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CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD (CRB) - COMPLAINT #393

Date of Incident: August 28, 2024
Time of Incident: 2:39 PM
Location of Incident: Dorchester, MA 02125
Date of filing: August 30, 2024
Investigator: Diana Vergara
Date of CRB Decision: May 15, 2025

INVOLVED OFFICER:

Officer's Name	District	Badge/ Employee #	Sex	Race/ Ethnicity
Officer Taylor Green	C11	ID#153127	F	White
Officer James C. Hosea	C11	ID #128227	M	Black
Detective Stephanie O. Sullivan	C11	ID #056358	F	White

CASE PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

This is the first time this case has been brought before the CRB.

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS:

On August 30, 2024, Complainant filed a complaint with the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT) regarding Officer(s) Taylor Green ID#140300, James C. Hosea ID #128227, and Detective Stephanie O. Sullivan ID #056358. The Complainant alleged on August 28, 2024, at around 2:38 PM, she was sitting on her porch with her father and son. Boston Police Officers arrived and walked onto the porch, approaching her and asking the Complainant for her name. Officers told her that they were responding to a restraining order violation. The Complainant stated that Officers treated her like garbage in front of her son, and then Officer Green placed her under arrest. The Complainant alleged that Officer Green failed to read her the Miranda Warning and failed to provide her with what crime she had committed. The Complainant added that she asked for an ambulance due to her experiencing an asthma attack during her arrest. After being denied medical assistance and access to her



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asthma medication, Complainant requested to speak to a supervisor. Officers failed to allow Complainant access to speak to a supervisor.

APPLICABLE RULES & LAWS:

1. **BPD Rule 102 § 4 (Neglect of Duty)**: “This includes any conduct or omission that is not in accordance with established and ordinary duties or procedures as to such employees or which constitutes the use of unreasonable judgment in the exercising of any discretion granted.”
 - a. Allegations of Misconduct: Witnesses and Complainant stated that officers failed to properly assess the situation, did not allow the Complainant to explain, and made a hasty arrest.
 - b. Allegations of Misconduct: Complainant stated she told officers she couldn’t breathe, requested her asthma medication, and asked for an ambulance, which officers allegedly denied.
 - c. Allegations of Misconduct: A female officer allegedly stated, “You don’t have asthma,” dismissing Complainant’s medical condition.
 - d. Allegations of Misconduct: Complainant stated Officer Green did not read her the Miranda Warning prior to arrest.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION:

1. On September 19, 2024, Investigator Reed conducted a telephone **interview** with **Complainant**. Complainant stated that Officer Green failed to administer the Miranda Warning to Complainant during her arrest. She informed Officer Green that she was the homeowner and that no crime had occurred. Complainant further alleged that while in police custody, she was denied medical care and physically mistreated. Complainant alleged the police report was fabricated and stated that, during the incident, she repeatedly told all responding officers she was under a doctor’s care, she was having difficulty breathing, and required asthma medication. According to Complainant, the officers refused to provide access to medication, and a female officer allegedly stated, “You don’t have asthma.”
2. On October 3, 2024, Investigator Reed interviewed the **Complainant’s son**, via telephone. He reported that on the day of the incident, he was sitting on the porch with his mother (the Complainant) and grandfather. Three officers (two males and one female) approached them and began questioning his mother about a possible restraining order violation. Complainant’s son



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stated that officers did not clearly explain why his mother was being arrested. He described officers as aggressive and claimed they prevented his mother from using her asthma inhaler. He further alleged that the officers failed to properly assess the situation, unnecessarily escalated tensions, and made poor judgment calls. Complainant's son questioned the necessity of placing Complainant in a patrol wagon.

3. On September 19, 2024, Investigator Reed reviewed the **Criminal Complaint**, which indicated that Complainant had one count related to an abuse prevention order.
4. On September 19, 2024, Investigator Reed reviewed both the **City of Boston Assessor's database** and **Registry of Deeds** public records databases, which show that Complainant was the Property Owner of 15 Centerville Park, Boston, MA 02124.
5. On September 27, 2024, Investigator Reed reviewed the **arrest booking sheet**. It showed that Complainant was being charged for violation of an existing restraining (209A) order.
6. On September 27, 2024, Investigator Reed obtained the **abuse prevention order** docket **#1907ROXXX** from the Dorchester Division of Boston Municipal Court. The order was originally issued on May 10, 2019, and was extended multiple times and remains in effect until June 3, 2025. The order specified in Box #2 that the Complainant is prohibited from contacting the plaintiff, Complainant's mother, either in person, by telephone, or in writing. It further stated that the defendant must remain at least 10 yards away from the plaintiff at all times, regardless of whether the plaintiff consents to or requests contact. Box #3 of the order directed the defendant to stay away from and immediately leave the plaintiff's residence located at XXXXXXXXX, Apt. #1, Dorchester, MA 02121. Investigator Reed additionally noted that Complainant resides in Apt. #2 of the same residence in Dorchester, MA 02121, and it was an abuse prevention order.
7. Investigator Reed reviewed **police report #1242073098** and noted that officers responded to a reported violation of a restraining order. According to the report, dispatch stated that the caller stated, "her daughter was currently on the front porch of her home and that she had a restraining order against her." The report further indicated that the victim initiated contact with the Complainant by informing officers that she had observed the Complainant sitting on the front porch of her residence and had asked her to leave due to the active restraining order.



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Complainant allegedly refused to comply with the victim's request to leave. The report also noted that officers made contact with the Complainant, advised her that she was in violation of the restraining order, and subsequently placed her under arrest. Additionally, Detective Sullivan confirmed that, to her knowledge, there were no modifications to the restraining order and that the version reviewed by the responding officers was the most current and updated order on file. Investigator Reed also reviewed the Abuse Prevention Order log maintained by the Boston Police Department. The log indicated that the order was extended on June 2, 2023, with a hearing date of June 2, 2024, and an expiration date of June 4, 2024.

Summary of Officer Green's Body-Worn Camera

8. On October 2, 2024, Investigator Reed reviewed the Body-Worn Camera (BWC) footage "XX XXXXXXXXXXXX Pk. Violation RO " recorded by Officer Green. The video depicted Officer Green approaching the residence and observing the Complainant seated on the front porch alongside her son and father. Officer Green is heard asking Complainant whether she is aware of the active restraining order (Docket #1907ROXXX) and informing her that she is not permitted to be at the residence. Complainant responded by stating that her mother had contacted the Boston Police with false information, claiming ownership of the property, and that she (Complainant) was unaware of whether her mother was home at the time. Complainant explained to Officer Green that she is allowed to be at the house.
 - a. At approximately the 1:40 minute mark, the video showed officers placing Complainant under arrest for violation of the restraining order and placing her into the patrol wagon.
 - b. At the 4:24 minute mark, Officer Green was seen interviewing the Complainant's mother regarding the incident. Following the interview, Officer Green returned to the patrol wagon and informed Complainant that she is being arrested for violating the restraining order and being present at a location from which she is legally prohibited.
9. On October 2, 2024, Investigator Reed reviewed **Body-Worn Camera (BWC)** footage titled "XX XXXXXXXXXXXX Pk. Violation RO 2." The footage showed Officer Green and additional officers escorting the Complainant to the booking area. Following the search procedure, Officer Green removed Complainant's handcuffs and escorted her to speak with the on-duty supervisor, Lieutenant Deleo. At approximately the 3:58 minute mark, Complainant began discussing the incident with Lieutenant Deleo in the presence of several officers. At the 5:53 minute mark, Complainant was heard stating, "The restraining order says no contact with her." At the 7:21 minute mark, Complainant further stated, "The restraining order is specific to her, not to me being on my property. I didn't even set my eyes on her."



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Summary of Officer Hosea's Body-Worn Camera

10. On October 2, 2024, Investigator Reed reviewed **Body-Worn Camera (BWC)** footage from Officer Hosea which showed officers, along with an observer, attempting to calm the Complainant, who repeatedly stated that she could not breathe, requested an ambulance, and asked to speak with a supervisor.
 - a. At approximately the 3:05 minute mark, Officer Green is heard informing Complainant she is not permitted to be at the residence. Officer Hosea is then seen closing the door of the patrol wagon and transporting Complainant to District C-11. Upon arrival, Officers Green and Hosea escorted Complainant into the booking area for processing.
11. On October 7, 2024, Investigator Reed reviewed the **CAD sheets**, which indicated that officers were dispatched in response to a reported restraining order violation at 15 Centervale Park, Dorchester, MA.
 - a. At approximately 14:15 hours, the caller, identified as XXXXXXXX, contacted 9-1-1 and reported that she had just returned home to find the Complainant, her daughter, sitting on the front porch with the Complainant's father. Complainant's mother informed dispatch that Complainant was not permitted to be at the residence due to an active restraining order and requested the deployment of officers to the home.
12. On October 7, 2025, Investigator Reed reviewed the **911 call**. Complainant's mother called 911 because the Complainant was not supposed to be at the house. Complainant's mother stated, "she is back from the hospital, she is sitting on the porch with her father, and she is not sure what the Complainant is capable of." She also stated that there is a restraining order and that she is "sick of her."
13. On October 7, 2025, Investigator Reed reviewed the **Turret tape** and heard that the police were dispatched to Complainant's house because she violated a restraining order, and she's on the porch with her father.
14. On May 13, 2024, Investigator Reed sent an **interview request** to Officers **Green and Hosea**. however, there was no answer from the Officers.



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EVIDENCE REQUESTED/REVIEWED:

Evidence	Description	Availability status	File Name
Complainant's Interview	Phone interview on September 19, 2024	Available	N/A
OPAT Complainant Form/Intake Forms	Complainant's statements on OPAT Intake form	Available	N/A
Police report #1242073098	Description of the arrest dated 08/28/24	Available	N/A
Turret tape	The officer's radio communication to the dispatcher	Available	N/A
911 call	Oral statements from the Operator to the caller	Available	N/A
Criminal Complaint	Docket # 2407CR00XXXX	Available	N/A
CAD sheet	Summary of 911 call and dispatchers' conversations P240434936	Available	N/A
Arrest Booking Sheet	Arrest form	Available	N/A
Quit Claim Deed	Deed for XX XXXXXXXXXXXX Park,. Dorchester, MA 02121	Available	N/A



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Abuse Prevention Order Docket	Docket #1907R0XXXX	Available	N/A
Complainant's son Interview	Phone interview on October 3, 2024	Available	N/A
Interview letters to Green, Taylor #153127	Emails requesting an interview with Officer Green on May 5, May 7, and May 12, 2025	Unavailable/ did not want to participate	N/A
Interview letters to James Hosea, Employee ID#128227	Emails requesting an interview with Officer James Hosea were made on May 5, May 7, and May 12 2025	Unavailable/ did not want to participate	N/A
Body Worn Camera	Officer Taylor Green's BWC	Available	N/A
Body Worn Camera	Officer James Hosea	Available	N/A



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CRB DECISION:

Officer Taylor Green

The Civilian Review Board reached a **unanimous decision (6-0), Not Sustained** regarding allegations against Officer Green's violation of **Rule 102§4 (Neglect of Duty)**.

Officer James C. Hosea

The Civilian Review Board reached a **unanimous decision (6-0), Not Sustained** regarding allegations against Officer James C. Hosea's violation of **Rule 102 § 4 (Neglect of Duty)**.

Detective Stephanie O Sullivan

The Civilian Review Board reached a **unanimous decision (6-0), Not Sustained** regarding allegations against Detective Stephanie Sullivan's violation of **Rule 102§4 (Neglect of Duty)**.

Officer's Name	Applicable Rule	CRB Recommended Finding
Officer Taylor Green	Rule 102 § 4 (Neglect of Duty/)	Not Sustained
Officer James C. Hosea	Rule 102 § 4 (Neglect of Duty/)	Not Sustained
Detective Stephanie O. Sullivan	Rule 102 § 4 (Neglect of Duty)	Not Sustained

CRB reviewed the evidence and examined the circumstances surrounding Complainant's allegations.

Body-Worn Camera (BWC) footage, witnesses' statements, and related documentation showed that there was an active Abuse Prevention Order in effect on the date of the incident until June 3, 2025.

Detective Stephanie O. Sullivan was not observed on scene within the BWC. There was no footage of Officers giving Complainant Miranda rights at the time of the arrest. Additionally, there is no footage of Officers questioning Complainant during her arrest. No Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) were on scene. Officers provided Complainant with water at the booking station. A motion to dismiss was allowed by the Complainant's attorneys on November 21, 2024. The docket is currently sealed. Clerk's office personnel from the Dorchester Division of Boston Municipal Court indicated that a motion to unseal the docket is necessary to receive and review all documents pertaining to the case.