

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE



Civilian Police Oversight Agency

Finding Letters of the CPOA

The CPOA Executive Director's findings in each case are listed below. The following notifications of the findings were provided to the citizen(s) during October 2025. If applicable, these findings will become part of the officer's file.

067-25

086-25

119-25

123-25

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171-25

PO Box 1293

Albuquerque

NM 87103

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CIVILIAN POLICE OVERSIGHT AGENCY

October 31, 2025

Via Email

Re: CPC # 067-25

COMPLAINT:

PO Box 1293

On 04/11/2025, M submitted a complaint online to the Civilian Police Oversight Agency (CPOA) regarding an incident that occurred on 04/09/2025 at 1845 hours.

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No part of the written complaint contained any allegation regarding capturing video on an OBRD. The investigation determined this would become part of this investigation.

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EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes

APD Report(s): Yes

CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: No

Witness(es) Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Police Service Aide O

Other Materials: Email Communications, Complainant Submitted Sharebase Evidence.

Date Investigation Completed:

FINDINGS

1. **Unfounded.** Investigation classification when the investigator(s) determines, by clear and convincing evidence, that alleged misconduct did not occur or did not involve the subject officer.

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Policies Reviewed: 2.8.5.A: Mandatory Recording

4. **Exonerated.** Investigation classification where the investigator(s) determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, that alleged conduct in the underlying complaint did occur but did not violate APD policies, procedures, or training.

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Additional Comments:

2.8.5.A: It was determined that PSA O did not record this contact with citizens with his OBRD. However, based on the evidence submitted by the complainant, Ms. M, the video she uploaded clearly showed that when they approached the police line, they never stopped. PSA O reported during his interview that the encounter was extremely brief, and Ms. M and Ms. C did not engage in a conversation with him. They simply said something to him about needing an escort as they walked by. Based on the evidence, it does not appear that this was a mandatory recording event because by the time PSA O looked up, the two individuals had already passed through the police line and were some distance away.

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Sincerely,
The Civilian Police Oversight Agency by

 10/30/2025

Diane McDermott
Executive Director
(505) 924-3770

cc: Albuquerque Police Department Chief of Police

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CIVILIAN POLICE OVERSIGHT AGENCY

October 31, 2025

Via Email

Re: CPC # 067-25

COMPLAINT:

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Ms. M reported that there was an active SWAT situation that was not near the entrance to her home. Ms. M reported that she and her wife were told by a female police officer that they would need an escort to go to their home. Ms. M reported that she spoke to the PSA, who waved his hand and said to go ahead, so she thought it was okay to proceed. When she looked back, there was no officer escorting them, and shortly thereafter, her wife was detained. Ms. M felt discriminated against as a Black LGBT couple because several White people had crossed the tape, but she and her wife did exactly as they were directed and there was no probable cause to arrest.

EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes

APD Report(s): Yes

CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: No

Witness(es) Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Officer J

Other Materials: Email Communications, Complainant Submitted Sharebase Evidence

Date Investigation Completed: July 16, 2025

FINDINGS

Policies Reviewed: 1.4.4.A.2.a; Race and Sexual Orientation, 2.71.4.A.1; Only make lawful arrests

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Additional Comments:

1.4.4.A.2.a: It was determined that Officer J did not discriminate against Ms. M or her wife C based on race or sexual orientation. There was no evidence submitted or reviewed that would suggest Officer J treated them any different than other citizens because of their sexual orientation or race.

2.71.4.A.1: It was determined that Officer J had probable cause to make an arrest of Ms. C and issue a criminal summons for Ms. M. They were instructed to wait for a police escort before entering the yellow-taped off crime scene. OBRD footage captured them being told at least three different times that an escort would be required to return to their apartment. An offer was made by police officers to escort them, but they chose to go to their apartment without a police escort. There was no evidence submitted or reviewed that would suggest they were waived through the police line. On the contrary, the video submitted by the complainant Ms. M showed that they did not stop at the police tape where a PSA was located on perimeter watch, and they just went under the tape without waiting for a police escort.

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CIVILIAN POLICE OVERSIGHT AGENCY

October 31, 2025

Via In-Person Pick-up

Re: CPC # 086-25

COMPLAINT:

PO Box 1293

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On 04/30/2025, R -D submitted a telephone complaint to the CPOA staff via VCI regarding an incident that occurred on 04/25/2025 at 1630 hours at the APD Northwest Substation. Ms. R -D reported that the officer was rude, intimidated her, and scared her 10 and 11-year-old granddaughters while she was at the station questioning a report from a separate incident.

EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes APD Report(s): N/A CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: Yes Witness(es) Interviewed: N/A

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Officer C-D

Other Materials: Email Communications

Date Investigation Completed: July 18, 2025

FINDINGS

Policies Reviewed: 1.1.5.A.1 (Conduct)

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Additional Comments:

1.1.5.A.1: It was determined that Officer C-D was professional and patient with Ms. R -D .a. He was not rude, did not raise his voice, did not yell, and did not slam his hand or anything else on a table or anything else. There was no indication that Officer C-D had scared, frightened, or intimidated Ms. R -D or the children. There was no indication or evidence that Officer C-D abused his authority.

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October 31, 2025

Via Email

Re: CPC # 119-25

COMPLAINT:

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On 06/17/2025, D submitted an online complaint to the CPOA regarding an incident that occurred on 05/08/2025. Ms. D reported that she and a friend were in a running vehicle, and she was asleep in the driver's seat with foil on the floor, but that they weren't committing a crime. The vehicle's doors were unlocked, and the officers opened the doors, scaring them and telling them to exit. The officers told her that the vehicle would be impounded so it could be searched because there was too much luggage. It was towed and was still being held pending the issuance of a search warrant. Ms. D felt like her 4th Amendment rights were violated because she wasn't bothering anyone or committing a new crime.

EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes

APD Report(s): Yes

CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: Yes

Witness(es) Interviewed: No

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Officer C-C

Other Materials: Email Communications and SOPA Database Information.

Date Investigation Completed: October 6, 2025

FINDINGS

1. **Unfounded.** Investigation classification when the investigator(s) determines, by clear and convincing evidence, that alleged misconduct did not occur or did not involve the subject officer.

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Policies Reviewed: 2.1.4.D.1.b (Uniforms)

5. **Sustained Violation Not Based on Original Complaint.** Investigation classification where the investigator(s) determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, misconduct did occur that was not alleged in the original complaint (whether CPC or internal complaint) but that other misconduct was discovered during the investigation, and by a preponderance of the evidence, that misconduct did occur.

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Additional Comments:

2.1.4.D.1.b: It was determined that Officer C-C did not wear a uniform shirt with his first initial and last name embroidered on the right side of the chest while executing a search warrant, but instead, wore a uniform shirt identifying him as someone else. The incorrect uniform shirt created delays in determining who participated in the search and there may be times when an incorrect identification occurs because of it.
The CPOA recommends a Non-Disciplinary Corrective Action.

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October 31, 2025

Via Email

Re: CPC # 119-25

COMPLAINT:

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EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes

APD Report(s): Yes

CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: Yes

Witness(es) Interviewed: No

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Officer R

Other Materials: Email Communications and SOPA Database Information.

Date Investigation Completed: October 6, 2025

FINDINGS

1. **Unfounded.** Investigation classification when the investigator(s) determines, by clear and convincing evidence, that alleged misconduct did not occur or did not involve the subject officer.

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Policies Reviewed: 1.1.6.C.1 (roles and responsibilities)

2. **Sustained.** Investigation classification when the investigator(s) determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, the alleged misconduct did occur by the subject officer.

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Policies Reviewed: 2.71.4.A.1 (Search & Seizure)

4. **Exonerated.** Investigation classification where the investigator(s) determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, that alleged conduct in the underlying complaint did occur but did not violate APD policies, procedures, or training.

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Policies Reviewed: 2.16.5.C.1 (Reports)

5. **Sustained Violation Not Based on Original Complaint.** Investigation classification where the investigator(s) determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, misconduct did occur that was not alleged in the original complaint (whether CPC or internal complaint) but that other misconduct was discovered during the investigation, and by a preponderance of the evidence, that misconduct did occur.

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Additional Comments:

2.71.4.A.1: It was determined that Officer R conducted a criminal investigation into what he believed to be drug paraphernalia within a vehicle possessed by Ms. D. It was sealed and towed pending the execution of a search warrant. The officers opened the doors and announced themselves before trying to wake the individuals out of an abundance of caution and safety. Ms. D gave consent to search the vehicle only once she was informed that it was going to be towed. There are no clear, definitive timelines as to when a search warrant for a vehicle should be obtained or when an officer shall execute a search warrant.

1.1.6.C.1 However, the delay in obtaining a search warrant was due to Officer R explaining he did not have a vehicle accessible. This explanation did not match with departmental efficiencies as he would still have to have a vehicle to perform other duties.

2.16.5.C.1: It was determined that Officer R failed to complete a report on time. The CPOA recommends a 40 hour suspension, written reprimand, and SOP recommendations.

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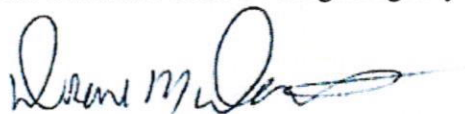
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October 31, 2025

Via Email

Re: CPC # 123-25

COMPLAINT:

On 06/22/2025, V G submitted an online complaint to the CPOA regarding an incident that occurred on 06/20/2025. Ms. V G reported that she had called the APD because her neighbors were using copper horn antennas and AerisStriker software to alter her brain patterns. An officer responded, but Ms. V G decided not to go outside. She later went outside to smoke a cigarette, and three officers ran up and tackled her under false pretenses, causing the cigarette to get stuck in her hair, burning it.

EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes APD Report(s): Yes CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: No Witness(es) Interviewed: No

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Officer HC

Other Materials: Email Communications, Unit History, Court Report, & UOF Policy Suite.

Date Investigation Completed: October 10, 2025

FINDINGS

Policies Reviewed: 2.52.4.C.3 (Use of Force)

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Additional Comments:

2.52.4.C.3: It was determined that Ms. V G was not tackled or that force was otherwise used to take her into custody. She made no complaint of injuries or indicated that she was ever in pain. It was unknown if a cigarette got stuck in and burned her hair.

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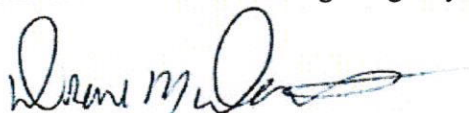
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October 31, 2025

Via Email

Re: CPC # 123-25

COMPLAINT:

PO Box 1293

Albuquerque

NM 87103

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EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes

APD Report(s): Yes

CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: No

Witness(es) Interviewed: No

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Officer AM

Other Materials: Email Communications, Unit History, Court Report, & UOF Policy Suite.

Date Investigation Completed: October 10, 2025

FINDINGS

Policies Reviewed: 2.52.4.C.3 (Use of Force)

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Additional Comments:

2.52.4.C.3: It was determined that Ms. V G was not tackled or that force was otherwise used to take her into custody. She made no complaint of injuries or indicated that she was ever in pain. It was unknown if a cigarette got stuck in and burned her hair.

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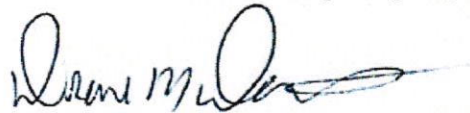
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EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes APD Report(s): Yes CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: No Witness(es) Interviewed: No

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Officer JC

Other Materials: Email Communications, Unit History, Court Report, & UOF Policy Suite.

Date Investigation Completed: October 10, 2025

FINDINGS

Policies Reviewed: 2.52.4.C.3 (Use of Force) & 2.71.4.A.1 (Search & Seizure)

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Policies Reviewed: 2.76.4.F.5 (Court)

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Additional Comments:

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2.71.4.A.1: It was determined that Officer JC conducted a thorough investigation, which resulted in a proper arrest based on probable cause. There was no indication or evidence to support the allegations that any officer broke the window, groped, or improperly or excessively searched Ms. V G or had any knowledge of the software described.

2.76.4.F.5: It was determined that Officer JC failed to appear for a scheduled court bench trial on 07/21/2025 at approximately 0930 hours, resulting in the case being dismissed. There were opportunities to either stop taking calls for service or at least contact the court. The CPOA recommends a 16 hour suspension.

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COMPLAINT:

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EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes

APD Report(s): Yes

CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: Yes

Witness(es) Interviewed: N/A

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: Sgt. DP

Other Materials: Email communications, photographs, time cards, and TraCS screenshots.

Date Investigation Completed: October 15, 2025

FINDINGS

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Policies Reviewed: 2.16.5.C.1.b

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Additional Comments:

2.16.5.C.1.b: It was determined that Sgt. DP did not complete the review/approval of Uniform Crash Report 25-0009654 within three (3) work days of when it was submitted as required by SOP.

The CPOA recommends a verbal reprimand.

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Complainant Interviewed: Yes

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FINDINGS

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Policies Reviewed: 2.46.4.A.1.g

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Additional Comments:

2.46.4.A.1.g: It was determined that Officer J, as the first to respond to this crash scene, was responsible for conducting the investigation, but did not obtain any statement about how the crash occurred from Mr. E

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CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: Yes

Witness(es) Interviewed: N/A

APD Employee Interviewed: Yes

APD Employee Involved: PSA L

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Date Investigation Completed: October 15, 2025

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Policies Reviewed: 2.16.5.B.5

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Additional Comments:

2.16.5.B.5: It was determined that there were inaccuracies and omissions in the Uniform Crash Report 25-0009654 that was completed and submitted by PSA L, and he did not make efforts to correct the inaccuracies or obtain the omitted information.
The CPOA recommends a verbal reprimand.

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COMPLAINT:

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On 08/11/2025, Matthew G submitted an online complaint to the CPOA regarding an incident that occurred on 07/05/2025 between 2335 and 0035 hours at 6 Calle Olas Altos Northeast. Mr. G reported that he was unconstitutionally seized and unlawfully detained regarding a welfare check. The officers used an unwarranted tactical approach, commanded him from his home, maintained their hands on their holsters while using high-beam flashlights, detained him on a curb for over fifteen minutes without probable cause, and later claimed they were at the wrong address. Mr. G indicated that the officers did not provide their information, an incident report was not completed, and the officers did not activate their OBRDs.

EVIDENCE REVIEWED:

Video(s): Yes

APD Report(s): N/A

CAD Report(s): Yes

Complainant Interviewed: Yes

Witness(es) Interviewed: N/A

APD Employee Interviewed: N/A

APD Employee Involved: Not Applicable

Other Materials: Email Communications & APD CAD Recordings.

Date Investigation Completed: August 20, 2025

FINDINGS

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Additional Comments:

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If you have a computer available, we would greatly appreciate your completing our client survey form at <http://www.cabq.gov/cpoa/survey>. Thank you for participating in the process of civilian oversight of the police, ensuring officers and personnel of the APD are held accountable, and improving the process.

Sincerely,
The Civilian Police Oversight Agency by



Diane McDermott
Executive Director
(505) 924-3770

cc: Albuquerque Police Department Chief of Police