



MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP POLICE

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2015 Internal Affairs Summary

In 2015, Twelve (12) officer complaints were filed with the Office of Professional Standards of the Manchester Police Department. These complaints were lodged by either citizens, or members of the agency who identified behavior or actions which did not meet the agency's standards.

The nine (9) complaints reported by citizens were as follows:

- (3) Excessive Force;
- (1) Improper Search,
- (3) Demeanor,
- (2) Violation of Department Rules and Regulations.

The three (3) complaints internally generated were as follows:

- (2) Violation of Department Rules and Regulations;
- (1) Improper Arrest.

In each case, the Office of Professional Standards conducted internal investigations to determine whether the complaint was valid. The outcome of each investigation was documented as follows: the three (3) citizen complaints involving excessive force were closed with dispositions of exonerated, meaning that the alleged incidents did occur, but the actions of the officers were justified, legal and proper, the one (1) citizen complaint involving an improper search was closed with a disposition of exonerated, the three (3) citizen complaints involving demeanor were closed with dispositions of exonerated for two (2) of the complaints and one (1) was closed with a disposition of unfounded, meaning that the alleged incident was investigated and did not occur, the two (2) citizen complaints involving violations of department rules and regulations were closed with dispositions of exonerated.

With regard to the internally generated complaints the outcome of each investigation was documented as follows: two (2) internally generated complaints involving violations of department rules and regulations were closed with one (1) disposition of sustained and one (1) with a disposition of not-sustained, meaning that the investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation, the one (1) internally generated complaint involving an improper arrest was closed with a disposition of sustained.

Officers of the Manchester Township Police Department received one hundred and thirty nine (139) compliments and notices of positive performance in 2015 from citizens and police supervisors. Every Manchester Township police officer is held to the highest levels of professionalism, performance and service and the positive feedback received from the public and our supervisors exemplifies these standards.

12 total Complaints: Sustained (2), Exonerated (8), Not-sustained (1), Unfounded (1)