Annual Major Discipline Reporting Form

Internal Affairs Policy & Procedures | Appendix L

Pursuant to IAPP Section 9.11.2, every state, county, and local law enforcement agency in New Jersey is required to submit to the Attorney General and the County Prosecutor, and publish on the agency's public website, a brief synopsis of all complaints where a termination, reducation in rank or grade, and/or suspension of more than five days was assessed to an agency member. For the purposes of this report, please include all major disciplines in which a plea agreement was reached or final sanction was imposed during the time period listed below. Instructions for completing this form can be found on the "Instructions" tab of the Excel version of this document.

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Time period 2024

Agency Kearny Police Department

County Hudson <-- Select county from dropdown menu here

Disciplined Officer		Sanction				Synopsis	
No. Rank	First Name	Last Name	Terminated?	Demoted?	Suspended?	# Days Susp.	Description
1 Sergeant	Timothy	Castle	No	No	No		Several IA complaints were sustained against Sergeant Castle in 2024. One stemmed from his demeanor during a motor-vehicle stop, during which he used coarse language and an aggressive demeanor towards off-duty coworkers, after Sergeant Castle stopped the vehicle in which they were traveling. Next, staff at a retail store lodged multiple complaints against Sergeant Castle, alleging poor demeanor and neglect of dutyspecifically, that Sergeant Castle was refusing to arrest shoplifters if the dollar value of the shoplifting offenses was not significant. Two of these complaints were sustained for neglect of duty and other related policy violations. No evidence of criminal wrongdoing on the part of Sergeant Castle was uncovered at any point during the investigation. Prior to discipline being carried out against Sergeant Castle for any of the aforementioned complaints, Sergeant Castle entered into an agreement with the Town of Kearny in which he retired. This is being reported as major discipline since it is likely that, had Sergeant Castle not retired, major discipline would have resulted.
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