

#### CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD (CRB) - COMPLAINT #381

**Date of Incident:** July 11, 2024 **Time of Incident:** 8:20 PM

**Location of Incident:** Dorchester, MA 02121

**Date of Filing:** July 24, 2024

**Date of CRB Decision:** November 13, 2025

#### **BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT (BPD) EMPLOYEE(S):**

Employee Name	District	Employee ID #	Sex	Race
Officer Mason Kane	B-3	ID #173589	M	White
Officer Vencenzio Daddieco	B-3	ID #123205	M	Black
Officer Christopher Angelo Walsh	B-3	ID #168418	M	White
Sergeant Joseph D. McDonough	B-3	ID #075657	M	White

#### **CASE PROCEDURAL HISTORY:**

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

#### **SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS:**

On July 24, 2024, Complainant filed a complaint with the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT). Complainant alleged she called 911 after being attacked by a group of individuals. Responding officers Kane, Daddieco, and Walsh did not treat the Complainant like a victim and refused to get a supervisor when asked. They questioned why Complainant used mace to defend herself. Complainant was appalled that responding officers Kane, Daddieco, and Walsh allowed the individuals who attacked her to walk away from the scene without placing them under arrest after they clearly assaulted her. Officers further asked Complainant why she was asking for a supervisor and if she was unhappy with their assistance. Complainant requested about half a dozen times if responding officers Kane, Daddieco, and Walsh could get a supervisor, but officers failed to call their



supervisor to the scene. Officers gave Complainant the runaround in an attempt to avoid connecting Complainant with their supervisor. Complainant was then transported by ambulance away from the scene. Several months following the incident, Complainant insisted that formal charges be brought against the perpetrators who attacked her. Shortly thereafter, Complainant received a summons to appear at a Clerk Magistrate Hearing in the Dorchester Division of Boston Municipal Court (BMC) notifying her that she was a witness in the incident that took place on July 11, 2024.

#### **APPLICABLE RULES & LAWS:**

- 1. Rule 102§4(Neglect of Duty): This includes any conduct or omission which is not in accordance with established and ordinary duties or procedures as to such employees or which constitutes use of unreasonable judgment in the exercising of any discretion granted.
  - a. Allegations of Misconduct: officers Kane, Daddieco, and Walsh did not treat Complainant as a victim and refused to summon a supervisor after multiple requests. Officers allowed the aggressors to leave without arrest. Officers showed disrespect and gave the aggressors "ammunition" to verbally harass Complainant.
- 2. **Rule 102§9(Respectful Treatment):** Employees shall, on all occasions, be civil and respectful, courteous and considerate toward their supervisors, their subordinates, and all other members of the Department and the general public. No employee shall use epithets or terms that tend to denigrate any person(s) due to their race, color, creed, gender identity, or sexual orientation except when necessary in police reports or in testimony.
  - a. Allegations of Misconduct: officers Kane, Daddieco, and Officer Walsh mocked or questioned Complainant for asking for a supervisor.

#### **SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION:**

1. On July 30, 2024, OPAT Investigator reached out to **Complainant**. Complainant stated that individuals suddenly walked in front of her car, causing her to focus on them. A few minutes later, a woman and her three children ran in front of Complainant's vehicle. Complainant then reported that an argument began between her and two women after someone threw rice and beans onto her car. In response, Complainant pulled out her mace and sprayed both women. This action led to a



fight, during which Complainant was attacked by both women.

- Complainant called the police and provided her identification, expressing her desire to press charges. She alleged that the officers spoke only to the two women and, when they finally talked to her, seemed primarily concerned about her use of the mace. Additionally, Complainant alleged that one of the officers was rude and did not allow her to speak to his supervisor. She was unable to obtain the names of the officers involved.
- Complainant called for an ambulance for herself; however, when it arrived she observed the two women who attacked her getting into the ambulance.
  Complainant alleged that the officers failed to arrest the women for assault at the scene and allowed them to leave.
- 2. On July 30, 2024, OPAT Investigator reviewed **three pictures** provided by Complainant of the officers involved. These officers were later identified as officers Kane, Daddieco, and Walsh.
- 3. On July 30, 2024, OPAT Investigator received and reviewed the **police report I#** XXXXXX dated July 11, 2024. The report indicates the following:
  - O Police officers were flagged down by the caller/victim, who stated that she had just been jumped by several people. Caller/victim stated that she was driving up XXXXXX St and a group of young kids ran across the street, so she stopped the car. Caller/victim then stated that she proceeded to drive up XXXXXX St when another group of kids jumped in front of her vehicle again, so she stopped the car. Caller/victim stated that words were then exchanged between her and the kids, and then a group of adults started to walk over to her vehicle. Caller/victim stated that she then got out of her vehicle and began to argue with the two females, who were later identified. The victim stated that she felt in fear because she was outnumbered, and she sprayed the two females with OC spray. The victim stated that she began to get jumped by both females.
  - Officers also interviewed the two females, Female #1 and Female #2, and one stated that she ran towards the victim and heard yelling. She stated that as she got close to both parties, the victim sprayed her and the other female with OC spray, then led the females to fight the victim. The female stated that she was able to punch the victim, and the victim punched her in the mouth.
  - Officers approached the witness, who stated that the incident occurred when the victim was driving up XXXXXX St and she almost hit his children. The

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witness stated that he walked towards the car to confront the victim about her driving, and he yelled at her to stop. He stated that he got into a brief argument with the victim about her almost hitting his kids, and he stated that the victim had to pull on her e-brake so that she didn't hit the children. He stated that this was when the victim stated, "F\*\*\* them kids," which caused the females to approach the victim.

- Another witness whose name was redacted. The witness stated that he was on the scene when the incident occurred. He stated that he recorded the majority of the incident on his cellphone. Officers reviewed the video on the cellphone and observed the witness kicking the victim multiple times in the upper body while she was on the ground. After reviewing the video on the cellphone, it appeared that the dominant aggressor would be one of the females because the victim was outnumbered and helpless on the ground while she was getting kicked; however, officers observed that Female #2 was no longer on scene. Officers advised the witness and Female #1 that Female #2 will be summoned for ABDW, to wit, the shod foot.
- The victim was transported to Tufts Medical Center
- 4. On August 1, 2024, OPAT Investigator reviewed **medical information** sent by Complainant from the Tufts Medical Center Emergency Department (ED). This was an after visit summary of her ED visit on 07/11/2024. The medical information indicated she was seen by Nissa Ali, MD. The reason for the visit was battery. The diagnosis was assault and a closed fracture of the orbital wall, initial encounter.
- 5. On August 2, 2024, OPAT Investigator attempted to retrieve **city camera footage** at XXXXXX Street market located at XXXXXX St, Boston, MA 02121; however, the footage does not show the incident, as it only captures camera angles of XXXXXX Street and does not include XXXXXX Street, where the incident took place.
- 6. On August 6, 2024, OPAT Investigator received and reviewed **eight Body-Worn Cameras (BWC)** from BPD:
  - BWC from Christopher Walsh (ID #168418) titled, Axon Body 3 Video 2024-07-11 2146 X60A7636R showed about seven officers talking to several individuals.
    - i. The officer speaks with Female #1, one of the women who was pepper-sprayed, and another man. The man, identified as a witness, Female #1's brother, explains that he told the children to wait, but



Female #1 stopped for someone else. After that person crossed, he told the children to go ahead. As they crossed the street, the four kids began to spread out, so he stepped in, and Complainant had to slam on the emergency brakes to stop.

- ii. The witness states that Complainant exited her vehicle and sprayed his wife, Female #2, with pepper spray. After Female #2 was sprayed, Female #1 confronted Complainant, who then sprayed her as well.
- iii. The witness shows the officer a video of the incident. OPAT Investigator attempts to review the footage but is unable to see clearly because the recording is too distant.
- BWC from Vencenzio Daddieco (ID #123205) titled, Axon Body 3 Video 2024-07-11 2146 X60A showed about 7 officers talking to several individuals.
  - i. The officer is observed arriving at the scene and speaking to some individuals. The officer is observed looking at the video provided by the witness. The video shows Complainant and the two females fighting.
  - ii. A female wearing brown clothing is heard saying, "I'm walking them home, and you guys are stopping me. It's a little sketchy. She looks like she's about to cry."
  - iii. A male wearing yellow pants and a white shirt is heard saying, "I was there trying to break that sh\*\* apart, and you all weren't there. Leave them the f\*\*\* alone. That's the kind of sh\*\* that traumatizes kids. He's actually a good kid."
  - iv. On the BWC titled *Axon Body 3 Video 2024-07-11 2103 X60A*, Officer Daddieco is observed returning a set of keys to an EMT inside an ambulance before leaving the scene.
- BWC from Evan Fantaroni (ID #164622) titled, Axon Body 3 Video 2024-07-11 2056 X60A and Alfredo Araujo (ID #153070) titled, Axon Body 3 Video 2024-07-11 2056 X60A7 showed several officers talking to a female wearing blue jean shorts and a black shirt in a grey car.
  - i. The officers are observed speaking with a young male wearing a gray hoodie, later identified as the witness who recorded the fight, along with several other individuals. Sergeant McDonough is heard speaking to the group, stating. "I understand the problem with the



kids. Nobody wants to get hit by a car. I know she got out of the car and came at you aggressively, and I saw that you were in a fight. Then it became two against one. Thank you for breaking that up when you did. Once it turned into a two-on-one situation, the other woman who came to your defense is gone, and if she were here, I would have arrested her. She boots her. We know who she is; you can tell her. But I'm telling you, when the judge sees the video, it doesn't look good; a fight is a fight, but it was down, you were now one. But once someone is down, I know that when I am done. But the woman with the foot she's going to get a summons."

- **BWC from Alfredo Araujo (ID #153070)** titled, Axon Body 3 Video 2024-07-11 2056 X60A7 shows several officers speaking with a woman inside a gray vehicle wearing jeans, later identified as Complainant. Complainant is heard telling the officers and EMT personnel, "No one is getting arrested? What do you need to know? Look at my face. I asked for them to be arrested."
  - i. Sergeant McDonough is observed asking an officer about the woman wearing a tank top. The officers then approach a group of individuals and request to view the video. Sergeant McDonough is also heard saying, "No, you're not getting arrested. You guys are victims." He then asks to see the video again.
- o BWC from Mason Kane (ID #173589). At the intersection of XXXXXX and XXXXXXX, the BWC footage shows officers speaking with a witness wearing a gray hoodie, who is displaying a video on their phone. The witness stated that Complainant "almost hit them too." The witness further explained, "They weren't even going to fight; they were just talking at first, and she randomly came out and sprayed her, saying, 'What you said about my kid.'" The witness also stated that Complainant sprayed the other woman before the fight began and that she was inside her car when she did so.
  - i. During the footage, Complainant is heard saying, "I got beaten up by three people." One of the officers asks Complainant whether she sprayed before or after the fight, to which she responds, "It doesn't matter; I was protecting myself. Look at my f\*\*\*ing car. I asked for a sergeant."
  - ii. EMS personnel are observed arriving at the scene. It is also heard



when one of the officers speaks with a sergeant. Complainant is then heard saying to the officers, "He's the reason why I asked for a supervisor," while pointing at Officer Kane. She continues, "Because I want one, because I had to call because you wouldn't. As soon as I asked for a supervisor, you're supposed to send one. Please don't turn this into a civil rights violation. Don't violate my civil rights. Get the f\*\*\* off my car. I can stand here, but I'm not going to talk to you. I have the right to remain silent." Complainant is also heard calling the officers "heads" and saying, "Look at my f\*\*\*ing hands, look at my face." She is later observed entering the ambulance.

- iii. At approximately the **18:20 mark**, Sergeant McDonough arrives at the scene and reviews the video of the fight. At approximately the **28:54** mark, Sergeant McDonough states, "I would say at first she was the aggressor; she sprays in self-defense... she was kicked and outnumbered." The footage shows the sergeant and officers reviewing the video and speaking with several individuals.
- 7. On August 30, 2024, OPAT Investigator received and reviewed the **CAD Sheet**, which shows that the initial call was for an assault and battery in progress.
  - "Caller says she was jumped by two females and 1 male. Caller is at the location, pulled over in a Mazda.
  - The caller is irritated, not answering questions, and needs an ambulance.
  - Caller refusing to give 911 any info, just keeps saying she wants to press charges.
  - *IH of numbers, female possible name of Complainant.*
  - Caller states she was pepper-sprayed by a female.
  - The caller stated the female was driving fast and almost hit her and her kids
  - The caller is yelling at the female.
  - Caller states that the female stopped and got out to pepper-spray the caller.
  - Open line. Female arguing with someone."
- 8. On August 30, 2024, OPAT Investigator received and reviewed the **911 call**.
  - At the 8:17 minute mark, Complainant informs the operator that she was attacked by three individuals, one male and two females, on XXXXXX Street. She repeatedly insists that she wants the assailants arrested. Complainant described the incident as a one-on-one fight before the male and one of the women joined in. Additionally, she mentioned that children



- threw food at her car. Throughout the call, Complainant was very emotional and frantic while speaking to the operator.
- At the 8:21 minute mark, another woman calls 911 to report that a driver nearly hit her children while they were in the street, which led to an argument. The caller stated that she was pepper-sprayed in the face during the altercation. Meanwhile, another caller reported that his sister had been pepper-sprayed in the mouth.
- 9. On July 14, 2025, July 21, 2025, and August 1, 2025, the OPAT Investigator sent multiple emails attempting to schedule an interview with **Officer Christopher Angelo Walsh (ID #168418)**. Despite these efforts, Officer Walsh did not respond.
- 10. On July 14, July 21, and August 1, 2025, the OPAT Investigator sent multiple emails attempting to schedule an interview with **Officer Evan M. Fantaroni (ID #164622)**. Despite these efforts, Officer Fantaroni did not respond.
- 11. On July 14, 2025, July 21, 2025, and August 1, 2025, OPAT Investigator sent multiple emails attempting to schedule an interview with Officer Alfredo Araujo, ID #153070, via email to schedule an interview. Despite these efforts, Officer Araujo did not respond.
- 12. On July 14, 2025, July 21, 2025, and August 1, 2025, OPAT Investigator sent multiple emails attempting to schedule an interview with Officer **Vencenzio Daddieco, ID #123205**, via email to schedule an interview. Despite these efforts, Officer Daddieco did not contact the Opat Investigator.
- 13. On July 14, 2025, July 21, 2025, and August 1, 2025, OPAT Investigator sent multiple emails attempting to schedule an interview with Sergeant Paul D. Wright, ID #011750, via email to schedule an interview. Despite these efforts, Sergeant Wright did not respond.
- 14. On July 14, 2025, July 21, 2025, and August 1, 2025, OPAT Investigator sent multiple emails attempting to schedule an interview with Sergeant Joseph D. McDonough, ID #075657, via email to schedule an interview. Despite these efforts, Sergeant McDonough did not respond.
- 15. On July 14, 2025, July 21, 2025, and August 1, 2025, OPAT Investigator sent multiple emails attempting to schedule an interview with **Officer Mason Kane, ID**



**#173589**, via email to schedule an interview. Despite these efforts, Officer Kane did not respond.

- 16. On July 21, 2025, **Lieutenant Thomas Brooks, ID #086201**, stated in an email to the OPAT Investigator:
  - "This occurred at 8:20 pm (the first half shift, which runs from 4 pm-11:45 pm for patrolmen, and from 2:30 pm-10:15 pm for supervisors.
  - I was not present or a witness to this incident.
  - o I just checked the BAT assignment sheets for that date. In fact, I did not report to work until 10:15 pm, where I was assigned to the desk at B3 and was not on the road at all that evening. So I was not at this scene or aware of it, nor did I have any contact with anyone involved. I am the one who approved the report simply because it was not completed until after 10:15 pm when I came in, and after the evening supervisors' tours had ended.
  - The patrol supervisor who, according to the report, was on scene was Sgt Joseph D McDonough. The duty supervisor (the B3 desk supervisor) was Sgt Paul Wright."

#### **CRB EVIDENCE LIST:**

Evidence	Description	Availability Status
OPAT Complainant Form/Intake Forms	Complainant's written statement on July 11, 2024.	Available
2. CAD sheet	Summary of 911 call and dispatchers' conversations P# XXXXXXXXXX, case number I# XXXXXXXXXXX for July 11, 2024.	Available
3. BAT Sheet	District schedule for B-3 dated July 11, 2024	Available
Original police report	Police Report I# XXXXXXXXXX dated July 11, 2024	Available



5. Turret Tape & 911 call dated July 11, 2024 CC# XXXXXXXXXX	The officer's radio communication to the dispatcher and oral statements from the operator to Complainant.	Available
6. Lieutenant Thomas Brooks' email	Lieutenant Thomas Brooks' email response on July 21, 2025	Available
7. Three screenshots featuring three white male officers.	Photos of three police officers, later identified as Officers Mason Kane, Vencenzio Daddieco, and Christopher Angelo Walsh.	Available
8. Tufts Medical Center emergency information.	Medical records show that Complainant was seen in the emergency room on 7/11/24.	Available

#### **CRB BOARD DECISION:**

### Officer Vencenzio Daddieco, ID #123205

The CRB reached a Unanimous decision (6-0), Not Sustained, regarding allegations against the following BPD employees in violation of Rule 102§4(Neglect of Duty) and 102§9(Respectful Treatment)

BPD Employee Name	Applicable Rule	Finding / Recommendation
Officer Vencenzio Daddieco	Rule 102§4(Neglect of	Not Sustained
#123205	Duty)	
Officer Vencenzio Daddieco	102§9(Respectful	Not Sustained
#123205	Treatment)	



### Officer Christopher Angelo Walsh, ID #168418

The CRB reached a Unanimous decision (6-0), Not Sustained, regarding allegations against the following BPD employees in violation of Rule 102§4(Neglect of Duty) and 102§9(Respectful Treatment)

<b>BPD Employee Name</b>	Applicable Rule	Finding / Recommendation
Officer Christopher Angelo	Rule 102§4(Neglect of	Not Sustained
Walsh #168418	Duty)	
Officer Christopher Angelo	102§9(Respectful	Not Sustained
Walsh #168418	Treatment)	

#### Officer Mason Kane, ID #173589

The CRB reached a Unanimous decision (6-0), Not Sustained, regarding allegations against the following BPD employees in violation of Rule 102§4(Neglect of Duty) and 102§9(Respectful Treatment)

<b>BPD</b> Employee Name	Applicable Rule	Finding / Recommendation
Officer Mason Kane, ID#	Rule 102§4(Neglect of	Not Sustained
173589	Duty)	
Officer Mason Kane, ID#	102§9(Respectful	Not Sustained
173589	Treatment)	



### Sergeant Joseph D.McDonough, ID #075657

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BPD Employee Name	Applicable Rule	Finding / Recommendation
Sergeant Joseph	Rule 102§4(Neglect of	Not Sustained
D.McDonough	Duty)	
Sergeant Joseph	102§9(Respectful	Not Sustained
D.McDonough	Treatment)	