



MEMORANDUM

Austin Police Department *Region II Patrol*

TO: David Lara, Officer
FROM: Jeremy Compton, Commander
DATE: October 14th, 2021
SUBJECT: Written Reprimand IA Case 2021-0473

This memorandum is in reference to an incident which occurred on April 25, 2021 and your conduct at that time. Specifically I am referring to your involvement *involvement with Family Disturbance call #21-1151436 where you failed to conduct a proper investigation, make proper arrests, and complete the appropriate documentation.*

Your actions violated APD Policy

401.7 Reporting Responsibilities which states:

(a) When the preliminary investigation is done, officers shall prepare an initial incident report detailing an accurate record of events...

(b) ... All other responding officers will be responsible for completing supplemental reports as outlined in General Order 402 (Incident Reporting and Documentation).

And APD Policy

418.2 Family Violence – Enforcement Guidelines, .1 Arrest Requirement for Assaultive Offenses which states:

The primary duties of an officer who investigates a family violence allegation, or who responds to a disturbance call that may involve family violence, are to protect any potential victim of family violence and enforce the law by making lawful arrests of violators.

.1 (c) Officers shall not use mediation at the scene as a substitute for appropriate reporting and enforcement action when physical violence has taken place.

(d) Officers shall arrest for assault by threat or assault by contact if no physical violence has occurred that resulted in bodily injury, but circumstances reasonably show that further violence is likely to happen. Supervisor approval is required when the arrest is made from inside a residence.

You are hereby reminded that compliance with the Department's rules and regulations are a

condition of your continued employment as a police officer. Failure to comply with this policy in the future may result in more severe disciplinary action against you, up to, and including an indefinite suspension.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the foregoing Written Reprimand:

 #9081
Signature of Officer Receiving Reprimand

10/14/2021 3:32 pm
Date / Time

 4802
Signature of COC Sergeant

10/14/2021 1533
Date / Time

 4891
Signature of COC Lieutenant

10/14/2021 3:33
Date / Time

 4829
Signature of COC Commander

10/14/2021 3:34
Date / Time

cc: Employee
Employee's Supervisor
Internal Affairs
APD Human Resources