



## OFFICE OF POLICE OVERSIGHT

### NOTICE OF COMPLAINT

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January 14, 2022

ICMS #: 2022-0036

On January 14, 2022 the OPO received a phone complaint.

**The complainant alleges:** The complaint is against Detective [REDACTED] for the way he handled the complainant's robbery case. He did not do his basic job. The detective was specifically told that the coins were in mint condition; he claims he doesn't know what "mint" means. His exact words were, "A \$5 bill is a \$5 bill. You are saying, 'That isn't my \$5 bill.'" He failed to obtain the two videos showing the coins in mint condition that were offered to him. He didn't even contact the gas station the coins were used. Some employees had made sworn statements about the condition of the coins. He didn't collect the video of the tow truck driver who could have swapped her coins for bad coins. He couldn't get in touch with the person who had the stolen coins; she had to negotiate with the criminal herself to recover the coins. In court, the detective couldn't even speak to the basic facts of the case and kept referring to an event that didn't even happen in this case. His demeanor in email and in person was passive-aggressive, and he clearly didn't want to be bothered with this case or the complainant. The detective spent more time interrogating her in a padded room with another officer there to intimidate her on [REDACTED] than attending to the case itself. The case was sat on. The coins were stolen in [REDACTED] and not seized until [REDACTED]. The thief wasn't arrested until [REDACTED] even though she admitted to stealing them the day the complainant made the report. The detective asked the tow truck company owner for the coins and accepted coins he knew full well were not the coins he was looking for. The complainant was not able to recover her coins because of the detective. The complainant is further worried that the video of her interrogation will be destroyed, as the detective is aware that she is filing a complaint. She will obtain the video of the hearing that happened on [REDACTED].

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*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.*



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