

**BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST ) POLICE OFFICER DANTE WALKER, ) STAR No. 18396, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE, ) CITY OF CHICAGO, )  RESPONDENT )</b>	<b>No. 09 PB 2710   (CR No. 313961)</b>
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**FINDINGS**

On March 6, 2009, the Superintendent of Police filed with the Police Board of the City of Chicago charges against Police Officer Dante Walker, Star No. 18396 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Respondent"), recommending that the Respondent be discharged from the Chicago Police Department for violating the following Rules of Conduct:

- 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 4:** Any conduct or action taken to use the official position for personal gain or influence.
- Rule 14:** Making a false report, written or oral.
- Rule 47:** Associating or fraternizing with any person known to have been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor, either State or Federal, excluding traffic and municipal ordinance violations.

The Police Board caused a hearing on these charges against Police Officer Dante Walker to be had before Thomas E. Johnson, Hearing Officer of the Police Board, on August 13, September 11, October 1, and October 21, 2009.

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

The Police Board of the City of Chicago, 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, were served upon the Respondent more than five (5) days prior to the hearing on the charges.

3. The Respondent appeared in person throughout the hearing and was represented by legal counsel.

4. The Respondent, Police Officer Dante Walker, Star No. 18396, 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 that:

Count I: On or about February 23, 2006, he used his official position for personal gain by using his City of Chicago Police Department User Identification and Password to access the Arrestee History Report and/or Criminal Report of Breanna Smith, also known as Nadia Smith, thereby bringing discredit upon the Department.

Count II: On or about July 6, 2007, at the Office of Professional Standards (now known as the Independent Police Review Authority), located at or near 10 West 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, he made false statements to Investigator Alice Chico when he denied knowing that Nadia Smith was a convicted felon, thereby bringing discredit upon the Department.

Count III: On or about July 6, 2007, at the Office of Professional Standards (now known as the Independent Police Review Authority), located at or near 10 West 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, he made false statements to Investigator Alice Chico when he denied obtaining Nadia Smith's Criminal History and/or Arrestee History, thereby bringing discredit upon the Department.

Count IV: From in or about November of 2004 through in or about May of 2007, or for some period of time therein, he associated with Nadia Smith, an individual he knew to be convicted of one or more felonies, thereby bringing discredit upon the Department.

5. The Respondent, Police Officer Dante Walker, Star No. 18396, charged herein, is **guilty** of violating, to wit:

Rule 4: Any conduct or action taken to use the official position for personal gain or influence,

in that:

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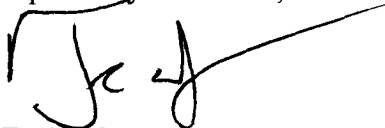
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By reason of the findings of fact and guilt set forth herein, cause exists for the discharge of the Respondent, Police Officer Dante Walker, Star No. 18396, from his position as a police officer with the Department of Police, and from the services of the City of Chicago.

Respectfully submitted,



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THOMAS E. JOHNSON  
Hearing Officer

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**DECISION**

The Police Board of the City of Chicago, having read and reviewed the record of proceedings in this case, having viewed the video-recording of the testimony of the witnesses, 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 Dante Walker, Star No. 18396, as a result of having been found **guilty** of charges in Police Board Case No. 09 PB 2710, be and hereby is **discharged** from his position as a police officer with the Department of Police, and from the services of the City of Chicago.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009.

*Demetrius Can*  
*Scott Davis*  
*Patricia C. Cobb*  
*V. L. St. Louis*  
*D. M. J.*  
*Phyllis Applebaum*

Attested by:

*Max A. Caproni*

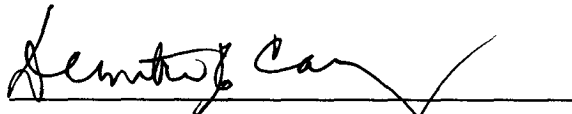

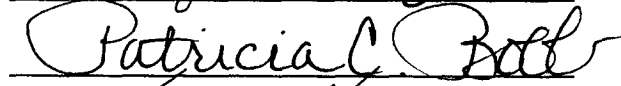


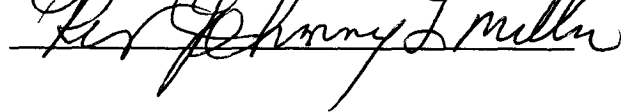
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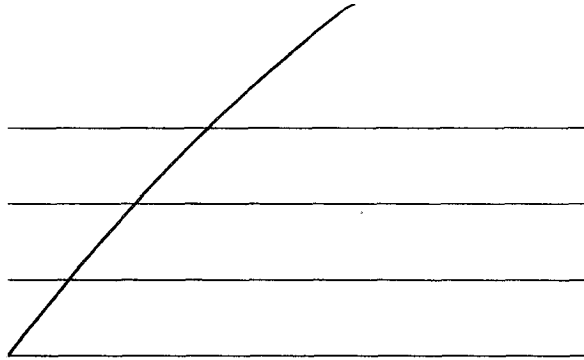
Attested by:

*M. A. Caproni*

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Executive Director  
Police Board

**DISSENT**

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



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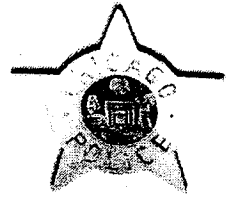
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SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE

Report Date: 18 Sep 2007  
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# Chicago Police Department

## Personnel Division



Information Services Division  
Data Warehouse  
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### Complimentary History

Name	File	Star	Unit	Detail Unit	Emp Num
WALKER, DANIEL S	9161	18396	151		36412

### Achievements

### Total No.

HONORABLE MENTION
UNIT MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCE AWARD

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## INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

18 SEPT 2007

## RECORDS SECTION

TO: COMMANDING OFFICER OF UNIT 113FROM: RECORDS SECTION  
INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

SUBJECT: PREVIOUS DISCIPLINARY RECORD OF:

<u>WALKER DANTE</u>	<u>18396</u>	<u>151</u>
NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)	STAR	UNIT

<u>M</u>	<u>BLK</u>	<u>36412</u>
SEX	RACE	EMP#

REFERENCE: COMPLAINT REGISTER NUMBER (S) 313 961  
THE PREVIOUS DISCIPLINARY RECORD OF THE SUBJECT ACCUSED HAS BEEN REQUESTED IN  
YOUR NAME BY:

<u>SUP. STOUTENBOROUGH</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>53338</u>	<u>113</u>
RANK NAME	STAR	EMP#	UNIT

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

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

VERIFIED/PREPARED BY:

FOR: S.D.E.O. Patricia JOHNSON  
COMMANDING OFFICER  
RECORDS SECTION  
INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

See Att'd CR History

**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>
██████████	WALKER DANTE S.	18396	36412	9161	POLICE OFFICER	151
<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>	
M	BLACK	18-MAR-1969	17-MAY-1993	1	0	
<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 314717	05-AUG-2006	27-MAR-2007	5 DAY SUSPENSION	10M-INSUBORDINATION		
<u>Civil Suit #</u>		<u>Police Board #</u>				
		31-MAR-2007				
<u>Comments</u>						