201501953 David Cussen Cory Smith Daniel Song

A Black man was standing on a public street in downtown Flushing next to a marine recruiting center, waiting for a car service he had called. Two teenage Latino men were speaking with the recruiter. Nearly everyone else on the busy pedestrian street was Asian. Plainclothes members of an NYPD anti-crime unit, led by Sergeant David Cussen, and including Police Officers Cory Smith and Daniel Song approached the man, asked him for ID, frisked him, and searched him. They also asked for the IDs of the two men who were talking to the marine recruiter. When the man asked for a shield number, PO Smith pulled his shield out from under his shirt and held it up to the man, but did not give his name.

Before the officers were shown surveillance video of the incident, they stated that they had observed the man looking at women's purses as they walked by, that they were familiar with him from a prior arrest, and that there was a bulge in the man's pocket that appeared to be a dangerous weapon. Sergeant Cuseen stated that he had not played a role in the stop, and that only PO Smith had done so. PO Smith stated that he simply had asked for identification, which the man had provided, and that he did not search the man's pocket but that the man had voluntarily shown him that he had an iPhone in his pocket. PO Song stated that he only did crowd control and spoke with the men at the recruiting office, but did not search them.

The video of the incident showed that in fact Sergeant Cussen initiated the stop by asking for the man's identification, that PO Smith frisked the man, and that the two men speaking to the marine recruiter were frisked and that their backpacks were searched. This corresponded precisely to the complainant's account and did not match any officer's account of the incident. When confronted with the video, Sergeant Cussen stated that he had confused the incident for another one, then stated repeatedly, at the urging of his attorney, that he didn't recall key portions of the incident.

The CCRB found that all three officers made false statements during their interviews. After a trial in the administrative prosecution unit, Sergeant Cussen forfeited three vacation days, Officer Smith forfeited ten, and Officer Song forfeited 5 for stopping, frisking, and searching the man without sufficient legal authority.

The NYPD also punished Officer Song for a "misleading statement" by forcing him to forfeit 30 vacation days and placing him on dismissal probation for one year.

Previously, in 2013, Officer Song was found guilty of failing to make activity log entries and, in 2014, was found guilty of failing to make reports. He was warned and admonished for the first incident and issued a letter of instruction for the second instance.

Previously, in 2010, Officer Smith had served one year of "dismissal probation" for an incident in which he failed to safeguard property, failed to notify the NYPD of the misconduct of others, interfered with an investigation, and made false statements in a department interview.

Sergeant Cussen has since been promoted to the Detective Bureau for Manhattan North Homicide.

Complainant/Victim:
• a black man, 5'10" tall, 162 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes, was
time of the incident. He is employed as a
. However, he prefers to receive mail at
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CCRB Statement
was interviewed at the CCRB on March 30, 2015.
On March 17, 2015, at approximately 4:26 p.m., was at a Capital One Bank located at
in Queens. He produced at the interview a receipt showing a transaction he made at the bank at
4:26:33 p.m. On his way to the bank, he noticed PO5 standing near the entrance to the 7 subway station at the intersection of the bank and the area is
predominantly Asian. After exiting the bank, he walked west and made a right onto
also turned the corner and followed him. He slowed down to see if she "was a possible mate," but then he realized sh
was not "his type." He then thought she was "up to no good" and that she might be planning to pickpocket him. She
was following about 10 feet behind him as he walked north on He stopped to go into another building to
exchange foreign currency, and at that moment realized that PO6 had been approximately five feet behind him. PO6
stood out because he moved as if he was going to enter the currency exchange but he was wearing a hoodie and a cap
and in experience, the exchange's usual customers are wearing suits and ties.
to enter the exchange as there was a line and instead continued on to the
There was nothing else about PO5 or PO6 that indicated to that they were police officers an
he did not see that they were wearing bulletproof vests. However, he stated that after the incident, he thought he
recognized PO5 as an officer who stopped him on an unknown date in September 2014.
went to a store in the basement and was inside for 5-10 minutes. As he described it, at some point
"a guy" came in and told him that PO5 and PO6 were waiting outside for him. At approximately 4:40 p.m. he came
back upstairs to wait for a taxi he had called. He could not recall the name of the taxi company but thought it was
"Their number is (). He stood just outside the front door of and smoked a
cigarette. He was dressed in sweatpants, a black sweater, and a puffy coat, and was carrying one shopping bag. A
Marine recruiter stood to right. described him as a 25-year-old Hispanic man who was
5'6"-5'7" tall, weighed 160-170 pounds, and had low hair. He was dressed in uniform and had pamphlets. There wer
two Hispanic man standing to left. Left estimated that they were 15-18 years old. There was also an Asian man in his 40s smoking a cigarette near the curb.
spoke briefly to the Marine but did not speak to anyone else. He never touched anyone else or exchanged any objects
with anyone.
stood outside for approximately 30 seconds before a black Impala pulled up directly in front of
the store. PO1 exited from the front passenger seat. PO2 and PO3 also exited the Impala, but could not
recall where in the vehicle they sat. PO1 walked straight to him and said, "How you doing? Remember me?"
also recalled that PO1 asked him if he remembered him from 'previously interacted previously interacted previously interacted him from 'previously interacted previously interac
with PO1 on September 24, 2014, an interaction documented in CCRB case #
answered request for his name with either the letter "C" or "G." When PO1 asked if
remembered him, responded, "G." PO1 replied, "I'm not your G." PO2 and PO3 went to the two
Hispanic men and requested their IDs, which the men provided. They asked what the two were doing there and from
where they were coming. The men said that they were just talking to the Marine recruiter and that they were coming
from school. believed that the officers stopped the men because they looked "ethnic" and "urban" and
because one was wearing a hoodie. PO4 walked up from the left.
another vehicle and parked out of his sight. She also approached the Hispanic men.
PO1 asked for ID and provided it. PO1 looked at the address on his ID and asked
him how long he had been living in said since he moved there. PO1 thought that

was "being smart." asked PO1 why he was harassing him. PO1 asked him where he lived and what he
had been up to. replied, "You're not my friend. Why are you asking me questions about my personal life
I don't know you, you don't know me. Why are you harassing me every time you see me?" was not
raising his voice. PO1 was aggressive and asked about guns.
raising his voice. PO1 was aggressive and asked about guns. again said that PO1 was harassing him. He said that he was in a public shopping area with one thousand people in it, and that 99 were Asian,
and that he was the only black guy there. asked PO1 for his shield number multiple times. Finally PO1
pulled his shield out from under his clothing and held it up about an inch from face. PO1 said, "Here's
my badge number," and tucked the shield back under his shirt. PO1 never said the number aloud, but
able to read the number as 782. said that he wanted to make a complaint and that he needed PO1's name.
stated both that PO1 did not respond to this request, and also that PO1 replied, "Yo you find out. You
call, you figure it out." PO1 also seemed angry that wanted to make a complaint and raised his voice. He
said he was not afraid of making a complaint. When specifically asked if PO1 ever used profanity during
the incident, recalled that PO1 said, "I don't give a fuck if you want to make a complaint. I'm not fucking
scared of you." first stated that he never used profanity with PO1 during the incident, but then recalled
that he said, "You're not being a gentleman. You're being a cocksucker."
PO1 entered coat and pants pockets and patted his buttocks. was carrying an
Iphone 6 in his right jacket pocket, and also had keys and a cigar. PO1 removed items and immediately returned them
to the pockets. denied carrying anything that would have created a bulge on his person. His cellphone
was ringing because the taxi had arrived. PO1 told him not to worry about it.
up his kids and that PO1 was harassing him. was a little upset because he did not want his kids and their
mother to see him with police. No other officers ever joined PO1 and during their conversation or when
PO1 searched him.
PO3 took ID and the Hispanic men's IDs and returned to the Impala. The Marine recruiter saw
PO1 search and saw other officers search the Hispanic men before walking away. The Asian man who
had been smoking a cigarette also left. Shoppers from inside came to look before walking away.
and the Hispanic men remained there with the officers for approximately 40 minutes. No one was ever
handcuffed. never spoke to any other officers and no other officers ever touched him. The officers never
interacted with any other civilians beyond and the Hispanic men.
of any other officers. The officers were "taking their time" about returning ID. PO1 was still aggressive
and again asked about guns and about what he was doing in the area. Eventually the officers returned the
IDs and drove away.
said that he could recognize photographs of PO1, PO2, and PO4.
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At 26:53, I discussed what happens next in the CCRB process. I noted that I had previously discussed investigation and mediation with an interview for another case that was conducted immediately before this reiterated that he was not interested in mediation. When asked to explain why, he said that PO2 is definitely not a professional and he did not see him handling himself with any professionalism because of mediation. He described mediation as a form of recognizing that you're wrong and said that he could not envision PO2 recognizing that he was wrong. He said that PO2 handled him as a black man and a criminal and not as a taxpaying citizen. He said PO2 was a racist officer.

PO1: male, white, 6'2", large build, 33-35, red/brown beard, hat. Learned initial in previous incident as "C" or "G." Read shield number as 782.

PO2: male, Asian, 5'7", slim/muscular, late 30s. Referred to in previous incident as a Sgt.

PO3: male, white, 6'3", slim, 33, black hoodie, hat.

PO4: female, Hispanic, 5'6", heavyset, 30, black hair, gray hoodie.

PO5: female, black, 5'8", average build, short dreads. Later realized that PO5 had interacted with him in a previous incident approximately six months prior.

PO6: male, white, 6'2"-6'3", slim, hoodie, baseball cap.

Additional	Contact:

Subject Officer: PO CORY SMITH

- PO Smith, a white man, 6'3" tall, 250 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes, was 33 years old at the time of the incident.
- On March 17, 2015, PO Smith was assigned to Anticrime in the 109th Precinct. He was assigned to a foot patrol on and did not have a partner. He was dressed in plainclothes. He worked from 9:30 a.m. to 6:05 p.m.

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On March 17, 2015, at approximately 4:40 p.m., PO Smith noted that he stopped a man in front of The man was wearing black sweatpants and a black bubble jacket and had close-cut hair and a slim build. There was a bulge in the man's jacket. At 4:45 p.m. PO Smith noted that the man was identified as and that he was known to sell drugs and that he had prior robbery and burglary arrests. Was frisked because of the bulge in the right pocket of his jacket. Was very annoyed at being stopped. At 4:58 p.m. PO Smith noted that he prepared a report in regards.

On March 17, 2015, PO Smith did not have a partner because he was working an anticrime foot patrol. There

CCRB Statement

PO Smith was interviewed at the CCRB on June 4, 2015.

Smith crossed the street, so that he was on the same side of the street as

had recently been a string of numerous larcenies in the vicinity of in Flushing, including pickpocketing
and unattended larcenies. PO Smith could not recall exactly how many larcenies had occurred but reiterated that there
a lot on He and other anticrime officers were patrolling on roughly between
The anticrime officers were in plainclothes and attempting to catch thieves in the
act.
At approximately 4:40 p.m., PO Smith was standing across the street from
PO Smith knew that there had been numerous thefts in the vicinity of including instances of
pickpocketing and bag snatching. He also knew there had been a few unattended grand larcenies at the location. The
investigator asked if he meant that the unattended grand larcenies had occurred inside and PO Smith
replied, "In the vicinity of." He looked across the street and saw standing in front of
entrance. PO Smith recognized This was the first time that day that PO Smith had seen PO
Smith did not know if any other anticrime officers had observed earlier that day, but none reported it to
him. PO Smith had previously interacted with in September 2014 during an incident described in CCRB
At the time of that incident, PO Smith had only been at the 109 th Precinct for approximately three
years and was not familiar with all the area's known recidivists. After the incident, PO Smith ran a search of
prior arrest history and found that he had been arrested approximately 29 times for robbery, drug-related
offenses including the selling of narcotics, and thefts that included both grand larcenies and petit larcenies.
At some time between PO Smith's interaction with in September 2014 and March 15, 2015, a
detective in the 109 th Precinct detective squad approached PO Smith and asked him if he had stopped
Smith could not recall when this interaction took place, nor could he recall the detective's name. He told the detective
that he had stopped The detective said, "I might like him on a domestic robbery," which meant that
might have been a suspect of that crime. The detective did not provide any further information regarding the
domestic robbery. PO Smith first said that this domestic robbery occurred one or two months before his September
2014 interaction with but later said that the detective did not tell him when the domestic robbery
occurred. The detective said that he would PO Smith and the anticrime team know if he was eventually able to
as a suspect. PO Smith did not discuss again with that detective. As a
result, when he saw standing in front of he thought it was possible that
identified as the suspect but had not yet been apprehended.
PO Smith observed for approximately five minutes. At some point during those five minutes, PO

and continued to observe him

from down the block. PO Smith did not recall how far away he was from
same side of the street. never moved from his location during the five minutes. PO Smith recounted, "I
observed basically look at females that were walking by—he was looking at their handbags. Somebody
had walked by on their cellphone; I saw him looking at cellphones." was also engaged in conversation
with two men who appeared to be 16-20 years old. PO Smith could not recall their respective races and could not
provide any further description of them. He said, "I wasn't looking at those guys. I was pretty much focused on
PO Smith could not recall how many handbags or how many cellphones he saw focus upon and
could only say looked at "numerous" of each item. The investigator asked PO Smith how he knew that
was looking at the cellphones and bags. He replied, "As I'm watching him, and I see a female walk by
him, and he looks directly at her purse, it's pretty self-explanatory. He's casing victims." The investigator asked PO
Smith to explain how he could tell that was specifically looking at the cellphones and bags and not at the
women themselves. PO Smith explained, "It wasn't something where it was, 'Hey, that's a nice bag. I'm gonna buy
that for my mom.' It was, 'I wonder what's in that.' To me it was him casing the victims, and the property that the
victims have. Or potential victims." As PO Smith was focusing upon he did not see if the two younger
men with also appeared to be casing victims.
In addition, when PO Smith crossed to the same side of the street as
bulge in right jacket pocket. He explained, "I could see that there was an object that was kinda sticking
out a little bit, as far as pushing out, and that there was some sort of weight to it." The bulge appeared to be created by
a heavy object. The investigator asked him to describe the size of the bulge and he said that he could not see the size
of it. kept tapping and touching the "general area" where the bulge was. He did this "pretty continuously"
while PO Smith watched him. PO Smith suspected that the bulge could be a weapon. He did not suspect it of being a
specific type of weapon. The investigator asked if PO Smith had any additional reasons to suspect that
possessed a weapon and he said that had a prior arrest involving a weapon. He could not recall what type
of weapon was involved in that arrest.
PO Smith approached and identified himself as an officer. At some point he announced the stop
on his radio. During this period of anticrime foot patrol, if an officer announced a stop over the radio, at least one or
two officers would respond to the location. In some instances the entire anticrime team might respond. PO Smith
recalled that two other anticrime officers and Sgt. Cussen responded to the scene. He could not recall the other officers' identities and could not recall if any officers responded to the scene in a vehicle. He said that he identified
himself to before announcing the stop on the radio, however when asked if any additional officers were
present when he first approached PO Smith said, "I think a couple arrived right as I approached
and I think a few more came after the fact."
PO Smith asked he was waiting for someone and said that he was not. PO Smith
asked him if he had anything dangerous on him or anything that could "cut" him, "stab" him, or "blow up on" him.
said that he did not. The investigator asked PO Smith if he was able to make a closer observation of the
bulge in jacket after he approached him. PO Smith replied, "As I approached him, my focus is
hands and that bulge." The investigator asked if PO Smith was able to make an estimation of the bulge's
size and he said, "I don't think I mentally made a note of how big the bulge was." Similarly, PO Smith was not able to
describe the bulge's shape. He did not suspect the bulge of being a specific type of weapon after he approached
He did not ask about the bulge. He frisked the outside of the bulge and determined by feeling it
that it was not a weapon. PO Smith did not frisk any other part of body. PO Smith did not enter any of
pockets and did not remove the object that created the bulge from jacket pocket.
later removed the object from his pocket and PO Smith saw that it was a cellphone.
PO Smith requested identification and provided it to him.
PO Smith from their previous interaction and became angry and agitated. He asked PO Smith why he stopped him.
PO Smith explained that there had been many instances of theft in the area, and that he wanted to run a warrant check
on told PO Smith that he was harassing him, that he was "the same motherfucker" who had
previously stopped him, and that PO Smith was targeting him. also moved his body around. PO Smith

recounted, "He was kind of swaying back and forth, throwing his hands up in the air. At one point he actually kind of stepped towards me, at which point I kind of made him—just created some space." The investigator asked if PO and he said, "I believe I might have just kind of put my hand out, told him to, you Smith had to touch know, calm down. PO Smith wanted to determine if had any open warrants because he thought it was possible that the domestic assault mentioned to him by the unidentified detective may have generated a warrant for if he had any open warrants. Sgt. Cussen used his arrest. PO Smith did not recall if he ever asked cellphone to call someone at the command to run the warrant check on PO Smith did not know what the other two officers were doing at this time, and he could not recall if any other officers ever spoke to investigator asked PO Smith what the two young men he observed with were doing at this time. He said he was "not sure" what they were doing. The investigator asked if the men were stopped by officers and PO Smith replied. "I'm not sure. I don't remember. My concern was with PO Smith never spoke to either of the men, never frisked either of them, and never searched either of them. He denied seeing any other officer frisk or search either of the men. PO Smith could not recall if a recruiter for the U.S. Marine Corps was also on scene. PO Smith waited with for approximately 20 minutes while the warrant check was being performed. During this time asked for PO Smith's name and PO Smith stated it. requested PO Smith's shield number. The investigator asked if PO Smith also stated his shield number to and he replied, "I showed him my shield number. I held it up and I said, 'My name's Police Officer Smith, shield number 782." PO Smith was wearing his shield on a lanyard around his neck. The investigator asked if PO Smith face and he said, "I just held it up." PO Smith denied that he held his shield held shield up in front of right up to in face. PO Smith denied saying, "I don't give a fuck if you make a complaint. I'm not fucking scared of you." He denied using any profanity with and denied hearing any other officer use profanity with It was eventually determined that did not have any open warrants and he was released. PO Smith created a UF250 report for the incident. PO Smith reviewed the UF250 report he prepared regarding the stop of He specified he noted on the form that he suspected of CPW because of the bulge he observed on person. The investigator asked why he had not noted that he suspected of petit larceny and PO Smith explained that he noted CPW because CPW is the more serious of the two offenses. He checked the box for furtive movements in repeated touching of the outside of his jacket pocket. He learned that reference to criminal history. He checked the box for inappropriate attire nickname is " during his research into jacket, and said that the way it was being worn indicated that because of was possibly trying to conceal a weapon. The investigator asked PO Smith to explain what he meant by this and PO Smith said that it was a very large jacket. The investigator asked if he meant that the jacket was puffy and he said that he meant that the jacket was a very large size. The investigator asked if the jacket was sized too large for replied, "I'm not a fashion expert, but yes." The investigator asked what about the jacket's size was inappropriate and asked if it was incongruous with that day's weather. PO Smith said it was more the size that was inappropriate and that individuals frequently wear oversize clothing to conceal things. PO Smith checked the box indicating that gave evasive, false, or inconsistent answers to his questions because became agitated when he asked for his pedigree information and gave one word answers.

Subject Officer: SGT. DAVID CUSSEN

- Sgt. Cussen, a white man, 5'11" tall, 200 pounds, with a bald head and blue eyes, was 38 years old at the time of the incident.
- On March 17, 2015, Sgt. Cussen was the Anticrime supervisor in the 109th Precinct. He was dressed in plainclothes and worked from 9:26 a.m. to 6:10 p.m. He led a team of anticrime officers working on foot in the vicinity of

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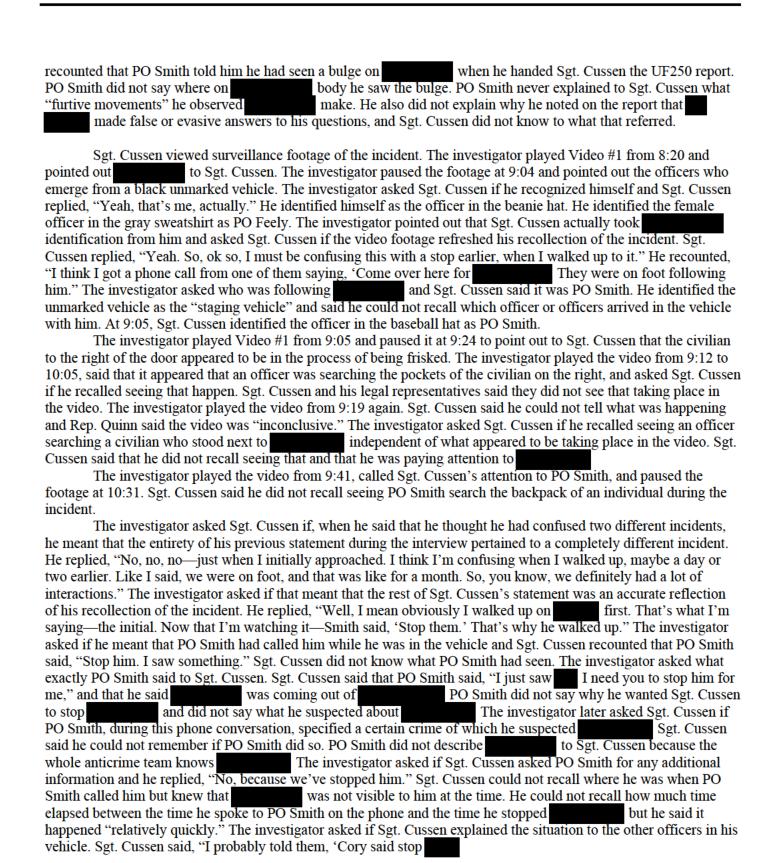
On March 17, 2015, at approximately 4:43 p.m., Sgt. Cussen noted that he backed up an anticrime officer in stopping a man in front of the man was named and was wearing a black jacket and black pants. A warrant check for the was negative and PO Smith prepared a UF250 report regarding the stop.

CCRB Statement

Sgt. Cussen was interviewed at the CCRB on June 18, 2015. On March 17, 2015, Sgt. Cussen led a team of plainclothes anticrime officers who participated in a "grand

larceny initiative" in downtown Flushing. Sgt. Cussen explained that the officers were attempting to catch
pickpockets and that they worked roughly within a three-block radius of the intersection of
When asked which officers were working on his team that day, Sgt. Cussen said, "PO Smith, PO Ricci, PO
Feely, PO Galvani, and probably PO Song." When asked to describe what actions his team took in their pursuit of
pickpockets, Sgt. Cussen said, "We kind of just followed people." He explained that the officers attempted to blend
in, worked in pairs and alone, and would go into stores and pretend to shop. He also explained that the officers kept
one vehicle parked a few blocks away, near of the precinct and the officers needed to respond quickly. Sgt. Cussen held the keys for the vehicle.
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At approximately 4:43 p.m., Sgt. Cussen saw that PO Smith had stopped in front of
Sgt. Cussen referred to by his nickname "Sgt. Cussen became aware of the stop
in progress by seeing it happening. He did not recall if he heard something on the radio about the stop. He explained
that the team members turned off their radios and used cellphones during the detail. He saw PO Smith first because
PO Smith is a tall, large white man and stands out amongst the many Asians in the area. The investigator asked Sgt.
Cussen where he was when he saw the stop in progress and he said he did not know and was not really sure. The
investigator asked how far away he was and he said, "Across the street and down the block." Sgt. Cussen could see
that there were other officers with PO Smith but could not recall their identities. He could see that PO Smith was
speaking to Sgt. Cussen did not see the beginning of the stop and did not know for how long it had been
occurring before he became aware of it.
Sgt. Cussen explained that he recognized He described as a "bad guy," as a "known
perpetrator within the command," and as a "recidivist on our recidivists list." Sgt. Cussen knew that
been arrested numerous times. He had seen him in person before but did not think he had ever personally interacted
with him. The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen if he knew what
"I don't. My cops do. That's their thing, and they keep me apprised of who we're looking for." The investigator asked
criminal history involved pickpocketing or any similar crimes and Sgt. Cussen replied, "I don't want
to say yes because I don't know." The investigator asked if history involved any crimes involving
weapons or violence and Sgt. Cussen replied, "Like I said, I don't want to say something and be wrong, so no." Set Cussen approached PO Smith and They were steading near the building every from the
Sgt. Cussen approached PO Smith and curb. PO Smith handed Sgt. Cussen identification and asked him to run a warrant check. Sgt. Cussen
curb. PO Smith handed Sgt. Cussen specifically denied that he stopped Sgt. Cussen denied seeing PO Smith frisk before this
point, and denied ever seeing him do so. Sgt. Cussen turned and stepped off the curb to call his command to run the
warrant check. When asked if he ever saw PO Smith search pockets, Sgt. Cussen replied, "No, but like
I said, I turned." Other than asking Sgt. Cussen to check for warrants for
other information to Sgt. Cussen. The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen if there was a specific belief at the time that
other information to Sgt. Cussen. The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen if there was a specific benef at the time that

might have an open warrant. Sgt. Cussen said there was and explained, "From my understanding, my cops thought he was wanted on a domestic charge. I think a domestic robbery." He clarified that PO Smith was the officer who believed might have such an open warrant. Sgt. Cussen was not aware of this possible warrant and PO Smith did not provide any other details regarding the possible domestic robbery. The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen if PO Smith handed him multiple identification cards and he answered, "I don't think so." The investigator later asked if Sgt. Cussen ever obtained any other identification cards or ran any other warrant checks and he answered, "I don't remember."
When asked to describe demeanor, Sgt. Cussen recounted, "He wasn't saying a word. He had this look on his face like he wasn't very happy." was not moving around or gesturing, and Sgt. Cussen never heard him yelling or using profanity. The investigator asked if anything about attire seemed suspicious or inappropriate. He replied, "To me? No. I mean, I didn't look at him that way." Sgt. Cussen never
observed any bulges on Sgt. Cussen could not recall which other officers were present at the time. The investigator asked if he could recall how many officers were present and whether his entire team was there. He replied, "Not the entire team. Because I do remember at the time—I forget who—they were following somebody else. So I was trying to monitor that at the same time." The investigator pointed out that PO Feely and PO Galvani were women and asked which was on scene and Sgt. Cussen replied, "I don't remember which one." Sgt. Cussen then said that he could not recall if there were any female officers present during the stop.
The investigator asked if there were any other civilians stopped at the same location and Sgt. Cussen recounted, "There was a kid that one of my other cops was talking to. I don't know if that was in conjunction with this stop or if they were just talking to him." Sgt. Cussen described this civilian as a young Hispanic man. He could not recall which officer was speaking to the "kid" and said the "kid" was approximately 10-15 feet away on the block from PO Smith and Sgt. Cussen explained that was his main concern at the time and he was
not really paying attention to the "little kid." The investigator asked if officers were stopping the "kid" and Sgt. Cussen replied, "I don't remember. I know they were talking, and it could have been bullshitting about the Knicks." The investigator asked if Sgt. Cussen ever obtained the "kid's" identification and he said, "I don't think so." The investigator asked if any other officer ever obtained the "kid's" identification and Sgt. Cussen said, "Maybe." He denied seeing any officer frisk or search the "kid." The investigator asked if the "kid" remained on scene throughout the entire stop of Sgt. Cussen replied, "I don't know. Like I said, I took the ID, turned to the street,
called, gave it back, and said, 'He's good.' That was the extent of my involvement." The investigator asked if, other than the "kid," there were any other civilians in the vicinity of the stop or speaking to officers. Sgt. Cussen replied, "Have you ever been to downtown Flushing?" The investigator said he was aware that the area was busy. Sgt. Cussen continued, "There's literally—and they don't have any qualms. They'll walk in between you talking to people, they'll walk and stand in your face, they'll ask you what's going on. I honestly couldn't tell you." Sgt. Cussen did not recall there being a uniformed Marine recruiter at the stop.
The warrant check for was negative. Sgt. Cussen estimated that he was on scene for approximately three minutes. He first said that everyone left the scene at the conclusion of the stop, but later said that he did not know if any other officers remained there after he left. He was "pretty sure" that he walked away from the scene. He could not recall if a police vehicle ever arrived at the scene of the stop. Sgt. Cussen denied hearing request any officer's name or shield number during the incident. The
investigator asked if he ever saw PO Smith hold his shield up to face and Sgt. Cussen replied, "No. That would be showing him his shield though, right?" The investigator explained that specifically alleged that PO Smith put his shield directly in his face near his eyes and Sgt. Cussen denied that he ever saw that take place. He denied hearing PO Smith say to "I don't give a fuck if you want to make a complaint. I'm not fucking scared of you." He denied hearing any officer make that statement. He never used profanity with
and did not speak to him during the incident. Sgt. Cussen reviewed the UF250 report prepared by PO Smith regarding the stop of The investigator asked if Sgt. Cussen knew why PO Smith suspected of having a weapon and Sgt. Cussen



replied, "I don't remember."

The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen if he suspected of any crime when he walked up to him in
front of Sgt. Cussen replied, "My cop did. That's why they asked me to stop him." Rep. Quinn asked
him, "But did you?" Sgt. Cussen said that he did not personally suspect of any specific crime. The
investigator asked if Sgt. Cussen made any observations of as he walked up to him and asked if anything
about appearance caught his eye or aroused his suspicion. Sgt. Cussen replied, "Nope. He's just looking
right at me. Stopped him. Honestly he didn't say a word to me." Sgt. Cussen explained that he did not verbally request
identification and that spontaneously handed it to him. The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen
identification and that spontaneously handed it to him. The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen if he said anything at all when he approached and he replied, "I don't remember saying one word to him
the whole time." Rep. Patton said he wanted a clarification and asked Sgt. Cussen, "You earlier said, Sergeant, that
you didn't stop and that one of the officers gave you his ID. That's what you confused earlier? You can see
now that you're involved in the stop of him?" Sgt. Cussen replied, "Right." Rep. Patton continued, "And that
gave you his ID, not the officer? Is that right? gave you his ID, not the officer?" Sgt. Cussen replied, "Yes."
Rep. Patton continued. "And he wasn't stopped when you got there. You were involved in the stopping of him?" Set.
Cussen replied, "Correct." He then said of "He kind of stopped himself. He handed me an ID." Rep.
Patton replied, "But it's a little different than what you originally said," and Sgt. Cussen replied, "Right."
Sgt. Cussen could not recall if PO Smith told him to stop any other individuals when he called him. He could
not recall if PO Smith told him that the two men seen being stopped by officers in the video footage were with
Sgt. Cussen denied that he directed other officers to stop either of the men. Sgt. Cussen denied making any
observations of any individuals other than that aroused his suspicion. Sgt. Cussen could not recall if he
spoke to any of the other officers seen in the video footage while he stood in front of
identification. The investigator asked if he ever instructed any officers to frisk or search any individuals other than
and Sgt. Cussen replied, "No, but I wouldn't do that." One of his representatives said to him, "You don't
recall." The investigator asked, "You don't recall? Or no you didn't?" Sgt. Cussen replied, "I don't recall telling them
anything."
The investigator played the footage from 10:32 to 11:01 and said that it appeared that PO Feely handed Sgt.
Cussen an ID. Sgt. Cussen said, "She handed me something. I don't know what it was." The investigator asked Sgt.
Cussen if the footage refreshed his recollection as to whether he obtained more than one identification during the
incident. He said, "I might have looked at it." Rep. Quinn said to him, "You don't recall," and Sgt. Cussen said, "No,
I don't know."
The investigator played the footage from 11:02 to 12:10, said that PO Smith appeared to be frisking
and asked Sgt. Cussen if he recalled seeing that take place. Sgt. Cussen said, "I don't think I was paying
attention to it." Sgt. Cussen tried to continue speaking but both of his representatives interrupted him and Rep. Patton
said, "That's it. That's the answer. Please don't volunteer anything else." Sgt. Cussen later denied seeing PO Smith
remove a cellphone from jacket.
The investigator played the rest of Video #1 and did not ask any further questions.
The investigator played Video #2 from 00:00 to 00:36 and reminded Sgt. Cussen that he had earlier denied
seeing PO Smith put his shield in face. The investigator asked if watching this footage refreshed his
recollection about whether he saw that take place. Sgt. Cussen replied, "It looks to me like he showed it to him." Rep. Online called "Put do you recall that at all?" Rep. Petton said, "He's putting it right into his face. Sergeont That's the
Quinn asked, "But do you recall that at all?" Rep. Patton said, "He's putting it right into his face, Sergeant. That's the
question." Sgt. Cussen replied, "No." Rep. Patton said, "No, you do not, right?" Sgt. Cussen replied, "No."

The investigator played the footage from 10:30 to 10:40 and said it appeared that Sgt. Cussen handed an identification to PO Smith, an identification to PO Feely, and an identification to the unidentified officer on the right side of the screen. The investigator asked if the footage refreshed Sgt. Cussen's recollection as to whether he obtained

The investigator played the footage from 00:37 to 01:07 and Sgt. Cussen confirmed that it showed him walking back to his vehicle to call the command to perform the warrant check. The investigator asked Sgt. Cussen if the video refreshed his recollection as to whether he performed warrant checks on more than one individual and he

multiple identifications during the incident and asked him if he recalled having three identification cards during the incident. Sgt. Cussen said he did not recall that being the case.

Rep. Patton said to Sgt. Cussen, "You indicated that it took about three minutes, but that video is much longer than three minutes. Is your recollection refreshed that it took longer than that?" Sgt. Cussen responded affirmatively. Rep. Patton asked, "15 minutes as opposed to three?" and Sgt. Cussen replied, "Sure."

Sgt. Cussen could not recall the identity of the unidentified male officer who is on the right side of the screen but is hidden by

Subject Officer: PO TATIANA FEELY

- PO Feely, a Hispanic woman, 5'2" tall, 145 pounds, with brown hair and brown eyes, was 27 years old at the time of the incident.
- On March 17, 2015, PO Feely was assigned to an Anticrime foot post in the 109th Precinct. She worked in a team but did not have a partner. She was dressed in plainclothes and worked from 9:30 a.m. to 6:05 p.m.

Memo Book

On March 17, 2015, at approximately 5 p.m., PO Feely noted that she stopped at She observed trying to look in women's bags and stopped him for grand larceny. She frisked him for furtive movements but did not search him. No weapons or contraband were recovered.

On March 17, 2015, PO Feely worked on an anticrime team that was attempting to address a "pickpocket condition" in downtown Flushing. The anticrime officers worked on foot and did so for approximately one and a half

CCRB Statement

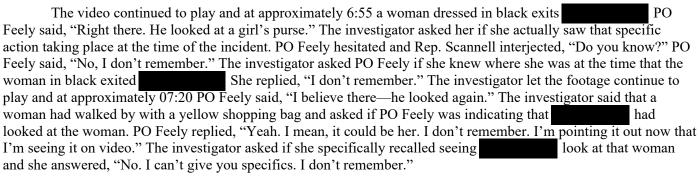
PO Feely was interviewed at the CCRB on July 1, 2015.

months. PO Feely could not recall if, on the date of the incident, all the anticrime officers on duty in the precinct
worked on her team. She could not recall if any other officers were on the team that day. She could only recall that PO
Smith and Sgt. Cussen were on the team that day. At approximately 5 p.m., PO Feely was driving an unmarked
vehicle with Sgt. Cussen. She did not think any other officers were in the vehicle at the time. PO Feely could not
recall why she and Sgt. Cussen were in a vehicle as they typically worked on foot. She guessed that they may have
been on meal. She was driving southbound on She believed that Sgt. Cussen received a phone call and
then told her to drive to She was not certain if a phone call prompted Sgt.
Cussen's directive and said it was possible that he simply told her to go to but she assumed that an
officer must have wanted to make a stop and called Sgt. Cussen for backup. Sgt. Cussen did not tell her why he
wanted to go to She could not recall where she was when Sgt. Cussen told her to drive to
but knew was not in sight at the time. It took her approximately five minutes to drive to the location. The
fact that Sgt. Cussen could not see when he directed PO Feely to drive there supported her belief that an
officer had asked Sgt. Cussen to respond for backup. She said, "I don't see why he would just tell me, 'Go here,' if we
were, like, blocks away. It's not like he saw him from a distance."
As PO Feely drove up to she saw a man standing in front of the store, to the right of the front
door. She did not recognize him. The investigation identified him as
was dressed. She observed for "like a minute." The investigator asked her what observations
she made of before she exited her vehicle and PO Feely recounted, "He was looking around into bags,
like at females' purses. And that's kind of what we were looking for." The investigator asked how PO Feely could tell
was looking into women's bags and she explained, "Because they were like walking really close to
him, and he would just kind of, like, look into them." PO Feely mimed by leaning forward and moving
her gaze from one side to the other. The investigator asked PO Feely if she could really tell that
looking into the women's bags and asked if he was that close to them. She replied, "I can't tell what he was looking
at, but I can tell that he was just like—his eyes were just following certain females, like with their purses out." Rep.
Scannell asked, "And that was an indication that he may be involved in pickpocketing?" PO Feely answered
affirmatively. The investigator asked PO Feely how she could tell that was not simply watching women
as they passed him. PO Feely hesitated and Rep. Scannell asked, "Did you believe he was looking at the bags, as
opposed to" PO Feely interjected, "I just believe he was looking at the bags. I don't think he was just checking
them out." The investigator asked how many bags looked into and PO Feely said, "It was probably like
two or three women walking by." PO Feely did not make any other observations of that aroused her
suspicion. PO Feely estimated that she observed for "like a minute" before she approached him.
PO Feely explained that she was new to the anticrime team (she joined it approximately four weeks before
this incident), so she was "more like quiet and shadowing everybody." She saw that

another man whom she identified as However, she did not recognize him as
the incident. She explained, "No, I just heard of him. Like, I heard names around the precinct, like different people
that are known. But I don't know people by face." The investigator asked her about she had heard about
and she said, "No, I didn't hear anything about him. I just heard the name. Or I might have mixed it up with someone
else. But I hear names around all day. Like, it could have been like, he got arrested before. I don't know." PO Feely
had no knowledge of criminal history at the time of the incident.
standing directly next to each other in front of and were looking at each other. PO Feely recounted,
"They were together. You could tell." PO Feely did not make any observations of
investigator later asked if PO Feely saw any other individuals standing with and and she
replied, "I don't remember. I don't think so. I don't remember."
PO Feely made various statements during the interview regarding the moment that she pulled up in front of
exited her vehicle, and approached In her initial description of the incident, she said, "I
noticed and saw that he was looking into people's bags. As soon as we jumped out of the car, I kind of
focused on him." She later said, "When we pulled up I saw My boss got out and went directly to
and then I got out and went to because I saw that they were together." She later said of her
decision to stop "I stopped him because I saw my boss go directly to the other guy, and I stopped him
for safety." The investigator later asked her directly why she stopped and she said, "For him looking
into the bags." She confirmed that she stopped on her own initiative and that Sgt. Cussen did not
instruct her to do so. She and Sgt. Cussen were the first officers on scene.
PO Feely admitted to frisking in her initial account of the incident. She said, "I think that was
probably the first thing I did." She said that she frisked him to "to see if he had anything on him." She later said that
she wanted to make sure did not have any weapons. She patted the front and back pockets of
pants. She could not recall if she frisked any other part of his body. The investigator asked why she
specifically frisked pockets and she replied, "Well, I wanted to make sure he didn't have something on
him in his pockets." The investigator asked if she had a specific reason for patting his pockets as opposed to any other
part of his body and PO Feely said that she did not. Rep. Scannell asked PO Feely if the waistband area is the most
common area to carry a weapon and PO Feely answered affirmatively. The investigator pointed out that PO Feely had
frisked pockets and she said, "Like possibly a gravity knife, like clipped into his pocket." PO Feely
could not recall if she observed any bulges in pockets or saw any indication that there was anything in
his pockets before she frisked him. The investigator later asked her if she ever searched and specifically
if she entered his pockets and she replied, "I don't remember. No. I don't think so."
PO Feely asked for name and if he had identification. was calm and produced
his identification. PO Feely asked him where he was coming from and he said he was coming from school. She asked
him what was in his bag and he said, "Books. You can look if you want." The investigator asked PO Feely why she
asked what was in his bag and she replied, "I just wanted to see if he possibly had a weapon or
something. Just for my own safety. I just wanted to know if he had something on him he shouldn't have." The
investigator asked her why she believed might have a weapon and she replied, "Well, no, I didn't
necessarily believe he had a weapon. I just wanted to make sure. Just for my own safety. It's just a common question
to ask him—if he has something on him." The investigator asked PO Feely if she made any observations that led her
to believe that might have a weapon and she said, "No." PO Feely did not ask
search his bag. After telling her she could check, he spontaneously took the bag off. At that moment PO Smith
approached on foot. PO Feely could not recall how much time elapsed before PO Smith arrived. PO Feely could not
recall if PO Smith searched through the bag or simply looked inside it, but she thought he only looked into it. She
recalled him saying something like, "Oh wow, there is books," before he closed the bag's zipper. PO Feely did not say
anything to PO Smith before he looked into the bag. She denied that PO Smith ever frisked or searched
other than looking into his bag.
PO Feely gave identification to Sgt. Cussen and then watched hands. She did
not speak to again. She could not recall if Sgt. Cussen obtained identification from

was on the other side of the front door to PO Feely could not hear Sgt. Cussen's discussion with could not say if was yelling or even saying anything. She explained, "I can't even hear the person next to me. It's so noisy over there." She never spoke to officers. She did not know why weeks in and I was just kind of shadowing everyone, so I don't want to ask questions. I just kind of, like, wait, let the cops do their thing, and then afterwards I'm like, 'ok why did you stop this guy?" She did not know if PO Smith eve interacted with she denied hearing and the seeing any officers frisk or search she has never heard PO Smith use profanity. She denied hearing him say, "I don't give a fuck if you make a complaint. I'm not fucking scared of you." In fact, she said that she has never heard PO Smith use profanity. She denied using any profanity during the incident. The investigator asked if there were ever any other officers on scene other than PO Smith and Sgt. Cussen. PO Feely replied, "I don't remember. We stop people all the time. I honestly don't remember." PO Feely had no recollection of a third individual being stopped during the incident. The investigator named PO Galvani and PO Feely said she did know if PO Galvani was present at the incident the officers on the detail were all on foot and working alone. The investigator named PO Ricci, PO Hamid, PO Stapleton, PO Kim, and PO Song. PO Feely said that none of them were present during the incident. PO Feely could not recall how long the incident lasted. She did not perform any warrant checks during the incident but did not know if any other officer did so. She did not recall there being a Marine recruiter on scene. She could not recall who told her that the individual Sgt. Cussen stopped during the incident but did not learn anything specific about him. She could not recall who told her that the individual Sgt. Cussen stopped during the incident was
The investigator reviewed the UF250 report PO Feely prepared regarding her stop of investigator noted that PO Feely stated the stop occurred at an approximation. PO Feely said it was because she was not exactly sure of the address. The investigator pointed to the section of the form regarding the reasons for the stop and asked why PO Feely checked the box for "actions indicative of engaging in violent crimes." PO Feely said, "Well, I meant like the pickpocket issue." She explained that the action took was looking at women's purses while they walked past him. The investigator asked why she checked the box indicating that no other individuals were stopped and she said that she thought that meant that she did not stop anyone else during the incident. In the section stating why was frisked, PO Feely checked the box for "actions indicative of engaging in violent crimes" for the reason previously stated. The investigator asked her why she checked the box for furtive movements and to what movements that referred. PO Feely said, "Well, like, hin looking around. And like I said, I just wanted to check if he didn't have a weapon on him or something on him." PO Feely checked the box in the "additional circumstances" section for "area has high incidence of reported offense of type under investigation." She explained that this referred to pickpocketing and that the area encompassed approximately a three-block radius around the intersection of the anticrime detail. In the same section, PO Feely checked the box indicating that was associated with persons known for criminal activity. The investigator asked why she checked this box and she replied, "Well, I mean, I just checked that off because he was with the other officers stopped." The investigator asked her when she prepared the UF250 report and she said she prepared it on the date of the incident. The investigator asked her if that meant that she learned identity on the same day as the incident and she said, "No. I filled out the front part because, like I said, I was new

18, 2015, but that she crossed those lines out and made the entry regarding the stop of "Well, I didn't fill out my memo book the same exact day. You can see, it was pretty much like end of tour, so we came back to the precinct and we just left. The next day I was just gonna fill out my book and catch up on the paperwork. And then as I started writing that day, I'm like, 'Oh.'" PO Feely then realized that she had to write the entry documenting the stop of She admitted that both the memo book entry and the UF250 report were prepared the day after the incident. The investigator asked if, by that time, she had learned that had a criminal history. PO Feely replied, "Like I said, I just heard his name. I didn't know exactly what, and I still don't know cause I didn't even look up." PO Feely did not know if any other officers prepared any other UF250 reports regarding the incident.
PO Feely viewed surveillance footage of the incident. The investigator played Video #1 from 07:57 and paused at 08:04. The investigator asked if PO Feely could identify any of the civilians seen and she said that she did not remember. The investigator played the footage from 08:04 to 10:37. PO Feely pointed out herself, PO Smith, and Sgt. Cussen. The investigator pointed out that an individual on the right side of the frame was also being stopped. PO Feely said, "Oh, I don't remember that." PO Feely also pointed out and said that she was seen frisking him during the footage viewed. PO Feely again said that she did not tell PO Smith to search that she was seen frisking bag and that she did not relay any information to him regarding her suspicions of the investigator recounted that PO Feely had said that she observed for approximately one minute before stopping him and PO Feely said that was correct. The investigator played the video from 07:00 to 08:37 and asked PO Feely to point out when the made the actions that she described seeing. PO Feely did not point any out. After pausing the footage, the investigator asked PO Feely if she saw in the video any of the actions she had attributed to she was also being stopped. The investigator asked PO Feely had stopped somewhere out of sight of the camera and observed while stopped at the light at the corner. She did not know how far away she was at the time. Rep. Scannell asked PO Feely, "So for the record, he's standing by the doorway, looking a bit suspicious, from your perspective?" PO Feely said, "Well, standing in the doorway, looking at every person that comes in and out. I mean, he's holding the door but he has no intention to be in or out. He's, like, in the middle." The investigator pointed out that when he previously asked PO Feely what observations she made of standing in the doorway. She replied, "Well, I didn't remember," and said that the footage had refreshed her recollection. The investigator asked PO Feely what observations she made of the investigator s
could not recall. The investigator let the footage play. It showed a uniformed Marine recruiter speaking to the individual with PO Feely said she did not recall seeing that take place. At approximately 05:30, a man in a UPS NASCAR jacket arrives. PO Feely said she did not recall seeing that take place. At approximately 06:05, exits The investigator asked PO Feely if she saw exit and she said, "No, I was not even looking at him." As the footage played, Rep. Scannell began pointing out that several sets of women could be seen walking past entrance. The investigator asked whether, at 06:19, PO Feely was watching She said, "I can't remember exactly. Like I said, I remember him looking, but I don't remember what woman." PO Feely admitted that she did not recall ever seeing the man in the NASCAR jacket. The investigator asked whether that meant that it was safe to assume that, at 06:35, PO Feely was not observing PO Feely replied, "Well, I don't remember, cause I don't remember. I don't even remember this guy, this gentleman in the black jacket, or them. I don't remember any guys that he was with. I was just focused on him. I remember him clearly but that it's it. That's all I remember."



The investigator played the footage at approximately 08:35, showing the legs and torso of an unidentified officer arriving on the right side of the screen. PO Feely said she had no idea who that officer was and had no independent recollection of there being another male officer on scene.

The investigator played Video #2 from the beginning. At 00:27, the investigator called PO Feely's attention to PO Smith holding his shield in face. PO Feely said she did not recall seeing PO Smith take that action.

Subject Officer: PO DANIEL SONG

- PO Song, an Asian man, 5'8" tall, 180 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes, was 30 years old at the time
 of the incident.
- On March 17, 2015, PO Song was assigned to Anticrime in the 109th Precinct and worked a foot post. He had no partner, was dressed in plainclothes, and worked from 9:30 a.m. to 6:05 p.m.

Memo Book

On March 17, 2015, at approximately 4:40 p.m., PO Song noted that a man was stopped in front of The man was wearing black sweatpants, a black bubble jacket, and Jordan 3 Sporting Blues. He had an inconsistent bulge from his jacket. At 4:45 p.m., PO Song noted that the man was identified as and that he is known to the Department for promoting prostitution, drug sales, robberies, and burglaries. was frisked by PO Smith. At 4:58 p.m., PO Song noted that PO Smith prepared a UF250 report regarding the stop of

CCRB Statement

PO Song was interviewed at the CCRB on July 16, 2015.

On March 17, 2015, PO Song worked on foot in a team of anticrime officers patrolling on Flushing, roughly between . PO Song explained that the area has led New York City in pickpocketing for some time and the anticrime team was tasked with walking the streets in plainclothes and observing suspicious individuals. PO Song specifically mentioned that he was looking for men who followed women and looked into their bags, women who got too close to men carrying bags, and individuals pushing strollers without children. The team did not patrol in vehicles but had vehicles at their disposal in case something like a violent crime occurred. PO Song patrolled alone and did not work with a partner. PO Song was not sure what he was wearing that day but said he might have been dressed in snow pants, a big jacket, and a "goofy hat." PO Song said it was probably cold that day.

In his initial narrative of the incident, PO Song recounted that he observed Sgt. Cussen, PO Feely, and PO Smith stop

He then faced the crowd and performed crowd control because is very busy and congested. The investigator asked if there were any other officers on the team that day and PO Song said there were, but explicitly stated that no other officers beyond those he named were involved in this incident.

PO Song recounted that he was standing on the east side of standard across from Sgt. Cussen and PO Feely approach and also saw PO Smith approaching on He could not recall if any of the officers arrived in a vehicle. PO Song assumed that the officers were "gonna do something," so he crossed the street to join them. He was not called to the scene or notified by radio. When he arrived, PO Song saw that the officers were interacting with PO Song viewed an image of the location from GoogleMaps StreetView and said he believed was standing directly in front of the entrance under awning on the left. PO Song had not been observing prior to seeing the other officers arrive and was not aware of his presence.

The investigator asked if PO Song recognized and he replied, "I know very well."

PO Song knows that nickname is "that he's from the West Coast, that he is a former member of the Bloods gang, and that he is known to carry firearms. PO Song had never stopped or arrested but had casually interacted with him in public. As an example, he said, "Like I'd drive by and say 'Hey and he'd give me the finger." PO Song's knowledge of prior criminal history came from reviewing police documents. PO Song said that Sgt. Cussen, PO Smith, and PO Feely also knew and recognized

PO Song stood near the curb and away from entrance. He directed pedestrians away from the other officers. None of the officers explained to PO Song when he arrived why was being stopped. PO Song believed that Sgt. Cussen first approached but did not know if he spoke to him. Sgt. Cussen then stepped back and PO Smith conducted the stop. PO Song did not know which officer acquired identification. In fact, he stated he was surprised to learn during the CCRB interview that

raising his voice and knew he was agitated and annoyed, but could not hear officers' conversation with him. PO Song was not sure if was with anyone else at the time of the stop. The investigator asked if Sgt. Cussen, PO Feely, or PO Smith stopped anyone else and PO Song replied, "They could have, but like I said, I was kind of watching multiple things at once. I believe Officer Feely did stop somebody, but his information and why she stopped him, obviously I wouldn't know." The investigator later asked PO Song if PO Feely stopped someone else and he said, "I'm not sure. I think there might have been another person there." The investigator asked him to elaborate and he said, "I think she was talking to somebody, but like I said, I don't really remember that." PO Song never saw PO Feely acquire this person's identification or frisk him. He never saw any officer frisk or search the man. He said, "The only encounter I do remember is Officer Feely talking to some male, but I'm not sure exactly what their interaction was." The investigation identified this individual as

The investigator asked if PO Song was able to watch officers' interaction with He replied, "To be honest with you, I kind of struck up a conversation with an unknown male juvenile, and I believe a Marine recruiter, I think. So kind of like, I'm talking with them cause they're kind of inquiring what's going on. And I told them, I don't know, I'm just here to, you know, help them out." The Marine recruiter was in uniform. The unknown juvenile was a young Hispanic man. PO Song learned that the man attended . The investigator asked PO Song to elaborate on his interaction with the man and he replied, "I was just standing there talking to them while this whole interaction was occurring." He recalled that there was some type of testing or final exams going on and he asked the Hispanic juvenile how he did on the tests. PO Song also recounted, "He said he was interested in the Marine Corps. I told him you can't smoke marijuana because the U.S. government tests for that." The investigator asked why PO Song brought up the subject of marijuana and asked if he had any reason to believe the Hispanic juvenile smoked marijuana. PO Song replied, "No, no, no. I was just kind of putting it out there." PO Song described the interaction as "just a random, kind of casual conversation," and said, "I didn't know who he was. I just said you can't, you know, obviously, consume narcotics." PO Song insisted of the Hispanic juvenile, "By no means was he stopped. I was just there speaking to him when this all unfolded."

PO Song referred to his memo book and estimated that the entire stop lasted approximately 25-30 minutes. He during the incident. He never heard could not recall if he ever interacted with Smith's name or shield number and never heard PO Smith refuse to provide that information. He never saw PO Smith put his shield directly in face. He never heard PO Smith use profanity and specifically denied hearing him say, "I don't give a fuck if you make a complaint. I'm not fucking scared of you." He believed PO Smith frisked but denied seeing it take place. He denied seeing any other officer frisk and denied seeing PO Smith or any other officer search him. He believed PO Smith frisked because PO Smith later told him that he had done so. PO Smith told him that he had seen a bulge in jacket and that he stopped him pedigree information and the information about the bulge from because of the bulge. PO Song obtained PO Smith and noted them in his memo book. PO Song did not personally observe the bulge. PO Smith never told PO Song that he suspected of pickpocketing or of something related to the anticrime team's focus that day. When the investigator questioned PO Song about the bulge in jacket, he explained that PO

When the investigator questioned PO Song about the bulge in jacket, he explained that PO Smith told him about it and went on to say, "If Officer Smith say, 'Can you please stop this person,' I'm stopping him. Because that's my—number one, I trust him. Number two." PO Song's representative interjected and said, "But you didn't stop this guy," and PO Song said that he did not.

PO Song was not sure if the Hispanic juvenile, and the Marine recruiter were present for the entire incident. He explicitly stated that no other officers, from the anticrime or otherwise, ever arrived on scene during the incident. He explicitly denied that he stopped anyone during the incident, acquired anyone's identification, frisked anyone, or searched anyone. He did not create any UF250 reports in connection to the incident.

PO Song viewed surveillance video footage of the incident. He viewed Video #1 from 08:24 to 10:34. The investigator asked if PO Song saw himself in the footage and he said he did not. The investigator asked if he ever wore a baseball hat while dressed in plainclothes. PO Song said he did not, and that he wore a knitted hat in the

winter. He tries to blend in and does not wear clothing that stands out, such as Timberland boots, blue jeans, or a hoodie. He usually wears ski pants. The investigator pointed out Sgt. Cussen, PO Smith, and PO Feely, and also pointed out a fourth officer on the right of the frame who is obscured.

PO Song viewed Video #2 from 11:22 to 11:36. The investigator paused the video at 11:36 and pointed out the officer who emerges from the right and appears to be wearing a baseball hat with an orange brim. The investigator asked if PO Song recognized that officer as himself and he said, "No. I wouldn't have a hat like that." The investigator asked if the incident shown in the video footage was the incident PO Song had described in his interview and he confirmed that it was. The investigator asked if PO Song was visible in the video footage and he replied, "I guess not. I was, like I said, I was more towards this side." PO Song gestured out of frame to the right. The investigator reminded PO Song that he previously said that Sgt. Cussen, PO Smith, and PO Feely were the only other officers present and asked if he knew the identity of the officer seen emerging from the right at 11:36. PO Song said he did not know who that officer was. The investigator asked if PO Song recalled there being any other officers present and he said, "To be honest with you, I don't." His representative again asked him if he recognized the officer pictured and PO Song reiterated that he did not. The investigator asked PO Song which other officers were working on the anticrime team that day and he said PO Galvani and PO Ricci. The investigator produced the roll call and asked PO Song if he recalled PO Hamid working on the team that day. PO Song said he did not. The investigator asked if he recalled PO Stapleton working on the team that day and he said, "He could have. I'm not sure." The investigator asked PO Song if he recalled PO Kim working on the team that day and he said, "I don't actually, to tell you the truth." PO Song described PO Ricci and PO Stapleton as white men, PO Galvani as a black woman, PO Kim as a Korean man, and PO Hamid as a Pakistani man. The investigator once again asked, "So as far as you can recall, the only other officers on scene with you at this incident were Feely, Smith, and Cussen?" PO Song replied, "I believe so." The investigator paused the video at 11:38 and called PO Song's attention to the two young men seen entering The investigator asked if PO Song recognized either of the men as being the Hispanic juvenile he spoke to with the Marine recruiter. PO Song replied, "No I don't, actually." The investigator asked if he recognized either of them as being the man to whom PO Feely was speaking during the incident. PO Song replied, "I don't, actually."



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[INSERT D/C INFO]

Re: [INSERT CASE NAME]

Kings County Dkt./Ind. No. [#######]

In connection with the above-named case, the People voluntarily provide the following information regarding:

MOS NAME: DANIEL SONG

MOS TAX:

in satisfaction (to the extent applicable) of their constitutional, statutory, and ethical obligations. Further, the People reserve the right to move <u>in limine</u> to preclude reference to this information, or otherwise to object to its use and/or introduction into evidence.

Disclosure # 1:

THE NYPD SUBSTANTIATED THE FOLLOWING ALLEGATION, DATED 05/29/2012, AGAINST MOS SONG: ALLEGATION:

 FAILED TO MAKE ACTIVITY LOG ENTRIES REGARDING HIS PARTICIPATION IN AN INCIDENT CASE STATUS: CLOSED ON 11/26/2013

ACTION TAKEN: SCHEDULE B COMMAND DISCIPLINE, WARNED AND ADMONISHED

Disclosure # 2:

NYPD SUBSTANTIATED THE FOLLOWING ALLEGATION AGAINST MOS ARISING OUT OF AN INCIDENT ON 02/15/2014:

ALLEGATION:

1. FAIL TO TAKE/ MAKE REPORT

ACTION TAKEN: LETTER OF INSTRUCTION ISSUED

Disclosure # 3:

MOS SONG ENTERED A PLEA TO FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTAL CHARGES ARISING OUT OF AN INCIDENT ON MARCH 17, 2015 AT APPROXIAMTELY 1640 HOURS IN QUEENS COUNTY, WHILE MOS WAS ON DUTY AND ASSIGNED TO THE 109^{TH} PRECINCT:

- MOS SONG ABUSED HIS AUTHORITY AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THAT HE STOPPED AN INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHOUT SUFFICIENT LEGAL AUTHORITY.
- MOS SONG ABUSED HIS AUTHORITY AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THAT HE FRISKED SAID INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHOUT SUFFICIENT LEGAL AUTHORITY.
- MOS SONG ABUSED HIS AUTHORITY AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN

THAT HE SEARCHED SAID INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHOUT SUFFICIENT LEGAL AUTHORITY.

CASE STATUS: CLOSED ON 06/08/2018

ACTION TAKEN: FORFEITURE OF FIVE (5) VACATION DAYS

Disclosure # 4:

MOS ENTERED A PLEA TO FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTAL CHARGES ARISING OUT OF TWO INCIDENTS ON JULY 16, 2015 AND FEBRUARY 23, 2016, BOTH WHILE MOS WAS ON DUTY AND ASSIGNED TO THE 109TH PRECINCT:

- MOS SONG DID ENGAGE IN CONDUCT PREJUDICIAL TO THE GOOD ORDER, EFFICIENCY OR DISCIPLINE
 OF THE DEPARTMENT, IN THAT SAID MOS DID MAKE FALSE AND INACCURATE/ MISLEADING
 STATEMENTS DURING A CIVILIAN COMPLAINT REVIEW BOARD INTERVIEW.
- 2. MOS SONG DID IMPEDE AN OFFICIAL DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATION IN THAT SAID MOS DID GIVE INACCURATE AND MISLEADING STATEMENTS TO QUESTIONS ASKED OF HIM DURING SAID INTERVIEW. CASE STATUS: CLOSED ON 05/03/2018

ACTION TAKEN: MOS SONG WAS PLACED ON DISMISSAL PROBATION FOR ONE YEAR AND FORFEITED THIRTY (30) VACATION DAYS.

BASED UPON CCRB DOCUMENTS UP TO DATE THROUGH FEBRUARY 2, 2021 THE PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING CCRB SUBSTANTIATED AND/OR PENDING ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THIS OFFICER:

Disclosure # 5:

CCRB CASE: 201207715 REPORT DATE: 6/14/2012 INCIDENT DATE: 5/29/2012

CCRB SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATION(S):

1. ABUSE - FRISK

2. ABUSE - SEARCH OF PERSON

3. ABUSE - STOP

NYPD DISPOSITION: FORMAL INSTRUCTIONS

OTHER MISCONDUCT NOTED:

1. FAILURE TO PREPARE A MEMO BOOK ENTRY

Disclosure # 6:

CCRB CASE: 201501953 REPORT DATE: 3/17/2015 INCIDENT DATE: 3/17/2015

CCRB SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATION(S):

1. ABUSE - FRISK

2. ABUSE - SEARCH OF PERSON

3. ABUSE - STOP

NYPD DISPOSITION: FORFEIT 5 VACATION DAYS

OTHER MISCONDUCT NOTED:

1. FAILURE TO PRODUCE STOP AND FRISK REPORT

2. FALSE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

DISPOSITION OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS:

COMMAND PREF'D DATE OF PRESENT CHARGES 10-CASE TAX NO. CHARGES COMMAND RANK NAME 11/17/2010 109 PCT. 9357 IAB 2010-3128 CORY SMITH

SPECIFICATIONS/DISPOSITIONS

- 1. FAILED TO PREPARE PROPERTY CLERK INVOICE REGARDING INVESTIGATORY/FOUND PROPERTY. GUILTY
- FAILED TO SAFEGUARD PROPERTY. GUILTY
- 3. FAILED TO NOTIFY DEPARTMENT OF MISCONDUCT OF OTHER MEMBERS OF SERVICE. GUILTY
- 4. OMITTED ENTRIES IN ACTIVITY LOG REGARDING A POLICE INCIDENT. GUILTY
- 5. FAILED TO PROPERLY SEND RADIO TRANSMISSION AND ENSURE COMPLAINT REPORT WAS ENTERED INTO COMPLAINT SYSTEM IN A TIMELY FASHION. GUILTY
- 6. INTERFERED WITH AN OFFICIAL DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATION. GUILTY
- 7. MADE FALSE STATEMENTS DURING A DEPARTMENT INTERVIEW. GUILTY
- 8. WRONGFULLY OFFERED TO LET INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT KEEP PROPERTY THAT WAS FOUND PROPERTY AND/OR INVESTIGATORY EVIDENCE. GUILTY

<u>PENALTY:</u>
Dismissal from the New York City Police Department; however, judgment is suspended and respondent will be placed on Dismissal Probation for a period of one (1) year. Forfeiture of thirty (30) suspension days, thirty (30) vacation days.

2008-267 DTS

ANTHONY MUNROE

9000

110 PCT.

OCCB

10/24/2008

SPECIFICATIONS/DISPOSITIONS

- I. WRONGFULLY UTILIZED A DEPARTMENT VEHICLE AND A DEPARTMENT ISSUED E-Z PASS FOR PERSONAL USE. GUILTY
- 2. WHILE UTILIZING A DEPARTMENT VEHICLE FOR PERSONAL USE FAILED TO MAKE AN ENTRY IN VEHICLE UTILIZATION LOG FOR SAID USE. GUILTY
- 3. ABSENT FROM ASSIGNMENT WITHOUT PERMISSION. GUILTY
- 4. FAILED TO SUBMIT A CIVILIAN COMPLAINT REVIEW BOARD APPEARANCE SLIP UPON RETURN TO COMMAND. GUILTY
- 5. FAILED TO MAINTAIN ACTIVITY LOG WHILE ON DUTY. GUILTY
- 6. FAILED TO MAKE PROPER NOTIFICATIONS REGARDING MEMBER OF SERVICE'S MOVEMENT. GUILTY
 PENALTY:

 DATE OF DISPOSITION: 12/05/2011

Forfeiture of thirty (30) suspension days.

2010-3082 DTS

TIMOTHY DUFFY

8991

PCO LIAISON IAB

11/03/2010

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SPECIFICATION/DISPOSITION

 WRONGFULLY POSSESSED A DUPLICATE 2008 RESTRICTED PARKING PERMIT AND GAVE SAID PERMIT TO A NON MEMBER OF THE SERVICE TO UTILIZE. GUILTY

<u>PENALTY:</u>
Forfeiture of twenty-one (21) pre-trial suspension days.

DATE OF DISPOSITION:

12/05/2011