

BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST)
FINGERPRINT TECHNICIAN CHARLENE BONONES,) CASE #0b-2444
EMPLOYEE #060785, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,)
CITY OF CHICAGO,) C. R. #254969
)
RESPONDENT.)

FINDINGS AND DECISION

On January 9, 2001, the Superintendent of Police filed charges with the Police Board of the City of Chicago, seeking the separation of Fingerprint Technician **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee #060785, hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Respondent" for violation of the following rules:

RULE 1 - "Violation of any law or ordinance."

RULE 2 - "Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department."

RULE 8 - "Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty."

RULE 9 - "Engaging in an unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty."

The Police Board of the City of Chicago caused a hearing on these charges against Fingerprint Technician, **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee #060785 to be heard by **JACQUELINE A. WALKER**, Hearing Officer of the Police Board of the City of Chicago, on April 17, 2001. Following the Hearing, the members of the Police Board read and reviewed the certified transcription of the proceedings of the hearing.

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JACQUELINE A. WALKER, Hearing Officer made an oral report and conferred with the Police Board before it rendered a decision.

As a result of the foregoing, the Police Board of the City of Chicago finds and determines that:

- (1) The Respondent was, at all times mentioned herein, a Fingerprint Technician employed by the Department of Police of the City of Chicago;
- (2) The charges were filed, in writing, and a Notice, stating the time, date and place, when and where a hearing in the charges was to be held, together with a copy of the original charges were served upon the Respondent more than five (5) days prior to the hearing on the charges;
- (3) Throughout the hearing, the Respondent did not appear in person and was not represented by legal counsel;
- (4) The Respondent, Fingerprint Technician **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee #060785, as charged herein, is guilty of violating, to-wit:

RULE 1 - "Violation of any law or ordinance", in the following instances:

A. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 2900 West 69th Street, while off duty, she was involved in a property damage accident and left the scene without exchanging any information with the other party involved in the accident, in violation of Chapter 625 ILCS 5/11-402 and/or 11-403.

B. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 3000 West 69th Street, while off duty, she committed the offense of Aggravated Battery, in that after Police Officer Yvonne Danzy identified herself as a Police Officer, she struck Police Officer Danzy

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with her vehicle while fleeing the scene of an accident, in violation of Chapter 720 ILCS 5/12-4.

C. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she committed the offense of Fleeing and/or Eluding, in that she failed to stop for a marked police vehicle whose emergency equipment was activated, and/or attempted to drive over a curb, when Police Officer Mark Metelski signaled from the vehicle, in violation of Chapter 625 ILCS 5/11-204.

D. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she committed the offense of Aggravated Battery, in that she bit Police Officer Mark Metelski one or more times, while he was attempting to arrest her, in violation of Chapter 720 ILCS 5/12-4.

E. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 83rd Street and Central Avenue, while off duty, she committed the offense of Aggravated Battery, in that she struck Police Officer Kenneth Dangman with her vehicle, while he was attempting to arrest her, in violation of Chapter 720 ILCS 5/12-4.

(5) The Respondent, Fingerprint Technician **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee #060785 as charged herein, is guilty of violating, to-wit:

RULE 2 - “Any action or conduct which impedes the Department’s efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department”, in the following instances:

A. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 2900 West 69th Street, while off

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duty, she was involved in a property damage accident and left the scene without exchanging any information with the other party involved in the accident, in violation of Chapter 625 ILCS 5/11-402 and/or 11-403.

B. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 3000 West 69th Street, while off duty, she committed the offense of Aggravated Battery, in that after Police Officer Yvonne Danzy identified herself as a Police Officer, she struck Police Officer Danzy with her vehicle while fleeing the scene of an accident, in violation of Chapter 720 ILCS 5/12-4.

C. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she committed the offense of Fleeing and/or Eluding, in that she failed to stop for a marked police vehicle whose emergency equipment was activated, and/or attempted to drive over a curb, when Police Officer Mark Metelski signaled from the vehicle, in violation of Chapter 625 ILCS 5/11-204.

D. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she committed the offense of Aggravated Battery, in that she bit Police Officer Mark Metelski one or more times, while he was attempting to arrest her, in violation of Chapter 720 ILCS 5/12-4.

E. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 83rd Street and Central Avenue, while off duty, she committed the offense of Aggravated Battery, in that she struck Police Officer Kenneth Dangman with her vehicle, while he was attempting to arrest her, in violation of Chapter 720 ILCS 5/12-4.

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(6) The Respondent, Fingerprint Technician **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee # 060785 as charged herein, is **guilty** of violating, to-wit:

RULE 8 - "Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty", in the following instances:

A. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 3000 West 69th Street, while off duty, she mistreated and/or disrespected Police Officer Yvonne Danzy in that she struck Police Officer Danzy with her vehicle.

B. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she mistreated and/or disrespected Police Officer Mark Metelski, in that she failed to stop for a marked police vehicle whose emergency equipment was activated, and/or attempted to drive over a curb, when Police Officer Mark Metelski signaled from the vehicle.

C. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she mistreated and/or disrespected Police Officer Mark Metelski when she bit Police Officer Mark Metelski one or more times.

D. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 83rd Street and Central Avenue, while off duty, she mistreated and/or disrespected Police Officer Kenneth Dangman, in that she struck Police Officer Kenneth Dangman with her vehicle.

(7) The Respondent, Fingerprint Technician **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee #060785 as charged herein is **guilty** of violating, to-wit:

RULE 9 - "Engaging in an unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty",

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in the following instances:

A. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 3000 West 69th Street, while off duty, she engaged in an unjustified verbal and/or physical altercation with Police Officer Yvonne Danzy, in that she struck Police Officer Danzy with her vehicle.

B. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she engaged in an unjustified verbal and/or physical altercation with Police Officer Mark Metelski, in that she failed to stop for a marked police vehicle whose emergency equipment was activated, and/or attempted to drive over a curb, when Police Officer Mark Metelski signaled from the vehicle.

C. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 79th Street and Kilpatrick Avenue, while off duty, she engaged in an unjustified verbal and/or physical altercation with Police Officer Mark Metelski, in that she bit Police Officer Mark Metelski one or more times.

D. On or about July 9, 1999, at or near 83rd Street and Central Avenue, while off duty, she engaged in an unjustified verbal and/or physical altercation with Police Officer Kenneth Dangman, in that she struck Police Officer Kenneth Dangman with her vehicle.

BY REASON of the findings of fact and of guilty herein, cause exists for the separation and discharge of Respondent, Fingerprint Technician **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee #060785 from the Department of Police and from the services of

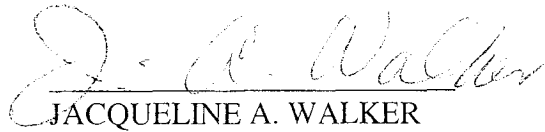
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the City of Chicago.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. A. Walker", is written over a horizontal line.

JACQUELINE A. WALKER

Hearing Officer

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DECISION

The members of the Police Board, having read and reviewed the certified copy of the transcription of the hearing, having received the oral report of the Hearing Officer, JACQUELINE A. WALKER, and having conferred with the Hearing Officer on the credibility of the witnesses and the evidence, hereby adopt all findings herein and, in reaching its decision as to the penalty imposed, the Board has taken into account not only the facts of this case but also the respondent's complimentary and disciplinary history, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and;

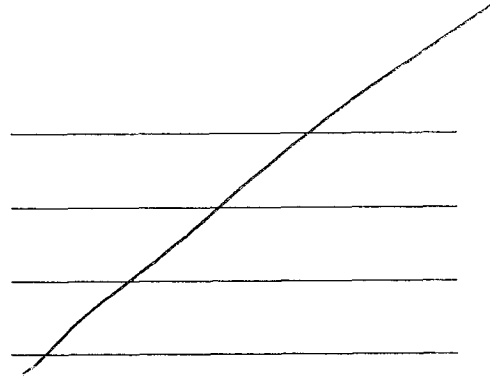
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the respondent, Fingerprint Technician **CHARLENE BONONES**, Employee # 060785, as a result of having been found guilty of the charges in Police Board Case 01-2444, is hereby separated and discharged from her position as a Fingerprint Technician, and from the services of the City of Chicago.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 15th DAY OF MAY, 2001.

James E. Carr
Sup. Davis
Vito Longo
Rev Johnny L. Miller
Patricia C. Boob
John J. ...
William G. ...
Theresa ...
Michael ...
Executive Director, Police Board

DISSENT

The following members of the Police Board hereby dissent from the decision of
the majority of the Police Board.



RECEIVED A COPY OF THE FOREGOING COMMUNICATION

THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2001.

SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE

INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION
RECORDS SECTION

30 March 2000

TO:

COMMANDING OFFICER OF UNIT 121

FROM:

RECORDS SECTION
INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

SUBJECT:

PREVIOUS DISCIPLINARY RECORD OF:

BONONES CHARLENE CIV. 166
NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.) STAR UNIT

F W
SEX RACE S.S.N.

REFERENCE:

COMPLAINT REGISTER NUMBER(S) 254 969

THE PREVIOUS DISCIPLINARY RECORD OF THE SUBJECT ACCUSED HAS BEEN REQUESTED IN YOUR NAME BY:

P.O PAUL CICHOWSKI 4163 121 GIS
RANK NAME STAR S.S.N. UNIT

RELATIVE TO A SUSTAINED FINDING IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THE ABOVE REFERENCED COMPLAINT REGISTER NUMBER.

THE RECORDS SECTION, INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION, DISCLOSES THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINARY ACTION(S) ADMINISTERED TO THE SUBJECT ACCUSED, FOR THE PAST FIVE (5) YEARS.

VERIFIED/PREPARED BY

SEE

D.E.O. PATRICIA JOHNSON

FOR: COMMANDING OFFICER
RECORDS SECTION
INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

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Ex. A

DISCIPLINARY ACTION SUMMARY FUNCTION
NO MORE CLOSED - SUSTAINED CR'S (PAST 5 YEARS) OR SP (PAST 1 YEAR)
SSN [REDACTED] NAME: LAST BONONES FIRST CHARLENE MI STAR
UNIT 166 EMP NO 060785 SEX F RACE X DOB 27 JAN 53 DATE APPTD 26 JAN 76
RANK 9214 FINGERPRINT TECH 1
INCIDENT DISCIPLINARY DATES SUSPENDED OR WORKED OPTN/TD
C NO DATE ACTION TAKEN (FROM - TO) GRNT'D

C244495 05 APR 98 **PENALTY NOT SERVED

F/CAT: OPERATION/PERSONNEL VIOLATION: LEAVING ASGMT (DIST/BEAT/SECT/CT)
LESS SER TRAN:

COMMENTS ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE EFFECTIVE 15 JUN 98 STATUS CLO

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