

BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST)
POLICE OFFICER SHELISA JONES,) No. 06 PB 2594
STAR No. 16814, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,)
CITY OF CHICAGO,)
RESPONDENT) (CR No. 286175)

FINDINGS

On February 24, 2006, the Superintendent of Police filed with the Police Board of the City of Chicago charges against Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Respondent"), seeking her discharge for violating the following rules:

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 14: Making a false report, written or oral.

The Police Board caused a hearing on these charges against Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814, to be had before Thomas E. Johnson, Hearing Officer of the Police Board, on September 26 and October 4, 2006.

Following the hearing, the members of the Police Board read and reviewed the certified transcription of the hearing and viewed the video-recording of the hearing. Hearing Officer Johnson made an oral report to and conferred with the Police Board before it rendered a decision.

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

1. The Respondent was at all times mentioned herein employed as a police officer 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. The hearing was conducted before Thomas E. Johnson, Hearing Officer of the Police Board, on September 26 and October 4, 2006.

4. Throughout the hearing the Respondent was present and was represented by legal counsel.

5. The Respondent, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814, charged herein, is **not 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.

Count I: There was insufficient evidence presented by the Superintendent to prove that on or about December 5, 2002, in the vicinity of 8645 South Blackstone Avenue, Chicago, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, while off-duty, shot Jerome Michael Sajna without justification.

Count III: There was insufficient evidence presented by the Superintendent to prove that on or about March 26, 2003, during a statement at the Office of Professional Standards, Police Officer Shelisa Jones provided a false account of the circumstances surrounding the shooting of Jerome Michael Sajna on December 5, 2002.

6. The Respondent, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814, 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.

Count II: On or about December 5, 2002, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, during one or more interviews with Chicago Police Department personnel, provided a false account regarding one or more phone calls that she made to the Office of Emergency Communications.

7. The Respondent, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814, charged herein, is **guilty** of violating, to wit:

Rule 14: Making a false report, written or oral.

Count I: On or about December 5, 2002, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, during one or more interviews with Chicago Police Department personnel, provided a false account regarding one or more phone calls that she made to the Office of Emergency Communications.

8. The Respondent, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814, charged herein, is **not guilty** of violating, to wit:

Rule 14: Making a false report, written or oral.

Count II: There was insufficient evidence presented by the Superintendent to prove that on or about March 26, 2003, during a statement at the Office of Professional Standards, Police Officer Shelisa Jones provided a false account of the circumstances surrounding the shooting of Jerome Michael Sajna on December 5, 2002.

By reason of the findings of fact that the Respondent, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814, is guilty of count II of violating Rule 2 and count I of violating Rule 14, and not guilty of counts I and III of violating Rule 2 and count II of violating Rule 14, cause exists for suspending the Respondent from her position as a police officer with the Department of

Police, and from the services of the City of Chicago, for a period from March 1, 2006, to and including March 30, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T.E. Johnson', written over a horizontal line.

THOMAS E. JOHNSON
Hearing Officer

DECISION

The Police Board of the City of Chicago, having read and reviewed the certified transcription of the hearing, having viewed the video-recording of the hearing, having received the oral report of the Hearing Officer, Thomas E. Johnson, and having conferred with the Hearing Officer on the credibility of the witnesses and the evidence, hereby adopts 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 histories, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Respondent, Police Officer Shelisa Jones, Star No. 16814, as a result of having been found **guilty** of charges in Police Board Case No. 06 PB 2594, be and hereby is **suspended** from her position as a police officer, and from the services of the City of Chicago, for a period from 01 March 2006 to and including 30 March 2006.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 16th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2006.

Scott D. Duggan
Walter J. Grogan
John J. ...
Richard ...
Res. ...

Attested by:

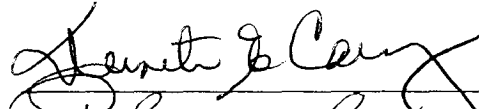
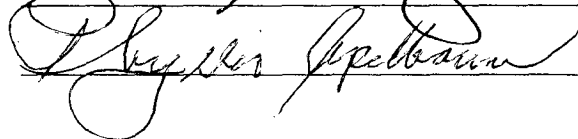
Max A. Caproni

Executive Director
Police Board

DISSENT

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

The undersigned voted to find the Respondent guilty of all charges and to impose a penalty of discharge.

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THE FOREGOING COMMUNICATION

THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2006.

SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE

**INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION
RECORDS SECTION**

19 SEPT. 2003

TO: COMMANDING OFFICER UNIT 113
FROM: RECORDS SECTION
INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION
SUBJECT: PREVIOUS SUSTAINED DISCIPLINARY HISTORY OF:

JONES SHELISA	16954	284
NAME (LAST, FIRST M.I.)	STAR	UNIT
F	BLK	
SEX	RACE	S.S.N.

REFERENCE: COMPLAINT REGISTER NUMBER 286 175

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

SUPV.	CROSBY	114		113
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 ADMINISTERED TO THE SUBJECT ACCUSED FOR THE PAST FIVE (5) YEARS.

VERIFIED/PREPARED BY:

PATRICIA JOHNSON

FOR: COMMANDING OFFICER
RECORDS SECTION
INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

SEE ATTACHED

CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT Sustained Complaints History Report

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<u>Social Sec. #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Star #</u>	<u>Emp. #</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>
[REDACTED]	JONES SHELISA M.	16814	306228	9161	POLICE OFFICER	097
<u>Sex</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Appointed Date</u>	<u>No. Of CR's</u>	<u>No. Of SPAR's</u>	
F	BLACK	21-MAY-1970	10-JUL-1995	1	1	

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Incident Date</u>	<u>Suspension Dates</u>	<u>Disciplinary Action Taken</u>	<u>Final Category</u>	<u>Less Serious Transgression</u>
C 253409	01-MAY-1999	01-AUG-2000	2 DAY SUSPENSION	10B-MEDICAL ROLL	
<u>Civil Suit #</u>		02-AUG-2000	<u>Police Board #</u>		
<u>Comments</u>	GRIEVANCE#284-00-004 3 DAYS HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 2 DAYS				

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S024191	02-OCT-2002		REPRIMAND		005-COURT APPEARANCE VIOLATION
<u>Civil Suit #</u>			<u>Police Board #</u>		
<u>Comments</u>	TRAFFIC				

ISSUED FOR USE IN CR# 286175

COMPLIMENTARY HISTORY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>SSN</u>	<u>Star</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Detail Unit</u>
JONES SHELISA	9161	[REDACTED]	16814	007	

HONORABLE MENTIONS

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COMPLIMENTARY LETTERS

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DEPT. COMMENDATIONS

AWARD NUMBER:

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OTHER AWARDS:

SPECIAL AWARDS:

Jr. Chamber . of Comm	0	Unit Meritorious	0	Fitness Award	0
Rich. J Daley Award	0	Lambert Tree	0	Appearance Award	0
Police Medal	0	Carter Harrison	0	Special Commendation	0
Supt. Awd of Valor	0	WGN Award	0	Partnership Award	0
Awd of Merit	0	Honored Police Star	0	Special Serv. Award	0
Police Blue Star	0	Life Saving Awd	0	Problem Solving Awd	0
Officer of The Month	0	Hnd Cld Med. of Val	0	Blue Shield Awd	0

Complimentary History Requested By:

NAME CROSBY DENNIS OPS SUPERVISOR STAR: 00114 UNIT: 113

Completed by:

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