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January 31, 2020

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President
State Senate
State Capitol, Room 409
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi:

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2. Mistreatment of Prisoners
3. Use of Drugs and Narcotics
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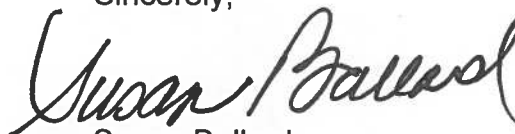
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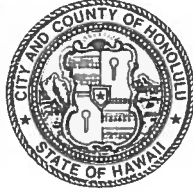
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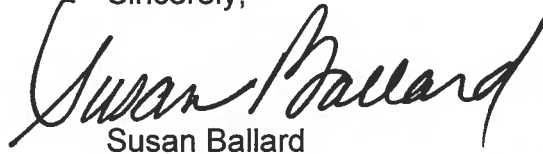
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Reference No.	Summary / Findings	PAT Notified	Disciplinary Action	Status	Ref. No. with Same Officer
16-006	Swore at the complainant and her passengers in an aggressive and condescending manner. Was unprofessional and overbearing. Ordered the complainant's passengers to exit the vehicle and walk home. Criminal Conduct Initiated: Harassment	Yes	*15 days	F	
16-026	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 20 days to 15 days. Sent the complainant an unwanted and harassing text message. Left a paper bag at the complainant's residence with a harassing message. Conducted personal business while on duty. Criminal Conduct Initiated: Harassment	*No	5 days	F	
16-036	*Unable to meet the burden of proof beyond a reasonable doubt. Failed to remain impartial when he contacted another officer and told him not to attend court so that an Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence of an Intoxicant case would be dismissed.	No	*5 days	F	
16-048	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 10 days to 5 days. Failed to immediately investigate a motor vehicle collision involving another officer. Failed to remain impartial when the officer had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath and displayed signs of impairment. Instructed another officer to transport the impaired officer home without approval from a supervisor.	No	*8 days	F	
17-002	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 10 days to 8 days. Posted an unprofessional and offensive caption on social media.	No	1 day	A	
17-005	As a supervisor, retaliated against a subordinate officer by speaking to the subordinate officer in an unprofessional manner.	No	*Written Reprimand	F	
17-006	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 1 day to a written reprimand. Tested positive during a mandatory drug urinalysis test.	No	Discharged	A	
17-027	Failed to notify dispatch or enter into his mobile data computer his attempt to conduct a traffic stop. Failed to initiate a Motor Vehicle Collision report or any other appropriate police report.	No	1 day	P	
17-032	Operated a subsidized vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant and got into a motor vehicle collision. Made untruthful statements to investigators at the scene of the motor vehicle collision and throughout the subsequent investigation. Criminal Conduct Initiated: Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence of an Intoxicant Inattention to Driving	Yes	Discharged	P	
17-033	As a supervisor, failed to lead and direct a thorough investigation at the scene of a motor vehicle collision involving an HPD officer. Failed to recognize the event as one that required supervisor presence and failed to immediately initiate the departmental notification procedure. *Pursuant to the grievance process, the arbitrator reduced the suspension from 10 days to 7 days.	No	*7 days	F	

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17-034	As a supervisor, failed to lead and direct a thorough investigation at the scene of a motor vehicle collision involving an HPD officer. Failed to remain impartial and did not conduct a thorough investigation. Failed to have evidence located, preserved, or recovered at the scene. Failed to provide the Traffic Division with accurate information about injuries to the officer involved in the motor vehicle collision at the scene. Failed to ensure that proper and thorough investigative reports were completed.	No	*5 days	F	
17-035	*Pursuant to the grievance process, the arbitrator reduced the suspension from 20 days to 5 days. Failed to remain impartial and did not conduct a thorough investigation of a motor vehicle collision involving an HPD officer. Provided contradictory statements and reports. Failed to have evidence located, preserved, or recovered at the scene. Failed to provide a supervisor with information about injuries to the officer involved in the motor vehicle collision at the scene.	No	*5 days	F	
17-036	*Pursuant to the grievance process, the arbitrator reduced the suspension from 10 days to 5 days. Failed to conduct a thorough investigation of a motor vehicle collision involving an HPD officer. Provided contradictory statements and reports. Failed to have evidence located, preserved, or recovered at the scene. Failed to provide a supervisor with information about injuries to the officer involved in the motor vehicle collision at the scene.	No	*Written Reprimand	F	
17-038	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 10 days to a written reprimand due to additional evidence that came to light which resulted in a reduction in severity of the disciplinary action. Provided police reports of active investigations to an attorney without authorization and in violation of departmental policy.	No	*3 days	F	
17-044	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 5 days to 3 days. Used profanity and unprofessional language when interacting with a supervisor. Made derogatory and unprofessional comments about several other supervisors. Called a suspect and made misleading statements about the Honolulu Police Department.	No	3 days	P	
17-045	Following a traffic incident, requested and obtained an address using resources available for law enforcement purposes and shared the address with unauthorized persons in violation of departmental policy. Intentionally damaged the property of another without permission. Failed to report a change of home address as required by policy.	No	5 days	F	
18-003	Failed to report a change of home address as required by policy.	Yes	10 days	P	
18-004	Criminal Conduct Initiated: Criminal Property Damage in the Third Degree Conducted personal business by engaging in sexual activity while on duty and under the color of police authority.	Yes	Discharged	A	
18-006	Criminal Conduct Initiated: Sexual Assault in the Second Degree Sexual Assault in the Fourth Degree Operated a subsidized vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant and rear-ended another vehicle. Criminal Conduct Initiated: Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence of an Intoxicant	Yes	Discharged	A	

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18-010	Acted in an unprofessional and discourteous manner during a traffic stop.	No	*Written Reprimand	F	
18-015	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 1 day to a written reprimand. Operated a personal vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant while off duty. Was involved in a motor vehicle collision and fled the scene of the collision.	Yes	*6-month suspension	F	
	Criminal Conduct Initiated: Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence of an Intoxicant				
18-017	*Pursuant to the grievance process, discharge reduced to 6-month suspension. While off duty, arrived at the scene of a traffic stop and drove the motorist away from scene prior to the motorist being arrested for Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence of an Intoxicant.	No	*3 days	F	
18-019	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 5 days to 3 days. Used unreasonable force while effecting an arrest.	Yes	*Written Reprimand	F	
	Criminal Conduct Initiated: Assault in the Second Degree				
18-021	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 1 day to a written reprimand. Information was provided that resulted in a reduction in severity of the disciplinary action. Conducted himself in an unprofessional manner during a transaction at a financial institution.	Yes	*3 days	F	
	Criminal Conduct Initiated: Harassment				
19-001	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 5 days to 3 days. Failed to immediately notify a supervisor of an on-duty injury and failed to submit proper documentation. Took leave without pay without making proper notifications.	No	1 day	F	
19-002	Made inappropriate comments of a sexual nature to a coworker.	No	1 day	P	
19-003	Reported sick for multiple scheduled work shifts to attend an off-island athletic event. Was initially uncooperative during the administrative investigation.	No	60 days	F	
19-004	Grabbed and pushed an individual against a door. Failed to provide badge number upon request. Failed to submit a report for the physical encounter with the individual.	Yes	1 day	F	
	Criminal Conduct Initiated: Assault in the Third Degree				
19-005	Failed to report and remain at work during scheduled shift. Participated in an athletic event during working hours.	No	3 days	F	
19-006	Displayed material of a sexual nature to subordinate officers.	No	3 days	F	
19-007	Failed to make proper notifications for not reporting to work on more than one occasion.	No	1 day	F	
19-008	Was involved in multiple at-fault motor vehicle collisions.	No	1 day	F	

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19-009	Restrained a disorderly family member who was attempting to leave a residence. Criminal Conduct Initiated: Abuse of Family or Household Members	Yes	1 day	A	
19-010	Fled the scene of a motor vehicle collision and failed to report the incident in a timely manner.	No	1 day	F	
19-011	Failed to properly submit evidence.	No	*3 days	F	
19-012	*Pursuant to the grievance process, suspension reduced from 5 days to 3 days. Staged the burglary of his residence and burnt his vehicle in an attempt to collect an insurance payment. Made a false police report and collected an insurance payment due to a fraudulent claim. Criminal Conduct Initiated: Insurance Fraud Theft False Reporting to Law-Enforcement Authorities	*No	Discharged	F	
19-013	*State Attorney General handled investigation Failed to take appropriate action and failed to report the incident when an individual was forced to lick a urinal. Criminal Conduct Initiated: Conspiracy Against Rights Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law *FBI took over investigation	*No	Discharged	F	

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0	0	Use of Drugs and Narcotics
0	0	Cowardice