BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST) OFFICER DAVID DISANTI, STAR #10838) NO. 03-2515 DEPARTMENT OF POLICE, CITY OF) CR 267497 CHICAGO)

FINDINGS & DECISION

On June 18, 2003, the Superintendent of Police filed charges with the Police Board of the City of Chicago against Officer David DiSanti, Star#10838, (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Respondent") for violating the following Rules:

- <u>Rule 2</u>: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.
- <u>Rule 6</u>: Disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral.
- <u>Rule 10</u>: Inattention to duty

The Police Board of the City of Chicago caused a hearing on these charges against Officer David DiSanti to be had before Michael G. Berland, Hearing Officer of the Police Board of the City of Chicago on November 17, 2003, November 19, 2003, and November 25, 2003.

Following the hearing, the members of the Police Board read and reviewed the certified transcription of the proceedings of the hearing. Michael G. Berland, Hearing Officer, made an oral report and conferred with the Police Board before it rendered a decision.

The Police Board of the City of Chicago, as a result of its investigation of the charges, finds and determines that:

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 a Police Officer 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 of the charges was to be held, together with a copy of the original charges, was served upon the Respondent more than five (5) days prior to the hearing on the charges.

3. Throughout the hearing the Respondent was represented by legal counsel of his own choosing.

4. The hearing was conducted before Michael G. Berland, Hearing Officer of the Police Board of the City of Chicago, on November 17, 2003, November 19, 2003, and November 25, 2003.

5. The Respondent Officer David DiSanti, Star#10838, charged herein, contrary to the Rules and Regulations, is <u>guilty</u> of violating, to wit:

<u>Rule 2</u>: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.

A. On or about November 3, 2000, from about 1550 hours to about 1755 hours, or for some period of time therein, Police Officer David DiSanti failed to take reasonable efforts to protect the health and safety of Juan Vega, in that he failed to transport Mr. Vega to a hospital facility in a timely manner, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals and/or bringing discredit upon the department.

7. The Respondent Officer David DiSanti, Star#10838, charged herein, contrary to the Rules and Regulations, is <u>guilty</u> of violating, to wit:

<u>Rule 6</u>: Disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral.

A. On or about November 3, 2000, from about 1550 hours to about 1755 hours, or for some period of time therein, Officer David DiSanti disobeyed General Order 92-1-11 (111) by failing to make every reasonable effort to protect the health and safety of Juan Vega, in that he failed to transport Mr. Vega to a hospital facility in a timely manner.

8. The Respondent Officer David DiSanti, Star\$10838, charged herein, contrary to the Rules and Regulations, is <u>guilty</u> of violating, to wit:

<u>Rule 10</u>: Inattention to duty

A. On or about November 3, 2000, from about 1550 hours to about 1755 hours, or for some period of time therein, Police Officer David DiSanti failed to make every reasonable effort to protect the health and safety of Juan Vega. in that he failed to transport Mr. Vega to a hospital facility in a timely manner, thereby being inattentive to duty.

9. The Police Board admitted the deposition testimony of Ingrid Monroe contained in Department Exhibit 5 (a) into evidence over the objection of Respondents' counsel but determined that Officers DiSanti and Ranzzoni did not go to the Golden Nugget for dinner while Juan Vega was in their custody.

By reason of the fact that Officer David DiSanti is guilty

of violating Rules 2, 6 and 10 of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department cause exists for the suspension of Officer David DiSanti from his position with the Department of Police and from the services of the City of Chicago from June 19, 2003 to and including January 31, 2004 with restoration of all rights and benefits thereafter.

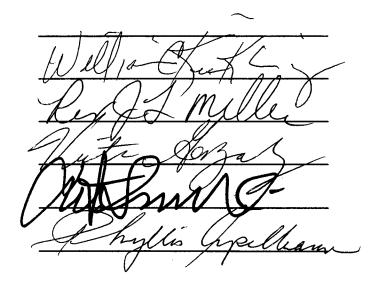
Respectfully submitted, Michael G. Berland, Hearing Officer

DECISION

The members of the Police Board, having read and reviewed the certified copy of the transcription of the hearing, having viewed the videotapes of the hearing, having received the oral report of the Hearing Officer, Michael G. Berland, 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, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Respondent, Police Officer David DiSanti, Star # 10838, as a result of having been found guilty of the charges in Police Board Case No. 03-2515, is hereby suspended from his position as a Police Officer, and from the services of the City of Chicago, from June 19, 2003, to and including **January 31, 2004**.

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Executive Director, Police Board

DISSENT

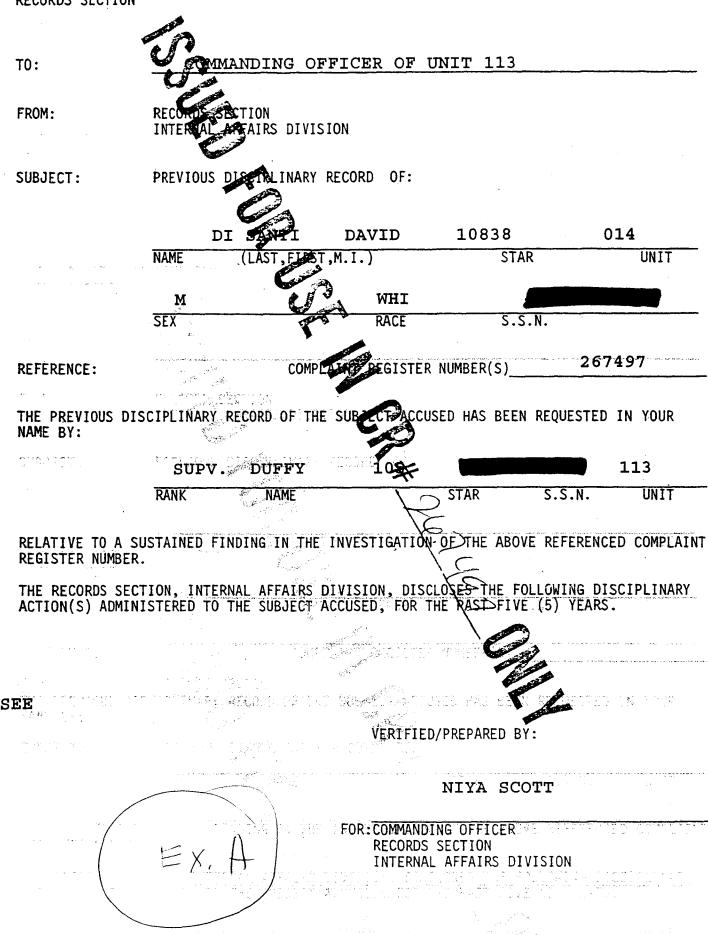
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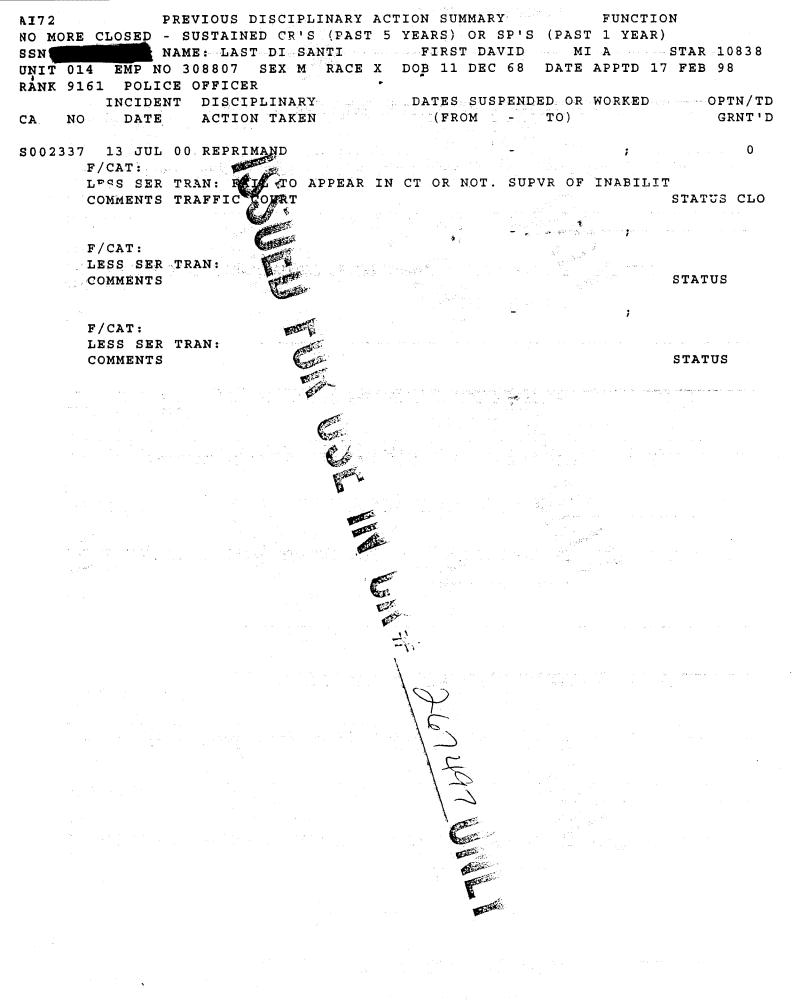
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