



OFFICE OF POLICE OVERSIGHT

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT

February 3, 2023

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On February 3, 2023, the OPO received an online complaint.

The complainant alleges: On [REDACTED] my wife, [REDACTED], contacted Austin PD after she was in an accident where she got hit from behind. The officer that arrived on the scene was [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] ran my wife's name for warrants apparently where she had a warrant in [REDACTED] County which we were not aware of. Officer [REDACTED] then arrested [REDACTED] and it was at that point [REDACTED] contacted me to give me the news. I then spoke to Officer [REDACTED] on my wife's phone and told him he does realize my wife [REDACTED] was just in a car accident and needs to go to the hospital. Officer [REDACTED] then responded to me that he will take her to the hospital first and then to jail. Officer [REDACTED] also told me he would call me back to give me the location of the keys to my truck so I can go pick it up from the location of the accident. Officer [REDACTED] lied to me about calling me back and he didn't take my wife to the hospital either and just took her straight to jail. One thing I can't stand is a liar especially from a public servant that has rules and regulations to follow when it comes to the safety and health of people who have been in an accident regardless if they have warrants or not. I also called numerous times and left messages to speak to Officer [REDACTED] but never heard back. Then the suspect that actually hit my wife from behind was allowed to leave even though he did not have an actual driver's license but an ID card. Is this the type of officers Austin hires and has representing for your town a bunch of liars who do not care about the health and safety of civilians or follows Austin Police policy and procedures?

[REDACTED] heard the whole conversation between me and Officer [REDACTED]. When she seen she was not going to the hospital she told Officer [REDACTED] "I thought I was going to the Hospital". Officer [REDACTED] response was no he is taking her straight to jail. Had no regard to [REDACTED] injuries after getting hit from behind in a car accident.

This notice of complaint is a request for Internal Affairs to initiate an investigation to determine if the employee conduct is within compliance of APD policy, Civil Service Rules, and Municipal Civil Service Rules.