding (39:20).
stated that in his career as a police officer he has made mistakes on calls and that his "district partners" have pulled him aside after to debrief him on how he could have done things differently. Said he has taken these suggestions to heart but this could not be done with because
stated he does not know why Officer Masiak does not like and does not know all of their history together.
was asked if he had any knowledge of any supervisors in the department mocking other officers and he stated that he has personally seen Lt. Rob Korth mocking in the way that walks. He said this happened a handful of times and when asked to estimate how many that would be he stated approximately five times. He has also heard Lt. Korth mock on the way that he calls out on the radio.

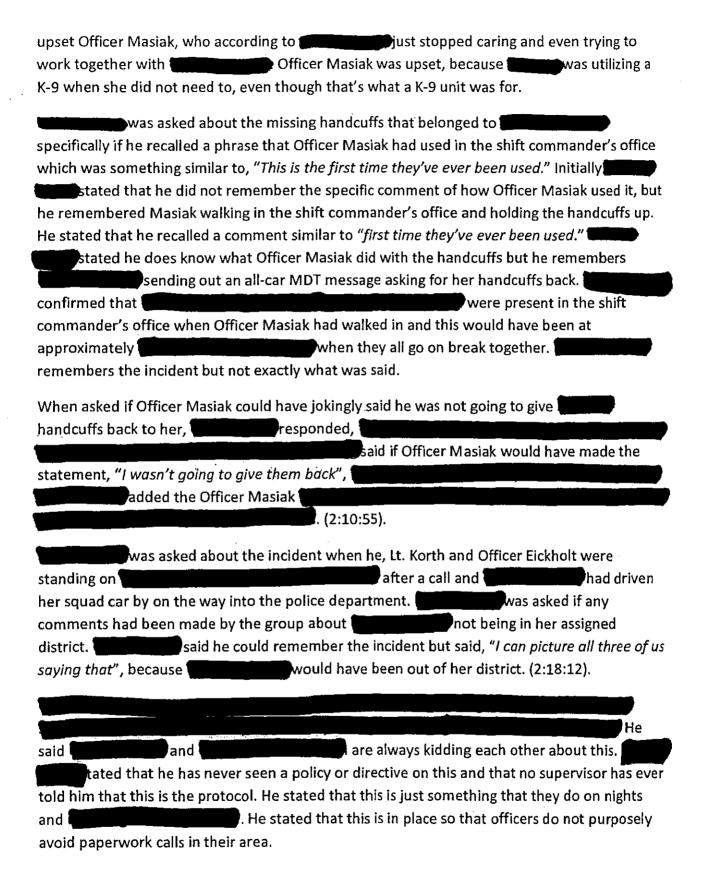


white guy is 50/50 and a "nigga" always tells a lie." stated that he has heard Officer Masiak use the word "nigga" approximate five times and said that when Officer Masiak is talking like this it is usually around a very small group of officers which would include and himself.
was asked if he had any knowledge about Officer Masiak making any derogatory comments about comments about officers on our department. He was specifically asked if he remembered an incident where Officer Masiak had made a comment, "Oh great we hired another one of those", when they were standing outside at shift change and voice came up on the police radio.
Officer Masiak talk about speech on the radio and that When asked again if he had heard of Officer Masiak making a comment reference "hiring another one of those",
After a short break was taken, was again asked the question on whether he heard Masiak make the comment about, "Oh great we hired another one of those." responded, "Yes", indicating that he had heard Masiak make the comment. Explained how the incident happened and stated it was at night after roll call and the shift was walking outside to get into squad cars from incoming afternoon shift. He said that "they" all laughed when voice came on the radio with the because he was hard to hear when he had called out with a stop. The said that "they" all walking and Officer Masiak turned his head back towards the group and made the statement (1:14:45). Could not recall the exact wording Officer Masiak had used and he did not know if it was racial phrase or not but agreed that if others had heard the comment "it would be racist"!
It was obvious to investigators that an and Officer Masiak were
as well and it was difficult for the difficult for the questions,
When asked if thought the comment was racial he stated that he did not think twice about it and just figured it was Officer Masiak just being himself. When asked if he thought Officer Masiak had issues with the minority people in the community, stated, "Possibly", and then added, "I can't say yes in the community people in the community, and then added, "I can't say yes in the community people in the community, and then added, "I can't say yes in the community people in the community, and then added, "I can't say yes in the community people in the community, and then added, "I can't say yes in the community people in the community, and then added, "I can't say yes in the community people in the community, and the community people in the community people in the community, and the community people in the comm
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said that everyone has a line that you do not cross and he and shift mates joke around a lot but they have never crossed his line. The referred to this as a "comfort zone"
A list of fellow night shift officers was presented to harassment or inappropriate behaviors from them. He responded accordingly to the following names:





in Green Bay. Stated there was no other conduct where he felt harassed and it there were he would report it to a supervisor but only after approaching the responsible party first.
was asked if he had any information on harassing MDT messages and who would have sent them out. He stated that Lt. Korth sent out the majority of harassing messages but other officers have sent them out as well. He said that in the past he has seen MDT messages sent out by officers specifically directed at "Guarding the because she frequently parks her squad car in the parking lot to utilize the Wi-Fi. stated that he is guilty himself of sending out derogatory messages and he gave the example of when he would see and meeting up together the state of the sending out derogatory messages and he gave the example of when he would see
which would be out of their districts. Stated that he would become angry and would send the messages out to his friends who included
was asked about the atmosphere in the shift commander's office on the night shift when Lt. Korth was working. He stated
He stated that he has heard music cranked up coming from the shift commander's office and that this occurs more with Lt. Korth than it does with any other supervisor. (1:58:18).
was asked if he remembered the wall incident where Officer Tim Eickholt had made a comment in front of a group of officers referencing ejaculating on the face of
stated he does not know why Officer Masiak does not like and does not know what could have happened in their past to cause the conflict.
stated that he was one of those officers.  Stated that Masiak tried to mend the relationship with but it just progressively got worse.
cited a recent traffic stop where to do a drug search on the interior of the vehicle. Officer Masiak was also on the call and told that she did not need a K-9, because there is an odor of marijuana present in the air and that she could do the search without the dog. Evidentially search and this

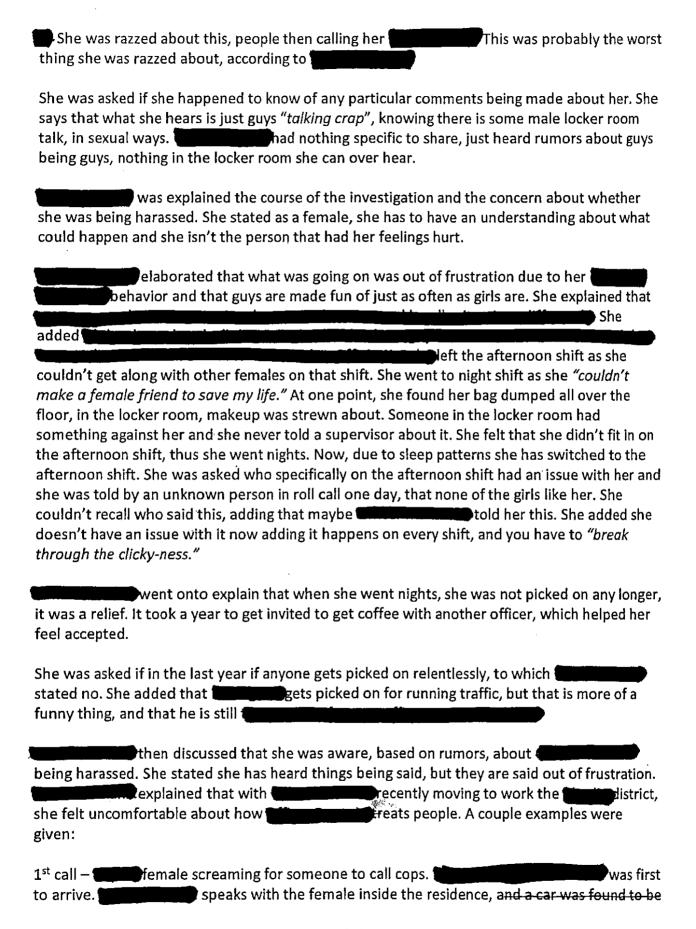


was asked his opinion of the leadership and supervisors on the night shift and he	
gave the following answers reference to supervisors:	
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administrative leave. He stated at one point Officer Masiak told him that he has made mistake	:5
and knows that he has to pay for them.	
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PSD Investigators received an email from control on January 31, 2017, at 1110 hours, stating she had recalled another incident. The email was as follows, which was referencing a	
conversation that	

## "Good Morning LT

I know you are beyond busy but I think this is important.
asked me if I talked to you guys about
what Casey said about had told I had totally forgotten about it until asked me if I told you.
Before came to nights, the guys found out she was coming to nights. One night before she came to nights, while we were on the wall, Casey was complaining about coming to our shift. Casey said "I'm gonna drive coming to ff the shift, or make her quit or make her kill herself!" There were multiple guys also on the wall. And I know I spoke up and said to stop and that that was horrible to even say.
I don't even know where you guys are in the investigation and y'all maybe done. But I was just reminded of that situation and I had to say something.
Please let me know if you need anything from me.
Thank you so much
In a follow-up email, was asked if she recalled anything more unique about the day, in an attempt to better narrow down the timeframe this comment was made.  She explained that the
comment made by Officer Masiak was heard by the normal group he hangs out with, as it was made by the wall as they waited for afternoon shift to turn over their squads.
An analysis of Telestaff, showed
On February 3, 2017, I met with the second She was briefed on these comments and was asked if she had recalled having this conversation with As they
met up, and knowing the rumor of this investigation, asked her how things were going. This was when asked her how things were refreshed her memory of the discussion they had asked her how things were that these comments were made to her, adding that it happened during the inquire of the inquire of the discussion they had asked her how things were going. This was when the inquire of the inquire of the discussion they had the inquire of th
that Officer Masiak commented along the back wall that coming to night shift was not a good thing, adding that he would 'make her want to quit, want to leave the shift, or want to kill herself.'

Later emailed back and
other events ongoing during this timeframe. Telestaff for the confirms that
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INTERVIEW WITH
On February 1, 2017, at 0500 hours, was interview by PSD Investigators. She was told that she was not the subject of this investigation and that the findings of this case, and her interview will be reviewed by the administration of the police department.
She was read our preamble, that each officer is read based on this ongoing investigation. After completing this reading, a basic background was discussed. The purpose of the interview is to determine if she was ever a victim of harassment and that was not a subject of the investigation.
explained that she has worked night shift to be some group of officers that still work that area. These officers being
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explained that going into this field as a female, she knew she would be treated a little bit differently. She added she has to work a bit harder to overcome this and it's on any shift. She feels that on night shift, people left her alone, but when she was on the afternoon shift people were a bit harder to work with by having to show others she is competent and is a confident officer. Working nights, she couldn't think of anyone that would say they don't want to work with her.
was asked about a conversation she had with about some guys on night shift were assholes. She later recalled maybe she was talking about afternoon shift, not the night shift. Stated she is not a victim of harassment, adding any new officer has a hard time, especially on the night shift due to it being slower.
stated that a new officer on night shift, can find it to build interpersonal relationships, and confidence. She feels like she does not look intimidating, and over the years she has proven otherwise. She knows she makes mistakes, and feels it is not a big deal if someone was talking behind her back.
She was asked about something specific people were making fun of her for. She explained



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Of note, prior to these incidents, and went over her annual review, in or around puring this meeting, it was known that was going to be moving from the district to the district. It inquired with personality and style. He recalled personality and style. He recalled explaining to her that she was going to be another officer she would need to work with and to try and get through the differences. Described explained to him that she stated at one point she had tried to personally meet with the personal to go over their differences, but that meeting was not met with a very warm reception.	
was asked if she talked with about this and she said she "was afraid to talk with her about it." She was asked if she talked to a supervisor about behavior on calls and she said they were brought to another supervisor's attention. The heard this from some guys, but no specific supervisor were aware of her behavior that she recalls. She heard that IA interviewed the guys about this so guys afraid to discuss it.	,
hext explained a 2 <sup>nd</sup> call for a guy making disturbance which did make a complaint about, which made her "extremely uncomfortable."  A male was outside of the establishment, and she was talking with him, and decided with him that he was going to take cab and leaving. This male started talking to about the military and becoming disorderly. began to leave the scene, as felt that presence may have made the situation worse. explained she was talking nicely to him and was wrapping up the call as the male was waiting for a cab. didn't like that he was venting about being in the bar, thus then told him in a "screaming match" about why he is not allowed in the bar. The was in his car, and had to get out to talk with the male to help calm him down.	

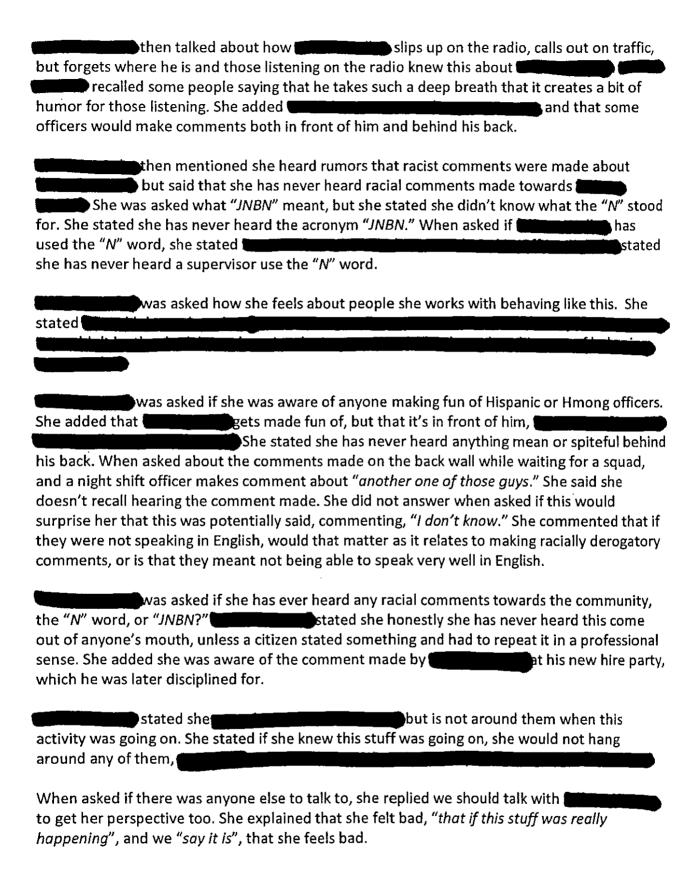
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gets her the experience to further herself. She was asked who had taught her that, she explained that is just what people do, and was never taught this from any Field Training Officer. She was never pressured to do this, and denied there being a culture on the night shift to handle calls in this manner, it's something she likes to do. was asked if she had ever seen or witnessed overt harassment to She stated that she has not observed or heard anything on the back wall while waiting for afternoon shift officers to bring in squad cars. She did admit to seeing an MDT message sent "once in a while." She recalled the message sent by Officer Masiak, which was in context with knows there have been others but could not think of specifically. When asked if she was aware of a supervisor that sent any type of harassing messages, she stated she had not seen any from a supervisor. She added that Officer Masiak sends these types of messages out more than anyone does on night shift. She was asked if she was aware of any other officers that could victim of harassment. She stated she did hear the rumor that and and an and were also a victim of harassment. She could not say for sure, as she spoke directly to the same and she denied being a victim of any harassment. She added that she does not talk to enough to determine if the rumor was true. any other message sent besides the one sent when was asked if is she has ever heard Officer Masiak say anything about getting to the point of quitting, leaving nights or suicide, as it relates to her coming to the night shift. See the stated she has never heard this, but admitted that Officer Masiak does make off the wall comments like this. was asked about a comment made by a night shift officer where ejaculating all over face, and how the second kisses her that mouth. This comment caused some that heard this to laugh, while others walked away in disgust. Said she never heard this comment directly that day, but she said she knows stuff was said. She added that when the relationship between said it was hard to work with based on this incident. She added that many were disgusted that which in some ways helped others make more jokes about

she learned this on her own, and wants to show people she is willing to work, especially if it

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Officer Masiak often makes off-handed comments



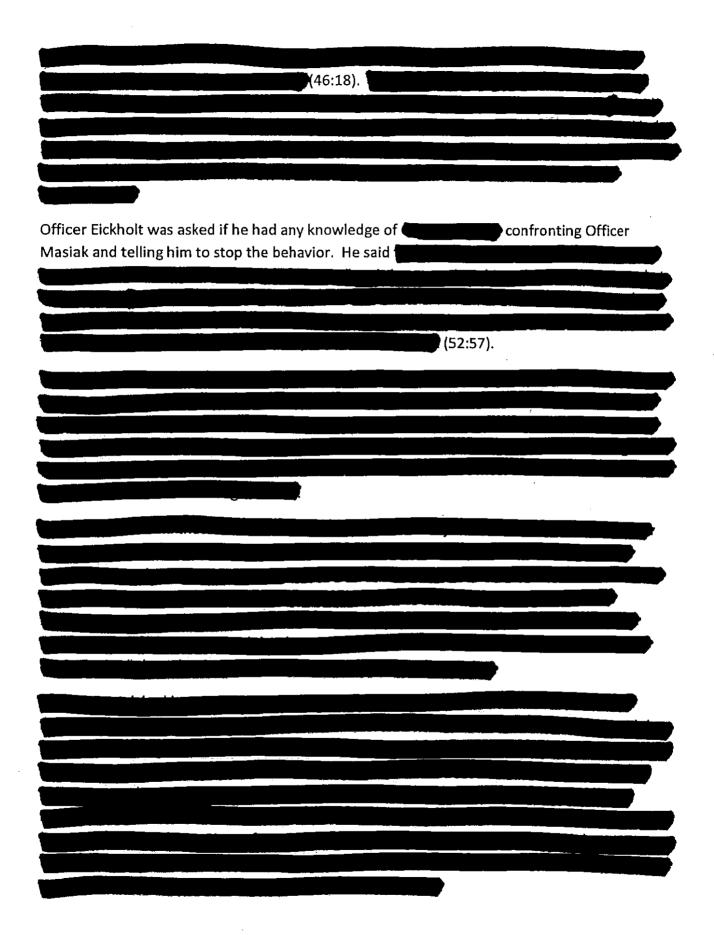
When asked if there was anyone else that are being picked on, besides the normal "being on the wrong channel", specifically the mean stuff; she replied
asked if she felt that things got carried away on nights, from her vantage point, and if there is an issue, she replied, When asked if there is a cure or solution to it, she said
was asked if investigators should talk to about harassment, which she replied yes. She also discussed how the reminded her of herself and that
Investigators asked how she would feel if a small group of male officers, had taken it upon themselves to banter back and forth about other officers via the MDT's about mean and spiteful things. She stated
then mentions, on her own, that she "wants to be truthful and I am being truthful" and "that it sucks to say things" about "was really, really hard." She worries that she is appearing to be bullying by telling on
then stated that "was so accepted right away", She felt that added that
was asked if deserve to be treated the way she was. She stated She again said, that it "sucks to have to admit that, and sucks to be in this position," "Don't want to do her, nor anyone else a dis-service. Not fair for her as a human to be treated unfairly."
She then stated she felt She brought up that would pull her aside and try and figure things out, if there was something going on. She stated

was then asked if she was the Chief, how she would attempt to make things better. She explained
also explained that initially, she was not a fan of supervisors showing up on her calls, but she has since found this almost refreshing, knowing that calls are being handled correctly.
She was asked if she felt if officers acted together to create a hostile work environment and if she felt that discipline was warranted. She stated that
She then asked about She understood that he was involved in this investigation and wanted to know if he was going to receive some repercussions. She also asked about shift moves as it relates to punishments. Was told that this will all depend on the outcome of the case and that this was the Chief's decision.
added that Officer Masiak
She also stated that Lt. Korth
reminded of the importance of making the right choices in such a highly visible public job.
was reminded that she is not to discuss the interview or any part of this investigation. She was thanked and reminded to continue to do a good job representing the Green Bay Police Department.
INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER TIM EICKHOLT
On January 4, 2017 Officer Tim Eickholt was interviewed in reference to his possible involvement in the harassment issues on night shift. His union representative, accompanied him. Officer Eickholt was given a copy of the complaint against personnel and was also given copies of the alleged policy violations.
Officer Eickholt was asked if he had any knowledge of officers on the night shift being bullied and harassed. He replied that
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Officer Eickholt was asked if he had ever been the victim of harassmen	nt. He said
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(32:35).	
Officer Eickholt was asked if there have been bullying, harassing and intimic	lating MDT
messages sent out about officers and supervisors (33:55).	
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Questions were asked of Officer Eickholt about the men's locker room and wheard harassing, bullying, or unprofessional behavior from officers.	whether he has
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	Officer Eickholt
was asked if it was possible that all of the stories about wer never really happened, and the stories had just got out of hand. He said	e only rumors and
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Officer Eickholt was asked if any of the conve	rsations, banter or rumors could connect him to
harassment, bullying or intimidation before r	oll calls or during or after his shifts. He replied
"Yeah" (1:06:48). He said that	He said it's not
only about her but also about	He said that
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Officer Eickholt was asked questions asked al	and if he thought, she
had been the victim of harassment.	
Officer Eickholt was asked about a police call	that he was on and
had driven by in her squad car heading	ng into the station (1:17:00). Officer Eickholt said
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that they made a "rather quick judgement" a	bout what was nappening.
	. He said he later apologized to her about it.
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Officer Eickholt	
	He was asked if
officers felt pressure not to leave there distri	ct, and he said

## **MDT Messages:**

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TE3	Masiak & Bahi	12/15/16	store)Shocker!", "is she there often?", "ya, cant stand it!"	
169	Dalli	12/13/10	From Bahl: "The must be well rested	
	Bahl		from last night", "or she saw her	
	Brester,		numbers from last year", "maybe	
TE4	Masiak	9/15/15	both", "haha"	
	Masiak,			
	Brester,		"and heres another call where	
	Korth,		shows up but does not get out of his	
	Xiong,		car!", "Look at the calls in	
	Opicka,		waitingeven when he is on the desk	
TE5	Marquardt	11/18/15	he still manages to create call!"	
				All officers
		1		in district
TE6	Bahl		"I hate working D"	D
**************************************			Exchange with Korth "why does she	
TE7	Korth	6/27/15	yell on the radio?", "IDK why does she do a lot of things"	
IL/	KOLLII	0/2//13	From Brester: "I cant take it anymore,	
			someone needs to tell	
			F4 (computer button) to update her	,
	Brester &		status and not goover the air about	
TE8	Masiak	6/27/15	going to the county", "You bet I will"	
7.000			"if I get a call on S Wash (bar district)	
16 de 160			and is my coveryou should	
TE9	Brester	6/27/15	probably jump the call for her"	

1.71			Exchange with Lt.Strouf: "Can you see who is with brester", "rgr, wonder what shes doing here", "enough	
			supervisors here", "yathey are doing	Anti
TE10	Stanton	6/8/15	a lot of union work lol"	Supervisor
	Staritori	0/8/13	" is 76 from Dousman/Oakland	Supervisor
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			(Convenience store) ha ha Shocker", "	
			s doing union work", "LOL taser	
	4		deployment", "or he is going to get	
	_ 1		into a foot chase and then go on a	
TE11	Rahn	Unknown	track"	
			"at least shes on her side of the	
			riverbefore I saw her driving down	
			"that's close to "when I	
			asked what she was doing she said she	
			was on a battery callher status	
			however showed that she was not on	
TE12	Masiak	3/18/16	any call", "kids these days"	
		!	Exchange with dispatcher: "Ugh!",	
			"whats wrong", "she can see the calls	
			dropknows they are in her sector",	
			"hah maybe if has worked a full week	
			she would be better LOL!", "and didn't	
			take so many person breaks", "haha l	
TE13	Dispatch	4/2/16	wish I could take 'personal breaks' ."	
Maria Section of the Control of the	Disharest	7/2/10	Tribil 1 could take personal breaks .	

TE4 = Officer Eickholt said that there is an "on-going joke" that if calls out with a lot of traffic stops early in the evening, that there is a distinct possibility that she is going home early (taking part of the shift off). He said that was not part of the joke.

TE5 = message about and calling out with traffic stops.

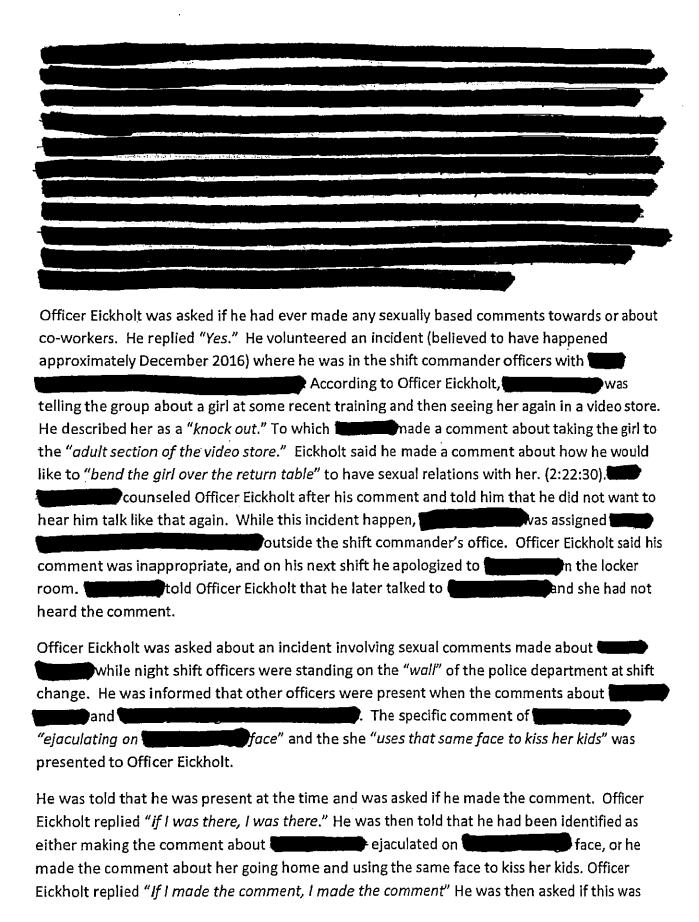
TE6 = Officer Eickholt hates working in District D

TE7 = had no idea what message was about, could possibly have been when suspect was kicking out her squad window and she got on radio asking for help... Officer Eickholt said it took a while for settle in" on the shift.

violation. TE9 = 0TE10 = Exchange with Lt.Strouf in reference to his perception of supervisors doing union work. TE11 = Exchange in reference to his perception of supervisors doing union work. TE12 = Message was in reference to how does her job TE13 = Officer Eickholt was having conversation with police dispatcher and sharing Officer Eickholt said he takes full responsibility for his messages. He added that he knows they are all potentially public, but when he initially sent them, he was have a quasi-private conversation with other officers. He admitted that he participated in behavior that would be directly or indirectly would be considered harassment involving , but added he has also done behavior "with numerous other people on shift." Officer Eickholt said it was a poor decision on his part to have done it. When asked if there was antiquate supervision on night shift, Officer Eickholt said (1:57:10):

TE8 = message was initiated by Officer Kurt Brester and responded back by Officer Masiak.

Officer Eickholt was only recipient of message thread and never responded back. No Policy

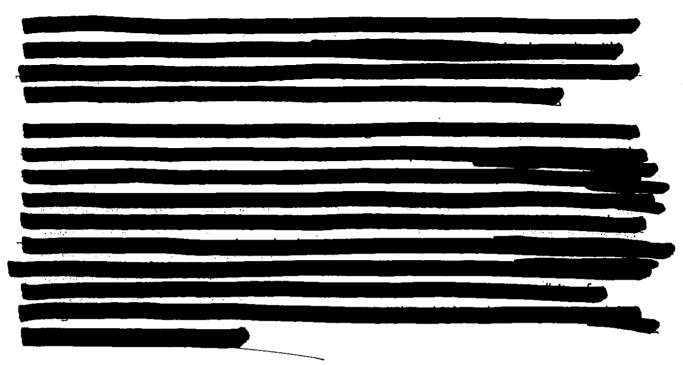


the type of comment that he normal would have said. He replied "prior to this, YA." He was asked a follow up question of he had made the comment or not. Officer Eickholt replied "If somebody told you that I said that, and I was there, and I was present and taking part of the conversation...then I did." Officer Eickholt was told that he should not admit to something if he didn't make the comment. He responded that he didn't remember saying the comment, but again said, "If I was there, I was there." He offered to take responsibility for the statement because others had said he made the comment (2:25:40).

Officer Eickholt was asked if he had made any comments in a sexual nature at all reference the He said "Yayes I have." He said that could not
remember anything specific about them and said that when he had been making the
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Officer Eickholt was asked about the locker room incident between the and the and the between the was asked if he recalled the between the between the was asked if he recalled the between the betwee
The comments made on the wall at shift change about ("oh great we hired another one of those") were explained to Officer Eickholt.
(2:29:35). Officer Eickholt was informed that Officer Masiak had made this comment. He was asked if he was surprised by this, the was asked if he has ever heard Officer Masiak make other racially based comments in the past.
When asked if he had ever heard Officer Masiak use the "N" word,
Officer Eickholt was asked if he had ever been present when supervisors were involved in
racially based comments or actions.
Officer Eickholt said that both he and the same have both mocked the way
walks. When asked about the walk". Officer Eickholt said he knew what it was and

answers: "I've observed it I know what you're talking aboutI've made comments to about it when about it when believe the boundary of the
said I was present when they did it, and that I had laughedif that's the information you have, I'm trying to own up to it, but I don't recall" (2:23:45).
He was asked if he had been present in the shift commander's office when Lt. Korth did the walk. Officer Eickholt replied
Officer Eickholt was asked if he ever witnessed anyone doing the walk and made derogatory monkey or ape sounds at the same time. He responded
After taking a short break and conferring with his Union representative, Officer Eickholt told investigator the following:
(2:52:20).
When asked again about Lt. Korth making ape or monkey noises while doing the walk, Eickholt responded He said
agreed that the monkey and ape noise would be considered racist and inappropriate.
When asked about the shift commander's office when Lt. Korth is assigned as shift commander, Officer Eickholt agreed (2:57:18).
Officer Eickholt said he has heard of the term "Walk" and "Walker",
Questions were asked of Officer Eickholt about the allege incident of Officer Masiak not returning handcuffs after a call the two were on together and it was believed that Officer Eickholt was present in the shift commanders office. He said

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## INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER SCOTT SALZMANN

On Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Investigators met with Officer Scott Salzmann in reference to internal affairs investigation 16-542I. Officer Salzmann was with Association representative.

Officer Salzmann was issued a complaint against personnel which included policy violations of Standards of Conduct; General Standards, Discrimination, Oppression or Favoritism; Discrimination Prohibited/Discrimination; Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct.

Officer Salzmann was also issued the administrative warning, which was read to him and he acknowledged the warning and signed the form. Copies of the four policies were provided to Officer Salzmann and he was provided time to review these policies and was able to provide his understanding of the policies, which were consistent with the intent of the policy.

Officer Salzmann was asked if he knew of anyone on the night shift who had been involved in intimidation or harassment of fellow employees. He was asked if he knew of who was a victim or harassment and who was participating in these behaviors.

asked if this information was ever brought to the attention of a supervisor
Officer Salzmann was asked specifically about any bullying or harassment involving
Officer Salzmann He was asked who was talking
about the performance issues with the was asked why he thought that Lt. Mahoney asked him
to talk to Officer Masiak and Officer Brester
He was asked how Officer
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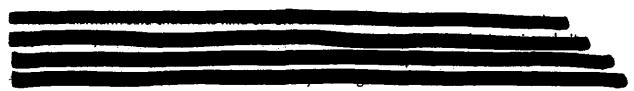
Officer Salzmann was told that the issue of not being part of the team has become a concern as this investigation has developed and there is a concern that this is related to the bullying and
harassment.
Officer Salzmann was asked to put himself in the shoes of a new officer, who had earned a four year degree, had attend the recruit academy, been thought our rigorous background process and hiring process, our FTO Academy and FTO program and they get on a shift and they hear the conversation about how they wear the patch, but they are not part of the team until we tell you that you are part of this shift. He was asked if this could be construed as bullying or hazing. Officer Salzmann agreed that he could see that and it could be construed as bullying or hazing.
Officer Salzmann was asked if he was aware of any MDT messages that he felt were inappropriate, or bullying.

A review of Officer Salzmann's MDT messages showed that he was not particularly involved in harassment or bullying of other officers. However, several inappropriate messages were located that were in violation of policy. Officer Salzmann was using words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with policy. The MDT messages that Officer Salzmann sent or received and responded to, were reviewed with him and he was able to explain many of the messages. However, the following messages in particular involve inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste.

Number	Sent To	Date	Subject	Victim	Agreed that Policy Was Violated
SS1	K. Brester	11/28/2015	U lost bro?		Yes
'SS2	Bilskey	12/19/2015	I hate you		Yes
SS3	Bilskey/ Krueger	12/24/2015	Awwwwhow fittingsnow on Christmas evenow time to take ppl to jail Yepmerry effing Christmas	N/A	Yes
SSA .	K. Brester	03/04/2016	No seriouslyit is to the north		Yes
	K. Brester	03/11/2016	U lost bro?		Yes
,\$\$6	Bilskey	03/19/2016	Newest car in the fleet and the power seat already is brokenpeople really suck at this place	PD	Yes
SS73	Schilling	03/20/2016	I don't think you will ever get used to iti still want to knock his teeth in sometimes		Yes
SS8	K. Brester	05/07/2016	Hawas just typinyou lost bro		Yes
SS9	Brown Co Dispatch	07/01/2016	I am surprised it made it to end of shift!some asses woulda been beat	N/A	Yes
SS10	K. Brester	07/02/2016	Lost bro?		Yes
SS11	K. Brester	07/03/2016	U fost bro?		Yes
SS12	K. Brester / Bilskey	08/02/2016	That's 1		Yes
SS13	Bilskey	10/26/2016	U lost bro? That medical condition is a bit of a stretch		Yes
SS14	Bilskey	11/01/2016	U lost bro?		Yes

Of the messages that were reviewed with Officer Salzmann, eight of the messages (SS1, SS4, SS5, SS8, SS10, SS11, SS12, SS13, and SS14) had content of "U lost bro" in them. Through interviews with other officers it was discovered that Officer Salzmann is identified by other officers as holding some sort of leadership role on the shift.

Officer Salzmann was asked about the "U lost bro" messages and he said that it was a running joke between him the said that it was a running when he would drive through his the positive sector.



Officer Salzmann was reminded that we are all part of the team and we can all patrol the areas of the City.

Officer Salzmann was asked about message SS2 as it referred to a message he sent to Officer Bilskey that said, "I hate you." It was explained to Officer Salzmann that we understand that he has a friendship with Officer Bilskey, but by typing this, and someone from outside the department sees this, they would be concerned as to why one officer is telling another that he hates him. Officer Salzmann understood the concern with this and the policy violation related to computer usage.

Officer Salzmann was asked about message SS3 that was sent to Officer Krueger and Officer Bilskey. The message referred to it snowing on Christmas Eve and now it was time to take people to jail. He also typed, "Merry effing Christmas," in this message. Officer Salzmann understood the concern with this and the policy violation related to sending these types of messages.

Officer Salzmann was asked about message SS6 that he sent to Officer Bilskey. It appeared that Officer Salzmann was talking about a squad car seat that was broken and typed in his MDT message, ".....people really suck at this place." He was asked if talking about his co-workers, other officers and employees of the Green Bay Police Department like this would be disruptive to the efficiency of the department and he agreed with this.

Officer Salzmann was asked about message SS7 as it was related to a message he sent to Officer Schilling and not getting used to working with Conficer Salzmann typed "......! still want to knock his teeth in sometimes." Officer Salzmann was told that this banter between officers is the thing that the investigation is about. Officer Salzmann understood that this kind of message would disrupt the efficiency of the department as it relates to policy violations.

Officer Salzmann was asked about message SS9 as it related to his message ".....! am surprised it made it to the end of shift!.....some asses would been beat." Officer Salzmann said that this was about a dispatcher, who had made a birthday cake for his kid that was brought into the PD. Officer Salzmann said that he was surprised that the cake made it to the end of the shift without anyone touching it. He was asked if he understood that the "some asses would been beat" portion of the message was inappropriate and would not look good in the eyes of the public, and he agreed with this.

Officer Salzmann was then directed to message SS13. This message started out with Officer Salzmann sending Officer Bilskey the message, "u lost bro?." The message continues on with a message from Officer Salzmann sending another message to Officer Bilskey, "weird how still on admin....even tho mtg is over." Officer Salzmann continues with this message with, "that

medical issue is a little bit of a stretch." The roster for this shift on 10/26/2016 was checked and that the stretch was the control of the stretch was the s
Officer Salzmann was directed to the policy on discrimination based on a medical condition. Officer Salzmann was reminded that this investigation involves the fact that officers were being critical of
Officer Salzmann knew about but still used this in an MDT message that was in poor taste and a violation of policy.
This was the end of the MDT messages that were reviewed with Officer Salzmann. He was asked if he had any further questions about the review of his MDT messages and he did not. He was told that as a result of the information that was obtained during the investigation, PSD was directed to review all MDT messages from night shift and this was why we were discussing these particular messages with him. Based on the review of the MDT messages with Officer Salzmann, it was determined that many of his messages were in poor taste, unprofessional and, or inappropriate. Officer Salzmann used inappropriate words and made inappropriate comments in his MDT messages with words like "merry effing Christmas", "knock his teeth out", "asses would have been beat", and "bravo is getting its ass kicked right now." Of more concern is that Officer Salzmann sent a disparaging remark about "that medical issue is a little bit of a stretch."
Investigators then began to discuss topics of behaviors that Officer Salzmann may or may not have been involved in and the behaviors of other officers on the night shift. Officer Salzmann was asked if he had witnessed anything that could be construed as harassment or bullying on the night shift.
Officer Salzmann was asked if he generally feels that there is adequate supervision on the night shift.  asked how long he thinks that there has not been inadequate supervision on night shift

Officer Salzmann was asked what he thought about Lt. Korth
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Officer Salzmann was asked if he has ever seen anything with that was of safety concerns or performance concerns
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Officer Salzmann was asked if he has ever heard or used the term "Walker" and he said that he has not heard of this and has never used this term. He was asked if he has ever used the "N" word, and he said he has not. He was asked if he was familiar with the term "JNBN" and he said that he has heard this phrase and may have used this term. Officer Salzmann could not name a specific time when he used this term but said that it was used years ago out of frustration related to some chaotic incident. He estimated that he used it seven plus years ago. Officer Salzmann said that he has never heard of the Walk and did not know what it was. Officer Salzmann said

This ended the interview with Officer Salzmann and he had no further info to provide. Officer Salzmann answered all questions in what appeared to be in a truthful and thoughtful manner.

# **INTERVIEW WITH OFFICER KEVIN BAHL**

On 02/17/2017, PSD Investigators interviewed Officer Kevin Bahl in reference to his involvement in the ongoing internal investigation as to his conduct related to harassment, standards of conduct violations and/or discrimination and prohibited speech.

The Green Bay Professional Police Association represented Officer Bahl. Officer Bahl was asked to report to the Professional Standards Division. When he reported to PSD, he was provided with copies of the Formal Complaint, the Administrative Warning and copies of the three policies alleged to have been violated. Officer Bahl was given time to review the complaint against personnel, the administrative warning and the policies he is suspected of violating.

During this interview, Officer Bahl was directed to the formal complaint against personnel, copies of the policies that he has been alleged to have violated and the Administrative Warning and Statement of Employee Rights. Officer Bahl was read the Administrative Warning and he said that he understood the statement, and then the four policies were reviewed with Officer Bahl. These policies included Standards of Conduct; General Standards; Discrimination, Oppression or Favoritism; Discrimination Prohibited/Discrimination; Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct

Officer Bahl was informed that the results of this investigation would be turned over to the Chief and the Chief would determine the level of discipline if any. He was told that he could take break and confer with his rep at any time and he said that he understood that he needed to answer all questions truthfully and completely. Officer Bahl was asked if he had talked with anyone in reference to the investigation and he said that he talked to the investigation and may have talked to others in general about how long their interview was and about the fact that the investigation revolved around MDT messages. He said he did not talk to anyone about specific questions related to the investigation.

Officer Bahl confirmed that he was given access to the Green Bay Police Department Policy Manual (Lexipol) and he understood that he must be knowledgeable about the policies. He also said that if he did not understand a policy that he knew he needed to talk with a supervisor for clarification. Officer Kevin Bahl requested that each policy section related to the alleged violations against him be reviewed with him. The above policy sections were read to him word for word at the request of Officer Bahl. Officer Bahl was asked if he understood the policies that he is to have allegedly violated and he said that he does understand the policies and made remarks as to his understanding of each policy. Officer Bahl's response to his understanding of each of these policies was based on him reading portions of the policy back to investigators. Officer Bahl was asked to express his understanding of the policies in his own words, however, he responded by reading portions of the policy back to investigators and appeared to be unable to express in his own words what each policy means.

At this point in the interview of Officer Kevin Bahl, he was told that we would be reviewing MDT messages that he had sent. 17 messages were selected as being of concern and appeared to be

in violation of policy or policies. The following is a listing of MDT messages that were reviewed with Officer Bahl:

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Number	Sent To	Date	Subject	Victim	was violated
KB1	M. Rahn	06/12/2015	Forgot what time it is		possible
	M. Rahn Masiak				
	Eickholt				
KB2	K Brester	12/28/2015	3-4 people on an EM-1 at the hospital		yes
KB3 :	M. Rahn	12/28/2015	LOL	111111	Yes
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KB4	M. Rahn	01/06/2016	Guess who is off tomorrow		Yes
	Nespoli,	24 (42 (224 6			\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
KB5	Dantoin	01/12/2016	Everyone can log off 5 mins early except units		Yes
KB6	M. Rahn	02/22/2016	NOPE. I'm and I do what I want		Yes
KB7	M. Rahn	03/30/2016	How did hot take that call?!		Yes
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KB8	Rahn	07/24/2016	Why would get the bearcat?		Yes
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KB9	M. Rahn	11/01/2016	That kid is special		Yes
KB10	M. Rahn	07/24/2016	Driving the f back home	n/a	Yes
KB11	M. Rahn	07/08/2016	Next up		Yes
KB12	M. Rahn	01/05/2016	Solid effort tonight		Yes
KB13	M. Rahn	12/20/15	Went home early / shocker who would have guessed		Yes
P CTO	141' 1791111	12/20/13	I hear the packers r looking to pick p next year / this		163
KB14	M. Rahn	12/13/2015	sucks		Yes
		44/40/2045	When did mason/military become who knows. I		Ves
KB15	M. Rahn	11/19/2015	thought taylor and Larson was		Yes
KB16	M. Rahn	10/25/2015	Cause that's what does lol		Yes
KB17	M. Rahn	08/15/2015	Looks like david is in Charlie now	n/a	Yes

Officer Bahl admitted that 16 of the 17 messages that he initiated or responded to were in violation of policy and negatively affected the effectiveness and/or efficiency of the Green Bay Police Department. Officer Kevin Bahl clarified that message "KB1" where he sent the message that "Forgot what time it is" was not a slam on the confidence of Green Bahl feels that he has a good relationship with the same and he would not be offended by this. Officer Bahl was asked why he didn't include the line on this message and he said that he thought that was busy and he probably wouldn't get the message as the reason for not sending him the message. Officer Bahl was told that even if the was busy at the time, he would eventually be able to see the message and it would have likely negatively affected the effectiveness and/or efficiency of the Green Bay Police Department. Officer Bahl was told that communication, which could be viewed as negative by a co-worker or the public and was behind the back of a fellow officer, was not appropriate. Officer Bahl acknowledged the fact that communication behind the back of a fellow officer was not appropriate, however, he feels that his relationship and friendship with the same would not be negatively impacted by this message.

Investigators directed Officer Bahl to message "KB2." He was read the MDT message string and asked to tell investigators what he was referring to in these messages. Officer Bahl was initially trying to justify the message and in general, he was trying to justify all of his messages as "no big deal." In particular with message KB2, he said that he was not being negative toward any of the officers and again said that he had good professional or personal relationships with and the state of the did not really know the state well and He was again asked why he did not include these officers in the message and he did not have an answer other than to say that it was only a comment in reference to "admin" understaffing district on a regular basis and how busy district is. He also referred to the fact that statistics would show that the busiest district. He was asked if he had the statistics and he said he did not. He was asked if he had done a study on this and he said that he did not. Officer Bahl was also told that sending this message had nothing to do with how "admin" staffed district. He was told that this was based on the staffing agreement in the contract and was not something that would be debated in this setting, but could be discussed when the contract was opened for negotiation in a few years. Officer Bahl was asked about his professional or personal relationship with the said he said he had a good working relationship with the second of this was truly the case, because he would see that there was a pattern of who he decided to target in his inappropriate and unprofessional MDT messages. Officer Bahl was also asked why he would send this message to Officer Mike Rahn, Officer Tim Eickholt, Officer Casey Masiak, and Officer Kurt Brester when in fact; these officers would not be able to do anything about the number of officers on certain calls or staffing levels in District. He was asked what he should have done if he had a concern about officers activities or staffing levels, and he said that he understood that he should have talked to a supervisor.

During a nearly 30 minute conversation related to message KB1 and KB2, Officer Bahl continued to minimize and made attempts to justify the messages he sent out. He was hanging on and

evaluating every word that was in the messages. Officer Bahl was told that it appeared that he was trying to justify the messages and the fact of the matter was that the messages should not have been sent in the first place. Officer Bahl made statements that he was not sure if the officers he was referencing in the first two messages that were discussed, would or would not be upset about the fact he was talking behind their backs. Officer Bahl was not willing to accept that the messages that he sent would likely make others upset. Officer Bahl decided that he wanted to make the comment that others have sent messages about him. When asked how he knew this, he said that he would see the messages because they were "all car" messages. Officer Bahl was told that if it was an all car and he knew about the message that this was different from what he was doing. He was not including those that he was ridiculing or talking about in his messages, so they did not have the opportunity to address the issues with him because they knew nothing about it.

At 29 minutes into Officer Bahl's interview, GBPPA rep asked for a break. Investigators then reconvened with Officer Bahl and the state of approximately 15 minutes later and Officer Bahl was again directed with to message KB1 and he again started down the path of making excuses about sending this message and he feels that this message is not a policy violation, because of his relationship with the state of the contract o back to message "KB2" and Bahl again continued to make excuses that he has a good relationship with the officers he was talking about in the message. He said that it really depends on the comments that were made and what was being talked about behind these officers backs as to determine if it was offensive or not. Investigators continued to discuss messages "KB1" and "KB2" for one hour and eight minutes. During this time Officer Bahl did all he could to minimize and justify his messages. He went from blaming the administration for staffing issues, that he was not targeting anyone specific, that statistics show that District is always busy, that he has good relationships with the officers he was talking about, that someone was not logged in so he would not be able to include the person he was talking about, or the fact that they were busy and would not see the message until later as to why he would not send the message to them. In the end Officer Bahl was told that the message he sent should not have been sent in the first place and he agreed. However, Officer Bahl attempted to justify his messages until I directed him to the question of, "did this message disrupt, or impact the efficiency of the department" and he agreed that it did. He was also asked if this was a policy violation and he agreed that it was.

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Officer Bahl said that he does not think that would appreciate the message
about her. Officer Bahl agreed that these messages were a violation of policy. Officer Bahl
made a statement that this has nothing to do with gender but had to do about
work performance and safety issues. He was asked where in his job description that he was in a
position to evaluate job performance of another officer. He was asked if he was an FTO and he
replied "No", he was asked if he was a supervisor and he said "No." He was asked if he
reported the performance issues and safety concerns to a supervisor and
He was told of the process to first report to his immediate supervisor, then the shift
district captain, then the commander and finally the chief of police.

Officer Bahl was then directed to message "KB5" and asked why he felt that he had the authority to determine who could and could not log off at the end of their shift. Officer Bahl was asked if it was his responsibility as a patrol officer to tell officers when they should go on calls and when they should clear calls and he said that it was not his job function to do this but he has cleared officers from calls when they were not needed for a call he was on. He was asked if that was what we were talking about and he admitted that it was different. Officer Bahl was asked if this message was a policy violation and he said that it was a policy violation.

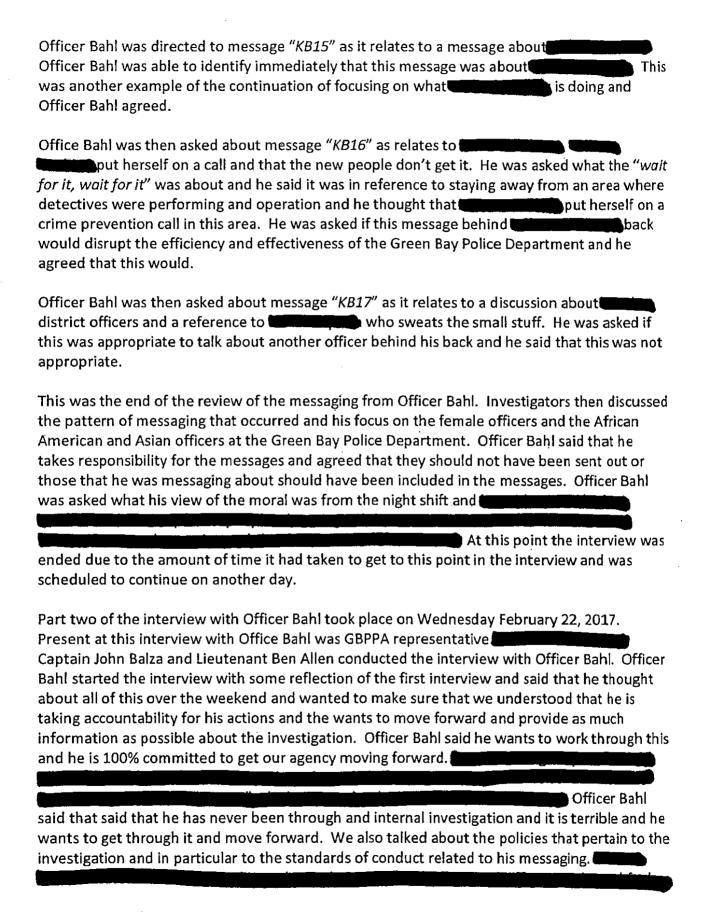
Officer Bahl was then directed to message "KB6" and asked what this message was about and if it was appropriate. This message was in reference in the same and his comment of does what she wants. He was asked if the same was aware of this message being sent out about her and he said that it was about the police style. He was asked if this was a policy violation and he said that he took responsibility for sending the message and it was a policy violation.

Officer Bahl was asked about message "KB7" and why he sent a message about and he was asked if he talked to a supervisors or anyone about safety concerns and performance with the said that he said that he did not. He was asked if this is a policy violation and he said that this was a policy violation.

He was then directed to message "KB8" and asked about why he sent this message in reference to "fight club", an officer getting the Bearcat at the end of his shift, and calling off cover. He was asked if any of these messages had anything to do with police work and Officer Bahl was asked if this was police related and appropriate and he said it was not and it was a policy violation.

Officer Bahl was asked if he remembered message "KB9." He was directed to the portion of the message where he indicated that "see "special." He was asked if this was an appropriate message and if it was a policy violation. He agreed that it was not appropriate and was a policy violation.

Officer Bahl was asked about message "KB10" as it related to an incident in DePere and listening to a tactical call going on in DePere. This message also had mention of the "fight club", the merit based system, "drive the F back home." He was asked why he was being critical of the DePere Police Department and why he was worried about what was going on in DePere and was not worried about what he was supposed to be doing in Green Bay.
He
admitted that the comments about the merit based system had to do with the new contract and also admitted that "drive the F back home", meant drive the "fuck" back home. He was again asked if this was appropriate and a policy violation and he agreed that this was not appropriate and was a policy violation.
He was then asked to look at message "KB11" as it relates to and and another than the said the said the said they could do anything about the amount of time that these officers take off and he said they could do nothing. He was asked if he was seeing a pattern of behavior and messaging about and now and he said, "Yes." He was asked if this was a policy violation and he said, "Yes."
Officer Bahl was asked about message "KB12" as it relates to the state of the control of the con
Officer Bahl was directed to message "KB13" as it relates to be going home early. Officer Bahl was asked if he knew who be was and he said probably to be sick time usage policy in this message and said that supervisors shall monitor sick time usage and take action. Officer Bahl was asked if Officer Rahn was able to do anything about another officer's sick time or off time usage and he said that he should have talked to a supervisor
he was asked if he felt that the would be happy that he was talking behind her back and he said no that he did not feel she would be happy and this was a policy violation.
Officer Bahl was then directed to message "KB14" as it relates to a message about "punting" a call for service, which refers to most doing what he should on a call. Officer Bahl was also directed to the section of the message that he typed "this sucks." He was told that this was certainly unprofessional and asked if it could disrupt the effectiveness and efficiency of the Green Bay Police Department and he agreed that it would not look good in the eyes of the public.



but he also understands that he should not have sent out the messages.
Investigators then directed Officer Bahl to pre-scripted questions related to this investigation. Officer Bahl was asked if he was aware of any harassment that was directed to anyone specifically, behind anyone's back, to their face or otherwise and
Officer Bahl was asked if he was aware of anyone sending out messages that were
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then asked to think of any messages that were related to "knowledge is power" messages, and
Officer Bahl was asked if he remembered a message being sent out related to
and assisting with an OWI traffic stop.
Officer Bahl was asked if he recalled a conversation between himself, Officer Masiak and Officer
Michael Rahn related to Officer Rahn saying to Officer Masiak that "we got your back, nothing is
going to happen to you."

Officer Bahl as asked if he had ever received a message similar to "yo one."	ou lost bro?" or "that's
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He was then asked if he had ever been in the locker room when ther between officers or between officers and supervisors that were inap others back, or bullying type conversations.	
Officer Bahl was asked if he had heard of or been involved in any cor	nversations of a sexual
nature related to a co-worker.	
He was then asked if he had to pick anyone on the shift that was a ta	arget of harassment or
bullying, who would that be.	
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We then talked again about the issue of messages related to making	
gun. He was asked if this was sometimes a legitimate message, mak	ing sure that officers have
their equipment prior to going out on a shift.	
Officer Bahl was asked if he knew of any supervisors that had failed t	to stop any harassment or
had participated in harassment or bullying.	
the was asked if he knew or heard of Lt. Korth talk about	ind that he made

the comment that "her ass is so big, that she needs to turn sideways to walk through a door."
Officer Bahl was asked if he felt that there was adequate supervision on night shift. He was
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He was asked about his friendship or personal relationship with
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Officer Bahl was asked if he had any concerns about people taking off too much time and he said that he has been told several times that he should not worry about how or when people are off. He said that his messages about people using off time were more about frustration than anything.
He was asked if he knew of the issue of officers jumping calls in order to get other officers off of calls.
Officer Bahl was asked if he had knowledge of the walk." He said that he did not know anything about that
asked if he ever heard anyone say "Great, we hired another one of those", in reference to
He was asked if he had ever heard an officer use the "N" word or the term "JNBN"
He was asked if he knew of a group of officers that hung out in the shift commander's office on a regular basis around 0430 hours in the morning

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Brester was asked if he (Brester) was the one	that sent the message and he said that he could
not remember.	
	Prester was asked what that meant and he
said he had no idea.	
Officer Brester was asked what the MDT mess	sage, "You lost Bro," meant.

There were no further areas of clarification with Officer Brester and the interview was concluded.

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Department of Police

Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

DT: 07/14/2017

To: Officer Kevin Bahl

RE: Loudermill Hearing

Officer Bahl,

Based on the information that you provided during your internal investigation interviews with the Professional Standards Division, the interviews with other involved officers, the supporting documentation and evidence, I will determine the disposition of the investigation and any discipline as a result of your actions.

The policies that are suspected to have been violated are the following:

314.3.1 - Discrimination

320.4 - General Standards

320.5.3 – Discrimination, Oppression or Favoritism

320.5.9 - Conduct

1027.4 – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct

You met with Internal Affairs Investigators on February 17, 2017 in reference to your involvement in the night shift internal affairs complaint. Investigators went through the standard paperwork and reviewed policy with you and you said that you understood. Investigators then began a review of your MDT messages.

During the review of your MDT messages, There was a nearly a 30 minute conversation about two MDT messages where you attended to justify and minimize the content of the messages that you sent out. It was clear that you showed some sort of concern with the amount of time off used or how other officers used their off time. You particularly focused on this with when asked about why this was any concern of yours or what any of the officers that you sent messages to, could do about the off time usage you could not give an answer to this and understood that other officers could do nothing about how officers use their off time.

Department of Police  Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police
Many of your messages revolved around concern of what and were doing. You sent an all car message "Everyone can log off 5 min early except units". Units on this particular date included and you expressed that this was out of frustration that was taking too long on a call and did not respond to another call. You were asked what authority you have to allow officers to log off early and why you would concern yourself with what other officers were doing. You said you don't have this authority.
Your message review continues to show that you have concern with taking off time and how she responds to calls for service. You also expressed in your messages related to and what she does or does not do at work. You said that you take responsibility for the messages and agreed that they should not have been sent out.
You were again interviewed on February 22, 2017 as a continuation of the first interview. Investigators went through a series of questions with you and you provided thoughtful and honest feedback related to the issues on night shift. It appears that you have stayed away from issues involving racial comments and gestures, however, you appeared to have participated in messaging about
The internal investigation is nearly complete, however, you are not to discuss the investigation with anyone involved in the investigation. You may discuss the investigation with those that are considered covered by the privilege exception. I am considering a serious level of discipline. Prior to me making a decision, is there any additional information you would like to share?
Sincerely,
Chief Andrew Smith
I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.
Received: Date:



Department of Police

Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

August 11, 2017

Officer Kevin Bahl 307 South Adams Street Green Bay, WI. 54301

RE: Discipline letter

Dear Officer Kevin Bahl,

The Department has completed its investigation into Internal Affairs complaint 16-542I, which is a complaint in reference to the night shift harassment investigation. You have been alleged to have violated GBPD Policies 320.4 – General Standards & 320.5.9(n) - Conduct & 1027.4 (a) – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct. I have concluded that you did violate these policies and have sustained the allegations related to this investigation.

I appreciated the fact that you understand the gravity of this investigations and have taken responsibility for your actions that you took. I hope and believe that you have learned a valuable lesson from this incident and I appreciate your cooperation in this matter. After a review of all of the information, I have decided to issue the following discipline:

- You will serve I day of an unpaid suspension. The I day will be served on August 16, 2017.
- You have already received re-training in the policies related to Harassment, Discrimination, Prohibited Speech, General Standards and Conduct at In-service. You will also receive additional training related to Harassment and Civil Rights violations at the 2017 Fall In-service.

This letter is also a notice that any future misconduct, of any nature, may result in discipline up to and including termination. Retaliation against anyone involved in this issue will not be tolerated and will be separate grounds for serious discipline up to and including discharge. As a represented employee, you have the right to grieve this disciplinary action under the Green Bay Professional Police Association collective bargaining agreement.

Respectfully.

ANDREW J. SMITH Chief of Police

Green Bay Police Department

I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.

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#### COMPLAINT ADJUDICATION

Complaint by:

**Green Bay Police Department** 

The Internal Complaint Investigation, No. 16-542I, resulted in allegations of misconduct against 11 Department Employees:

Police Officer Kevin Bahl

# SUMMARY AND BASIS OF COMPLAINT

On December 12th, 2016 at approximately 0600 hours, Professional Standards Division (PSD) investigators were made aware of allegations that a patrol officer was possibly abusing sick time. During the initial stages of that investigation, a Department supervisor said that approached him, and asked when the supervisors where going to do something with all of the harassment against a particular officer assigned to night watch.

Based on the information provided to PSD investigators and an initial investigation into the matter, it became apparent that a pattern of harassment of certain officers on the night shift by fellow officers and a supervisor was occurring. That harassment toward a small group of people and was in violation of several policies of the Green Bay Police Department. The investigation determined that a substantial amount of this harassment was being done over the Mobile Data Terminals (MDT) in the squad cars. This prompted a review of 18 months of MDT messages of each of the night shift officers. This also prompted interviews with 29 members of the Green Bay Police Department, and is some cases, multiple interviews with the same officers.

A review of Officer Kevin Bahl's MDT messages revealed that he was responding to messages that were sent to him that were inappropriate. He was not particularly involved in harassment or bullying of certain officers, however, he was focused on how two female officers in particular used their off time. Several inappropriate messages were located that were in violation of policy. Some of the examples of Officer Bahl's inappropriate MDT messages:

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ALLEGATION 1. During the review of Officer Bahl's MDT messages, There was a nearly a 30 minute conversation about two MDT messages where he attended to justify and minimize the content of the messages that you sent out. It was clear that he showed some sort of concern with the amount of time off used or how other officers used their off time. He particularly focused on this with a female Officer. When asked about why this was any concern of his or what any of the officers that he sent messages to, could do about the off time usage, he could not give an answer to this and understood that other officers could do nothing about how officers use their off time.

Many of Officer Bahl's messages revolved around concern of what two of our female officers were doing. He sent an all car message "Everyone can log off 5 min early except units". Units on this particular date included one of the female officers. He expressed that this was out of frustration that this female officer was taking too long on a call and did not respond to another call. Officer Bahl was asked what authority he had to allow officers to log off early and why he would concern yourself with what other officers were doing. He said you don't have this authority.

Officer Bahl's message review continued to show that he had concern with one female officer taking off time and how she responds to calls for service. He also expressed in his messages related to another female officer and what she does or does not do at work. Officer Bahl said that he takes responsibility for the messages and agreed that they should not have been sent out.

Officer Bahl was again interviewed on February 22, 2017 as a continuation of the first interview. Investigators went through a series of questions with him and he provided thoughtful and honest feedback related to the issues on night shift. It appears that he stayed away from issues involving racial comments and gestures, however, he participated in messaging about two female officers. Officer Bahl said that he take responsibility for his actions and mistakes and wants to right his wrongs. This Contrary to GBPD Policy 320.4 – General Standards & 320.5.9(n) - Conduct & 1027.4 (a) – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct.

#### CLASSIFICATION

Allegation 1 is classified as SUSTAINED.

#### PENALTY

Officer Bahl will receive a Personnel File Entry and a one day unpaid suspension.

# **PENALTY RATIONALE**

The investigation determined that at least sixteen of Officer Bahl's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Bahl admitted that the fourteen messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch.

I believe the penalty assessed will accomplish the three goals of internal discipline. Primarily it will serve as a reminder to Officer Kevin Bahl and will ensure that incidents of this nature involving Officer Bahl will not recur. Second, the penalty will provide other Green Bay Police Officers with guidelines for their behavior, and make certain all officers know the limits of acceptable behavior and consequences for violations of policy, law and the Constitution. Finally, the penalty will demonstrate to the community that the Green Bay Police Department closely monitors officers' behavior, and can be trusted to hold our officers to the highest standards of conduct and integrity.

### ADMINISTRATIVE INSIGHT: POLICE OFFICER KEVIN BAHL

# Training Issues.

Officer Kevin Bahl, along with all sworn staff of the Green Bay Police Department were issued policies 314, 320, and 1027 during Winter In-service 2017. A review of each policy was completed with all sworn staff during the Winter In-service training sessions. Officer Bahl along with all sworn staff will receive additional harassment training from CVMIC during the 2017 Fall inservice along with training in Civil Rights violations from the US Attorneys Office.

# Workplace Issues.

This investigation revealed a lack of self-responsibility when it comes to addressing issues with or about other employees. The standard has again been set that work place harassment is not acceptable and will not be tolerated in the future.

# Work/Compliant History Analysis.

Officer Kevin Bahl has no other sustained complaints in his GBPD work history.

### Demotion/Downgrade Considerations.

None.

# Relief from Duty Considerations.

None.

#### Actions Taken.

Officer Kevin Bahl received a review of policies related to harassment during Winter In-service 2017 and will receive additional training on harassment for Fall In-service 2017.

Recommendations.

None.

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Department of Police

Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

DT: 07/06/2017

To: Officer Tim Eickholt

RE: Loudermill Hearing

Officer Eickholt,

Your Loudermill Hearing will be held on July 12<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30am in the conference room on the second floor of the police department. You may bring an Association representative or your choice, but you will need to make arraignments for that. This is your opportunity to provide any additional information you may wish to add as it relates to the harassment investigation on night shift. Based on the information that you provided during your internal investigation interviews with the Professional Standards Division, the interviews with other involved officers, the supporting documentation and evidence, I will determine the disposition of the investigation and any discipline as a result of your actions.

The policies that are suspected to have been violated are the following:

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Sincerely,

Chief Andrew Smith



Department of Police

Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

August 21, 2017

Officer Timothy Eickholt 307 South Adams Street Green Bay, WI. 54301

RE: Discipline letter

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• You will serve 7 days of an unpaid suspension. These 7 days will be served consecutively and will be served starting (TBD). You will also be placed on the FTO inactive list for a period of one year.

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Respectfully,

ANDREW J. SMITH Chief of Police

Green Bay Police Department

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Received.

Date: 8-21-17

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# COMPLAINT ADJUDICATION

Complaint by:

Green Bay Police Department

The Internal Complaint Investigation, No. 16-542I, resulted in allegations of misconduct against 11 Department Employees. The investigation resulted in one Allegation of misconduct, with 14 counts, against:

Police Officer Timothy Eickholt

**Green Bay Police Department -Patrol** 

## SUMMARY AND BASIS OF COMPLAINT

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Based on the interview with Officer Timothy Eickholt where he admitted to making inappropriate statements and using inappropriate language about other officers. A review of Officer Timothy Eickholt's MDT messages revealed that he was involved in harassment or bullying of certain officers. Several inappropriate messages were located that were in violation of policy.

ALLEGATION 1. Officer Timothy Eickholt, while on duty, was involved with thirteen (13) inappropriate MDT messages and making other inappropriate comments to other officers. Officer Eickholt's messages and inappropriate comments contained words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with Department policy. The creation and transmission of those inappropriate messages contributed to an inappropriate workplace environment that was hostile to some Department employees. This is contrary to GBPD

Policies 314.3 – Discrimination & 320.4 – General Standards & 320.5.9(n) - Conduct & 1027.4 (a) – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct.

#### CLASSIFICATION

Allegation 1 is classified as SUSTAINED.

#### RATIONALE

The investigation determined that at least thirteen of Officer Eickholt's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Eickholt admitted that the thirteen messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch. Officer Eickholt also admitted to making comments that were inappropriate, sexual in nature, offensive and unprofessional.

Examples of the inappropriate messages that the investigation determined to be sent included:

- "Shocker has the most available minutes!" "IDK whats more shocking that she has the most available minutes or that she took a call at the PD!" (Reference
- "she can see the calls drop...knows they are in her sector", "hah maybe if has worked a full week she would be better LOL!", "and didn't take so many person breaks", "haha I wish I could take 'personal breaks' ". (Reference
- "or she saw her numbers from last year", "maybe both", "haha" (reference

Officer Eickholt admitted that his actions are considered harassment, bullying, and intimidation, directly toward other officers and in some cases, indirectly by talking negatively about them behind their back. Officer Eickholt also you admitted to making sexually explicit statements in the shift commanders office in the presence of a police supervisor and a female co-worker. He also said that he made a sexually natured comment about Officer Eickholt also disclosed that he may or may not have done the "Walk" and said "I'm sure I've done it". The internal investigation has also revealed that other officers have confirmed that he has used the "N" word and the phrase "JNBN".

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The investigation proved and Officer Eickholt admitted did not conduct himself in accordance with policy based on the MDT messages that he sent out and comments made and actions he took. Officer Eickholt should have known that the MDT messages, comments and his actions do not reflect the conduct of what a Green Bay Police Officer should be displaying.

His on duty conduct related to the MDT messages, comments, and actions are considered to be unbecoming for a Police Officer of the Green Bay Police Department. His behaviors are contrary to the good order, efficiency and morale and will, and reflect unfavorably upon this Department and its members. The actions of Officer Eickholt have the probability of damaging the mission, reputation and professionalism of the Green Bay Police Department and its members in the eyes of the department and the public.

# **PENALTY**

Officer Eickholt will receive a personnel file letter and a seven day unpaid suspension. Officer Eickholt will also be removed from active status in the Field Training Officer (FTO) program for one year.

### **PENALTY RATIONALE**

I believe the penalty assessed will accomplish the three goals of internal discipline. Primarily it will serve as a reminder to Officer Eickholt and will ensure that incidents of this nature involving Officer Eickholt will not recur. Second, the penalty will provide other Green Bay Police Officers with guidelines for their behavior, and make certain all officers know the limits of acceptable behavior and consequences for violations of policy, law and the Constitution. Finally, the penalty will demonstrate to the community that the Green Bay Police Department closely monitors officers' behavior, and can be trusted to hold our officers to the highest standards of conduct and integrity.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE INSIGHT: POLICE OFFICER TIMOTHY EICKHOLT

# Training Issues.

Officer Eickholt, along with all sworn staff of the Green Bay Police Department were issued policies 314, 320, and 1027 during Winter In-service 2017. A review of each policy was completed with all sworn staff during the Winter In-service training sessions. Officer Eickholt

along with all sworn staff will receive additional harassment training from CVMIC during the 2017 Fall in-service along with training in Civil Rights violations from the US Attorney's Office.

# Workplace Issues.

This investigation revealed a lack of self-responsibility when it comes to addressing issues with or about other employees. The standard has again been set that work place harassment is not acceptable and will not be tolerated in the future.

# Work/Compliant History Analysis.

Officer Eickholt has no other sustained complaints in his GBPD work history.

# **Demotion/Downgrade Considerations.**

None.

# Relief from Duty Considerations.

None.

## Actions Taken.

Officer Eickholt received a review of policies related to harassment during Winter In-service 2017 and will receive additional training on harassment for Fall In-service 2017.

#### Recommendations.

None.

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Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

DT: 07/12/2017

To: Officer Kurt Brester

RE: Loudermill Hearing

Officer Kurt Brester,

Based on the information that you provided during your internal investigation interviews with the Professional Standards Division, the interviews with other involved officers, the supporting documentation and evidence, I will determine the disposition of the investigation and any discipline as a result of your actions.

The policies that are suspected to have been violated are the following:

314.3.1 - Discrimination

320.4 – General Standards

320.5.3 – Discrimination, Oppression or Favoritism

320.5.9 - Conduct

1027.4 – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct

The supporting evidence that you may have violated policy related to the above policies comes from statements that you made during your internal affairs interview and information that was cohobated from other interviews and MDT messages.

You were interviewed on three occasion as it relates to this internal investigation. During both interviews you were evasive in your answers and relied heavily on statements similar to "not that I can recall", "I don't remember", and "that's possible but I can't say for sure". It is understood that a police officer is required to be able to recall events and facts in order to write a report or testify in court. It appears that your statements similar to "not that I can recall", along with the other similar generalized statements were self-serving and made in an attempt to not fully answer the questions from Internal Affairs investigators.

During your internal affairs interview, you said that you have said things to others that could be harassing towards You also said you have sent MDT messages that could be construed as harassing about

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Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

In your second interview, you were asked if he had ever heard, seen or done the "Walk". You said outside of work that you has done it once or twice. During your first internal affairs interview you told investigators that you had only heard about the walk and in the second interview, you said that you had observed Lt. Korth do it 5-10 times.

During interviews of others involved in this investigations, investigators were told by multiple officers that that you have used the "N" word in the past. You denied this and said that you were very surprised that anyone would say that you used the "N" word. You were asked if you had ever used the phrase, "He talks like a drunk Mexican", and said that you could not remember a specific time but "I more than likely said it".

The internal investigation is nearly complete, however, you are not to discuss the investigation with anyone involved in the investigation. You may discuss the investigation with those that are considered covered by the privilege exception. I am considering a serious level of discipline. Prior to me making a decision, is there any additional information you would like to share?

Sincerely,

Chief Andrew Smith

I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.

Received:	Date:

### **COMPLAINT ADJUDICATION**

Complaint by:

**Green Bay Police Department** 

The Internal Complaint Investigation, No. 16-542i, resulted in allegations of misconduct against 11 Department Employees:

Police Officer Kurt Brester

# **SUMMARY AND BASIS OF COMPLAINT**

On December 12th, 2016 at approximately 0600 hours, Professional Standards Division (PSD) investigators were made aware of allegations that a patrol officer was possibly abusing sick time. During the initial stages of that investigation, a Department supervisor said that and asked when the supervisors where going to do something with all of the harassment against a particular officer assigned to night watch.

Based on the information provided to PSD investigators and an initial investigation into the matter, it became apparent that a pattern of harassment of certain officers on the night shift by fellow officers and a supervisor was occurring. That harassment toward a small group of people and was in violation of several policies of the Green Bay Police Department. The investigation determined that a substantial amount of this harassment was being done over the Mobile Data Terminals (MDT) in the squad cars. This prompted a review of 18 months of MDT messages of each of the night shift officers. This also prompted interviews with 29 members of the Green Bay Police Department, and is some cases, multiple interviews with the same officers.

The supporting evidence that Officer Kurt Brester violated policy related to Conduct, Standards, Prohibited Speech, comes from statements that Officer Kurt Brester made during his internal affairs interview and information that was cohobated from other interviews and MDT messages.

ALLEGATION 1. You were interviewed on three occasion as it relates to this internal investigation. During these interviews you were evasive in your answers and relied heavily on statements similar to "not that I can recall", "I don't remember", and "that's possible but I can't say for sure". It is understood that a police officer is required to be able to recall events and facts in order to write a report or testify in court. It appears that your statements similar to "not that I can recall", along with the other similar generalized statements were self-serving and made in an attempt to not fully answer the questions from Internal Affairs investigators.

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During interviews of others involved in this investigations, investigators were told by multiple officers that that you have used the "N" word in the past. You denied this and said that you were very surprised that anyone would say that you used the "N" word. You were asked if you had ever used the phrase, "He talks like a drunk Mexican", and said that you could not remember a specific time but "I more than likely said it".

ALLEGATION 1. Officer Kurt Brester, while on duty, sent fourteen (17) inappropriate MDT messages to other officers. Those messages contained words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with Department policy. The creation and transmission of those inappropriate messages contributed to an inappropriate workplace environment that was hostile to some Department employees. This is contrary to GBPD Policy 314.3.1 – Discrimination & Policy 320.4 – General Standards & 320.5.9(n) - Conduct & 1027.4 (a) – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct.

## CLASSIFICATION

Allegation 1 is classified as SUSTAINED.

#### RATIONALE

The investigation determined that at least seventeen of Officer Kurt Brester's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Brester admitted that the seventeen messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch.

Examples of the inappropriate messages that the investigation determined to be sent included:

- "he's dumb lol"..... (referring to
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- "so you're saying I have to work the game and then the road? But when will I see my family?" (referring to
- "pretty cool that " just stays on training screen while we have Adam helping us lol" (referring to
- "I don't think thickes pulling her weight" (referring to
- "she asked if you wold and I told her that she'd have to ask you lol" (referring to

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The investigation proved and Officer Kurt Brester admitted he did not conduct himself in accordance with policy based on the MDT messages that he sent out. Officer Brester should have known that the MDT messages that he sent do not reflect the conduct of what a Green Bay Police Officer should be displaying.

His on duty conduct related to the MDT messages that he sent are considered to be unbecoming for a Police Officer of the Green Bay Police Department. His messages are contrary to the good order, efficiency and morale and will, and reflect unfavorably upon this Department and its members. The messages that Officer Kurt Brester sent have the probability of damaging the mission, reputation and professionalism of the Green Bay Police Department and its members in the eyes of the department and the public.

# **PENALTY**

Officer Brester will receive 15 day unpaid suspension. Officer Kurt Brester will also be removed from active status in the Field Training Officer (FTO) program for two years.

### PENALTY RATIONALE

I believe the penalty assessed will accomplish the three goals of internal discipline. Primarily it will serve as a reminder to Officer Kurt Brester and will ensure that incidents of this nature involving Officer Kurt Brester will not recur. Second, the penalty will provide other Green Bay Police Officers with guidelines for their behavior, and make certain all officers know the limits of acceptable behavior and consequences for violations of policy, law and the Constitution. Finally, the penalty will demonstrate to the community that the Green Bay Police Department

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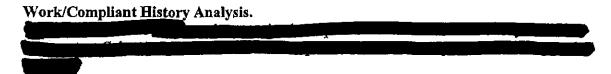
### ADMINISTRATIVE INSIGHT: POLICE OFFICER KURT BRESTER

## Training Issues.

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# Workplace Issues.

This investigation revealed a lack of self-responsibility when it comes to addressing issues with or about other employees. The standard has again been set that work place harassment is not acceptable and will not be tolerated in the future.



Demotion/Downgrade Considerations.

None.

Relief from Duty Considerations.

None.

### Actions Taken.

Officer Kurt Brester received a review of policies related to harassment during Winter In-service 2017 and will receive additional training on harassment for Fall In-service 2017.

#### Recommendations.

None.



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Department of Police

Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

August 11, 2017

Officer Kurt Brester 307 South Adams Street Green Bay, WI. 54301

RE: Discipline letter

Dear Officer Kurt Brester,

The Department has completed its investigation into Internal Affairs complaint 16-542I, which is a complaint in reference to the night shift harassment investigation. You have been alleged to have violated GBPD Policy314.3.1 -Discrimination & Policy 320.4 - General Standards & 320.5.9(n) - Conduct & 1027.4 (a) - Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct. I have concluded that you did violate these policies and have sustained the allegations related to this investigation.

I appreciated the fact that you understand the gravity of this investigations and have taken responsibility for your actions that you took. I hope and believe that you have learned a valuable lesson from this incident and I appreciate your cooperation in this matter. After a review of all of the information, I have decided to issue the following discipline:

You will serve 15 days of an unpaid suspension. These 15 days will be served consecutively (three, fiveday work cycle) and will be served starting (TBD). You will also be placed on the FTO inactive list for a period of two years.

You have already received re-training in the policies related to Harassment, Discrimination, Prohibited Speech, General Standards and Conduct at In-service. You will also receive additional training related to Harassment and Civil Rights violations at the 2017 Fall In-service.

This letter is also a notice that any future misconduct, of any nature, may result in discipline up to and including termination. Retaliation against anyone involved in this issue will not be tolerated and will be separate grounds for serious discipline up to and including discharge. As a represented employee, you have the right to grieve this disciplinary action under the Green Bay Professional Police Association collective bargaining agreement.

Respectfully,

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Chief of Police

Green Bay Police Department

I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.

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Employee Representative: Officer Nate Allen	Internal Affairs Case Number: 16-542i			
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Nothing you say nor the fruits thereof may be used against you in later criminal proceedings, but may used in later disciplinary proceedings.				
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My signature indicates neither admission nor denial of guilt, but simply represents that I acknowledge being given the above order.				
Employee Signature:	Date:	Time:		

# Statement of the Rights of an Employee Under Investigation

- ◆ Prior to any questioning the employee will be informed of the nature of investigation. ss 164.02(1)(a), Wisconsin Statutes.
- ♦ Any verbal or written statements provided by the employee in this investigation cannot be used against the employee any criminal proceeding. *Garrity v. New Jersey*, 385 U.S. 493 (1967)
- ◆The employee under investigation cannot be compelled to waive immunity from criminal prosecution as a condition of continued employment. Gardner v. Broderick, 392 U.S. 273 (1968)
- ♦ The employee is only required to answer questions that are specifically, narrowly, and directly related to their duty or fitness for duty. *Gardner v. Broderick, 392 U.S. 273 (1968)*
- ♦ The employee has the right to represented by any person of their choosing during any questioning. ss 164.02(1)(b), Wisconsin Statutes

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Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

DT: 07/14/2017

To: Officer Matt Knutson

RE: Loudermill Hearing

Officer Matt Knutson,

Based on the information that you provided during your internal investigation interviews with the Professional Standards Division, the interviews with other involved officers, the supporting documentation and evidence, I will determine the disposition of the investigation and any discipline as a result of your actions.

The policies that are suspected to have been violated are the following:

314.3.1 - Discrimination

320.4 - General Standards

320.5.3 – Discrimination, Oppression or Favoritism

320.5.9 - Conduct

1027.4 - Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct

You became the center of this internal ir	nvestigation, when it was discovered that you had printed the
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Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

you said it was a violation. This is the information that you provided to investigators during the first of four interviews with you in regards to this investigation.

While proceeding with this investigation and reviewing the first interview with you, it was found that there were some inconsistencies and possible omissions with your responses to the questions. You were ordered to meet with investigators again on December 14, 2016. You were told that internal affairs was looking to clarify some of the issue that were discussed at your initial interview.

You were asked if you remembered where that rumor came from You said that
You were asked if it came from night shift officers  After a long conversation about who had told you the rumor and so you could not specifically remember, you said, the information came from You went on to say
You said you could guess that the other person's voice and were both interviewed and said that they never had a conversation about and did not remember having a conversation in the locker room when you were around.
Based on interviews with Officers and Supervisors that you named in your second interview, it was clear that you were omitting information and were answering questions with self-servicing responses in an attempt to limit your responsibility for your actions. On January 19th, 2017, you were interviewed for a third time.
Your MDT messages were reviewed and your focus in many of the inappropriate MDT messages were clearly about to the consistent of the clearly about to the consistent of the consistent of the consistent work he was doing. You also focused on the consistent of the consistent were disparaging toward to them as "goof troopers". You also sent messages about the consistent with the way an officer of the Green Bay Police Department should act and are in violation of policy.
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during the third interview when in your first interview you could not recall and your second interview, you named and as having talked about his rumor. Your inability or unwillingness to provide accurate and truthful statements during your first or second interview resulted in investigators needing to interview you multiple times when they could have been working on other duties and responsibilities. It is also concerning that it took four interviews in order for you to provide complete information related to questions that were asked of you during your first two interviews.

The internal investigation is nearly complete, however, you are not to discuss the investigation with anyone involved in the investigation. You may discuss the investigation with those that are considered covered by the privilege exception. I am considering a serious level of discipline. Prior to me making a decision, is there any additional information you would like to share?

Sincerely,

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I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.

Deceived:

Date:

# **COMPLAINT ADJUDICATION**

Complaint by:

Green Bay Police Department

The Internal Complaint Investigation, No. 16-542I, resulted in allegations of misconduct against 11 Department Employees. The investigation resulted in one Allegation of misconduct, with 14 counts, against:

Police Officer Matthew Knutson Green

Green Bay Police Department -Patrol

# SUMMARY AND BASIS OF COMPLAINT

On December 12th, 2016 at approximately 0600 hours, Professional Standards Division (PSD) investigators were made aware of allegations that a patrol officer was possibly abusing sick time. During the initial stages of that investigation, a Department supervisor said asked when the supervisors where going to do something with all of the harassment against a particular officer assigned to night watch.

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Based on the four interviews with Officer Matthew Knutson, he admitted to printing and posting a picture of making inappropriate statements and using inappropriate language about other officers. A review of Officer Matthew Knutson's MDT messages revealed that he was involved in harassment or bullying of certain officers. Several inappropriate messages were located that were in violation of policy.

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#### CLASSIFICATION

Allegation 1 is classified as SUSTAINED.

#### RATIONALE

The investigation determined that at least twenty-five of Officer Knutson's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Knutson admitted that the twenty-five messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch. Officer Knutson also admitted to printing and posting a picture of another officer in a manner that was harassing in nature. Officer Knutson also sent disparaging messages about an officer's

Examples of the inappropriate messages that the investigation determined to be sent included:

- "SOMEBODY CHECK ON It think Crisis might've abducted her."
- "How did I get stuck at KT? WTF?"
- "I don't want to, I don't like you. Why doesn't he ( drive the kid"
- "Oh, "left.....weird"
- "Disregard all his messages he had too much Kool-aid today"
- "Trivia question. How many Goof Troop squads still in the lot?"
- "The an over my duty bag tonight. Yes, completely over the top. Think there's some truth to that driving thing"

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# **PENALTY**

Officer Knutson will receive a personnel file letter and a 30 day unpaid suspension. Officer Knutson will also be removed from active status in the Field Training Officer (FTO) program for two years.

# PENALTY RATIONALE

I believe the penalty assessed will accomplish the three goals of internal discipline. Primarily it will serve as a reminder to Officer Knutson and will ensure that incidents of this nature involving Officer Knutson will not recur. Second, the penalty will provide other Green Bay Police Officers with guidelines for their behavior, and make certain all officers know the limits of acceptable behavior and consequences for violations of policy, law and the Constitution. Finally, the penalty will demonstrate to the community that the Green Bay Police Department closely monitors officers' behavior, and can be trusted to hold our officers to the highest standards of conduct and integrity.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE INSIGHT: POLICE OFFICER SCOTT SALZMANN

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# Work/Compliant History Analysis.

# Demotion/Downgrade Considerations.

None.

# Relief from Duty Considerations.

None.

#### Actions Taken.

Officer Knutson received a review of policies related to harassment during Winter In-service 2017 and will receive additional training on harassment for Fall In-service 2017.

# Recommendations.

None.



Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

August 31, 2017

Officer Matt Knutson 307 South Adams Street Green Bay, WI. 54301

RE: Discipline letter

Dear Officer Matt Knutson,

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I appreciated the fact that you understand the gravity of this investigations and have taken responsibility for your actions that you took. I hope and believe that you have learned a valuable lesson from this incident and I appreciate your cooperation in this matter. After a review of all of the information, I have decided to issue the following discipline:

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This letter is also a notice that any future misconduct, of any nature, may result in discipline up to and including termination. Retaliation against anyone involved in this issue will not be tolerated and will be separate grounds for serious discipline up to and including discharge. As a represented employee, you have the right to grieve this disciplinary action under the Green Bay Professional Police Association collective bargaining agreement.

Respectfully,

ANDRÆW J. SMITH

Chief of Police

Green Bay Police Department

I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.

Received Att Att

Date: 8:31-2017

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Green Bay Police Department Administrative Warning and Statement of Employee Rights					
Employee Name Officer Paul Spoerl	Investigating Supervisor Lt. Dave Wesely & Lt. Keith Gering				
Employee Representative: Officer Mike Knetzger	Internal Affairs Case Number: 16-542I				
Order Compelling	Employee to Answer Questions				
I wish to advise you that you are being questioned as part of an official internal investigation of the police department.					
You will be asked questions specifically directed and narrowly related to the performance of your official duties or fitness for duty.					
You are under a direct order to answer these questions.					
Failure or refusal to answer these questions	completely and truthfully shall be considered grounds				

for serious discipline, up to and including termination.

Nothing you say nor the fruits thereof may be used against you in later criminal proceedings, but may used in later disciplinary proceedings.

Supervisor Signature:	Date: 01/29/17	Time:
Lt. Dave Wesely		<u>'</u>
My signature indicates neither admission nor denial or above order.	of guilt, but simply repres	ents that I acknowledge being given the
Employee Signature:	Date:	Time:

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Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

September 19, 2017

Officer Paul Spoerl 307 South Adams Street Green Bay, WI. 54301

RE: Discipline letter

Dear Officer Paul Spoerl.

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Chief of Police

Green Bay Police Department

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Date: 19 Sep 2017

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# OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY BROWN COUNTY

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July 26, 2017

Chief Andrew Smith Green Bay Police Department 307 S. Adams Street Green Bay, WI 54301

RE: Officer Paul Spoerl

## Dear Chief Smith:

I have had the opportunity to review the materials provided by Lieutenant Wesely relative to an investigation into Officer Paul Spoerl and specifically, information he provided during an interview with Lieutenants Wesely and Gehring regarding the conduct of the night shift officers and potential harassment that had been occurring on that shift. Based on my review of a draft investigative report prepared by Lieutenant Wesely and my review of the video recorded interview, it is clear to me that Officer Spoerl provided false information to the investigating officers on multiple occasions, in an apparent attempt to protect his co-workers and supervisor on the night shift.

As you are aware, the District Attorney's Office is required to disclose any known instances of untruthfulness by any witnesses that the State intends to call at trial, including prior instances of untruthfulness of law enforcement officers. I have discussed this matter with the Deputy District Attorneys in my office, as well as the Attorney General's Office, and we uniformly believe that Officer Spoerl's conduct, as outlined above, constitutes an instance of prior untruthfulness that would require disclosure to defense counsel.

Considering the effect that this information will have on Officer Spoen's credibility, this incident significantly limits his usefulness as a witness in criminal cases. If he does continue to work as a law enforcement officer, I anticipate that there would be circumstances in which our office would not use him as a witness, and in some instances, I could envision that our office would choose not to file criminal charges where Officer Spoen's testimony would be an essential part of the prosecution.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

David L. Lasee

**Brown County District Attorney** 



Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

DT: 07/31/2017

To: Officer Paul Spoerl

RE: Administrative Leave

Officer Paul Spoerl,

The internal investigation regarding your conduct and performance as a Green Bay Police Officer is ongoing. Thus far, the investigation has revealed behavior that constitutes a serious breach of policy and disregard for the rules and regulations of the police department.

You are hereby notified that, you are being relieved from your official law enforcement duty assignment, with pay, and will continue on administrative leave. While on administrative leave, you are not allowed to act in any official capacity as a Green Bay Police Officer. You are directed to surrender your duty weapon, badge, identification card, radio and department issued keys. Your ability to carry a firearm while being relieved from your official law enforcement duty assignment will fall under Wisconsin State Law of concealed carry or open carry. The expectation of you while on paid Administrative Leave will be, that you will make yourself available to the Chief of Police, The Professional Standards Division, or any member of the Green Bay Police Department Command Staff anytime between the hours of 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., Monday - Friday. You will not need to be available on every other Friday, starting with Friday, December 23, 2016 as a normal off day. If you will not be available during these times or days, you must notify Capt. John Balza immediately of the day(s) and time(s) that you will not be available. You are not to be at the Green Bay Police Department at any time other than when ordered to be at the Green Bay Police Department to answer to the internal investigation or when ordered to report to the Green Bay Police Department for other reasons identified by the Chief or his designee. Your availability will be required and expected in order for you to be considered on paid Administrative Leave or you may be subject to suspension without pay.

You are directed to not discuss any of the contents of the City's investigation with any persons other than your Union representative, personal attorney, your spouse, Chief Smith or his designee. If you have any questions about the scope of permissible disclosures, then you are to contact Chief Smith or his designee. You are also directed to not engage in any retaliatory or intimidating conduct against any person who participates in the investigation.

Any actions by you in violation of the directives issued to you will be considered as insubordination in addition to other rule violations warranting serious discipline up to and including likely discharge. Further, any action by you designed to compromise or that may compromise this internal investigation will subject you to disciplinary action up to and including discharge.

Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

If you have any questions related to this information or if any questions come up during your Administrative Leave, please contact me or Capt. Balza.

Sincerely,

307 South Adams Street \* Green Bay, WI. 54301-4582 \* 920.448.3200 \* Fax 920.448.3248 \* Emergency 9-1-1



Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

DT: 08/07/2017

To: Officer Paul Spoerl

RE: Loudermill Hearing

Officer Spoerl

Based on the information that you provided during your internal investigation interviews with the Professional Standards Division, the interviews with other involved officers, the supporting documentation and evidence, I will determine the disposition of the investigation and any discipline as a result of your actions.

The policies that are suspected to have been violated are the following:

314.3.1 - Discrimination

320.4 - General Standards

320.5.3 – Discrimination, Oppression or Favoritism

320.5.9 - Conduct

1027.4 - Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct

You met with Internal Affairs Investigators on the first occasion on December 28, 2016 as a witness officer to the night shift internal affairs complaint. During that interview, investigators advised you to be truthful with your answers. Investigators asked you specific questions pertaining to the investigation and on numerous occasions, you initially responded by denying knowing any information, only to later reveal specific information, after further questioning. When asked during the interview why you would not have just been up front with your answers, you replied, You then said you were "super nervous" and said, "I agree that some of it came out slow and you had to pry for some of it." You then apologized to investigators and said, "It's difficult to get some of that stuff out." You then said you did not mean to mislead the investigation. You further said that you should have said something about the "mocking" and harassment that was going on with the nightshift and by not doing so, you were wrong.

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A second interview was conducted on January 29, 2017. Prior to the interview you were provided with a Formal Complaint Against Personnel and copies of the alleged policy violation. You acknowledged you reviewed those policies and understood them. Investigators then reviewed several MDT messages that you had sent. One of the messages that was sent on July 4, 2016 read, "Good news, I have car tonight, so I probably have her three guns tonight." Another example was a message sent on June 7, 2016, which read, "WTF is this call. After review of the MDT messages, you admitted to investigators of violating policy by sending 15 inappropriate messages that were reviewed with you.	ns. ine
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Chief Andrew Smith	

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Date:

Received:

#### **COMPLAINT ADJUDICATION**

Complaint by:

**Green Bay Police Department** 

The Internal Complaint Investigation, No. 16-542I, resulted in allegations of misconduct against 11 Department Employees. The investigation resulted in one Allegation of misconduct, with 14 counts, against:

Police Officer Paul Spoerl

**Green Bay Police Department -Patrol** 

#### SUMMARY AND BASIS OF COMPLAINT

On December 12th, 2016 at approximately 0600 hours, Professional Standards Division (PSD) investigators were made aware of allegations that a night shift patrol officer was possibly being harassed. During the initial stages of that investigation, a Department supervisor said that , and asked when the supervisors where going to do semething with all of the harassment against a

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#### **RATIONALE**

The investigation determined that at least fifteen of Officer Spoerl's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Spoerl admitted that the fifteen messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system and that he violated policy. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch.

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- "WTF is this call..." (Reference profanity)
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#### ADMINISTRATIVE INSIGHT: POLICE OFFICER PAUL SPOERL

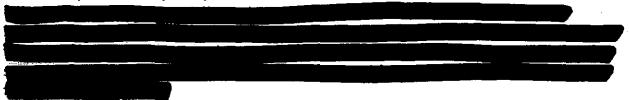
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Demotion/Downgrade Considerations.

None.

**Relief from Duty Considerations.** 

None.

# Actions Taken.

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Recommendations.

None.

GREEN BAY POLICE DEPARTMENT Formal Complaint Against Personnel						
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Supervisor or Employee Filing Complaint  I understand that this report may be subject to release under provisions of Wisconsin's Open Records Law ss 19.31 and further acknowledge that making a false complaint regarding the conduct of a law enforcement officer is punishable by a Class A Forfeiture pursuant to ss 946.66(2) of Wisconsin Statutes.						
Signature				Print Name and Title		Date
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- ♦ Any verbal or written statements provided by the employee in this investigation cannot be used against the employee any criminal proceeding. *Garrity v. New Jersey*, 385 U.S. 493 (1967)
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- ◆ The employee is only required to answer questions that are specifically, narrowly, and directly related to their duty or fitness for duty. *Gardner v. Broderick, 392 U.S. 273 (1968)*
- ◆ The employee has the right to represented by any person of their choosing during any questioning. ss 164.02(1)(b), Wisconsin Statutes



Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

DT: 07/13/2017

To: Officer Scott Salzmann

RE: Loudermill Hearing

Officer Salzmann,

Based on the information that you provided during your internal investigation interviews with the Professional Standards Division, the interviews with other involved officers, the supporting documentation and evidence, I will determine the disposition of the investigation and any discipline as a result of your actions.

The policies that are suspected to have been violated are the following:

314.3.1 - Discrimination

320.4 - General Standards

320.5.3 – Discrimination, Oppression or Favoritism

320.5.9 - Conduct

1027.4 - Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct

During your internal affairs investigation interview, you said	
The idea that a new offi	cer it not
considered part of the team is of concern and goes against what this agency	/ is about.

A review of your MDT messages showed that you were not particularly involved in harassment or bullying of certain officers. However, several inappropriate messages were located that were in violation of policy. You were using words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with policy. Messages that were reviewed with you involve inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. One of the messages that you sent was related to and stated ".....i still want to knock his teeth in sometimes". This type of message is obviously concerning and should not have been sent and in violation of policy.

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You were asked about the "U lost bro" messages that you sent on a consistent basis. You said that it was a running joke between you and three other officers as it related to them driving through your District sector. You said
It appeared that there was not ill intent on your part, however these messages further the feelings that other officers expressed in their internal affairs interviews. These Officers said
It is concerning that
this mentality and your "U lost bro" messages have perpetuated the feeling that what you say is how things are going to be.
Your messages that include phrases of "I hate you", "people suck around this place", "asses would a been beat", "merry effing Christmas", and "piss poor job", are certainly not appropriate and not the image that Officers of the Green Bay Police Department should be portraying and are a violation of policy.
The internal investigation is nearly complete, however, you are not to discuss the investigation with anyone involved in the investigation. You may discuss the investigation with those that are considered covered by the privilege exception. I am considering a serious level of discipline. Prior to me making a decision, is there any additional information you would like to share?
Sincerely,
Chief Andrew Smith
I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.
Received: Date:

# **COMPLAINT ADJUDICATION**

Complaint by:

Green Bay Police Department

The Internal Complaint Investigation, No. 16-542I, resulted in allegations of misconduct against 11 Department Employees. The investigation resulted in one Allegation of misconduct, with 14 counts, against:

Police Officer Scott Salzmann

Green Bay Police Department -Patrol

# **SUMMARY AND BASIS OF COMPLAINT**

On December 12th, 2016 at approximately 0600 hours, Professional Standards Division (PSD) investigators were made aware of allegations that a patrol officer was possibly abusing sick time. During the initial stages of that investigation, a Department supervisor said that and asked when the supervisors where going to do something with all of the harassment against a particular officer assigned to night watch.

Based on the information provided to PSD investigators and an initial investigation into the matter, it became apparent that a pattern of harassment of certain officers on the night shift by fellow officers and a supervisor was occurring. That harassment toward a small group of people and was in violation of several policies of the Green Bay Police Department. The investigation determined that a substantial amount of this harassment was being done over the Mobile Data Terminals (MDT) in the squad cars. This prompted a review of 18 months of MDT messages of each of the night shift officers. This also prompted interviews with 29 members of the Green Bay Police Department, and is some cases, multiple interviews with the same officers.

A review of Officer Scott Salzmann's MDT messages revealed that he was not particularly involved in harassment or bullying of certain officers. However, several inappropriate messages were located that were in violation of policy.

ALLEGATION 1. Officer Scott Salzmann, while on duty, sent fourteen (14) inappropriate MDT messages to other officers. Those messages contained words, phrases or abbreviations that were not in accordance with Department policy. The creation and transmission of those inappropriate messages contributed to an inappropriate workplace environment that was hostile to some Department employees. This is contrary to GBPD Policy 320.4 – General Standards & 320.5.9(n) - Conduct & 1027.4 (a) – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct.

# **CLASSIFICATION**

# Allegation 1 is classified as SUSTAINED.

#### **RATIONALE**

The investigation determined that at least fourteen of Officer's MDT messages contained messages that involved inappropriate content that were in violation of policy or were in poor taste. During his interview with PSD, Officer Salzmann admitted that the fourteen messages were inappropriate and should not have been sent on the Department MDT system. The creation and dissemination of those messages was determined to have contributed to the inappropriate environment on night watch.

Examples of the inappropriate messages that the investigation determined to be sent included:

- One of the messages was related to and stated ".....i still want to knock his teeth in sometimes".
- Messages that include phrases of "I hate you", "people suck around this place", "asses would been beat", "merry effing Christmas", and "....piss poor job
- Messages stating "U lost bro" on multiple occasions.
- A message stating "This medical condition is getting old" directed towards

Members of the Green Bay Police Department shall conduct themselves, whether on or off duty, in accordance with the Policies and procedures of the Green Bay Police Department, the United States and Wisconsin Constitutions and all laws, ordinances and rules enacted or established pursuant to legal authority. It is important that each member of the Green Bay Police Department understand and are familiar with the policies and procedures of the Department and are responsible for complying with them.

The investigation proved and Officer Salzmann admitted did not conduct himself in accordance with policy based on the MDT messages that he sent out. Officer Salzmann should have known that the MDT messages that he sent do not reflect the conduct of what a Green Bay Police Officer should be displaying.

His on duty conduct related to the MDT messages that he sent are considered to be unbecoming for a Police Officer of the Green Bay Police Department. His messages are contrary to the good order, efficiency and morale and will, and reflect unfavorably upon this Department and its members. The messages that Officer Salzmann sent have the probability of damaging the mission, reputation and professionalism of the Green Bay Police Department and its members in the eyes of the department and the public.

## PENALTY

Officer Salzmann will receive a one day unpaid suspension. Officer Salzmann will also be removed from active status in the Field Training Officer (FTO) program for one year.

# PENALTY RATIONALE

I believe the penalty assessed will accomplish the three goals of internal discipline. Primarily it will serve as a reminder to Officer Salzmann and will ensure that incidents of this nature involving Officer Salzmann will not recur. Second, the penalty will provide other Green Bay Police Officers with guidelines for their behavior, and make certain all officers know the limits of acceptable behavior and consequences for violations of policy, law and the Constitution. Finally, the penalty will demonstrate to the community that the Green Bay Police Department closely monitors officers' behavior, and can be trusted to hold our officers to the highest standards of conduct and integrity.

# ADMINISTRATIVE INSIGHT: POLICE OFFICER SCOTT SALZMANN

## Training Issues.

Officer Scott Salzmann, along with all sworn staff of the Green Bay Police Department were issued policies 314, 320, and 1027 during Winter In-service 2017. A review of each policy was completed with all sworn staff during the Winter In-service training sessions. Officer Salzmann along with all sworn staff will receive additional harassment training from CVMIC during the 2017 Fall in-service along with training in Civil Rights violations from the US Attorney's Office.

# Workplace Issues.

This investigation revealed a lack of self-responsibility when it comes to addressing issues with or about other employees. The standard has again been set that work place harassment is not acceptable and will not be tolerated in the future.

## Work/Compliant History Analysis.

Officer Salzmann has no other sustained complaints in his GBPD work history.

#### Demotion/Downgrade Considerations.

None.

# Relief from Duty Considerations.

None.

#### Actions Taken.

Officer Salzmann received a review of policies related to harassment during Winter In-service 2017 and will receive additional training on harassment for Fall In-service 2017.

#### Recommendations.

None.



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Andrew J. Smith Chief of Police

August 23, 2017

Officer Scott Salzmann 307 South Adams Street Green Bay, WI. 54301

RE: Discipline letter

Dear Officer Scott Salzmann.

The Department has completed its investigation into Internal Affairs complaint 16-542I, which is a complaint in reference to the night shift harassment investigation. You have been alleged to have violated GBPD Policy314.3.1 – Discrimination & Policy 320.4 – General Standards & 320.5.9(n) - Conduct & 1027.4 (a) – Prohibited Speech, Expression and Conduct. I have concluded that you did violate these policies and have sustained the allegations related to this investigation.

I hope and believe that you have learned a valuable lesson from this incident and I appreciate your cooperation in this matter. After a review of all of the information, I have decided to issue the following discipline:

- You will serve I day of an unpaid suspension. The I day will be served on (TBD). You will also be placed on the FTO inactive list for a period of one year.
- You have already received re-training in the policies related to Harassment, Discrimination, Prohibited Speech, General Standards and Conduct at In-service. You will also receive additional training related to Harassment and Civil Rights violations at the 2017 Fall In-service.

This letter is also a notice that any future misconduct, of any nature, may result in discipline up to and including termination. Retaliation against anyone involved in this issue will not be tolerated and will be separate grounds for serious discipline up to and including discharge. As a represented employee, you have the right to grieve this disciplinary action under the Green Bay Professional Police Association collective bargaining agreement.

ANDREW J. SMITH Chief of Police Green Bay Police Department

Respectfully.

I have read and I understand the contents of this report. I may or may not necessarily agree with what is written. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy.

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