

Police Department

700 West Markham Little Rock, Arkansas 72201-1329

November 7, 2012

Police Lieutenant David Hudson, #5501 Downtown Division Special Assignment Unit Little Rock Police Department Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Letter of Suspension

Dear Lieutenant Hudson:

You are hereby notified that you are suspended as a member of the Little Rock Police Department for a period of thirty (30) calendar days without pay. Your days of suspension will be Monday, November 12, 2012, through Tuesday, December 11, 2012. You will return to your assigned duties on Wednesday, December 12, 2012. You are suspended for violating the following listed sections of the General Orders and Rules and Regulations of the Little Rock Police Department:

General Order 303 Section III.A.

Which states, "This section establishes the type and degree of force which may be used to overcome a level of resistance, to control persons who are in custody and/or to prevent escape. Officers will only use the type and degree of force which is reasonable and necessary, based on the circumstances."

Rules and Regulations Section 1/6005.00

Which states, "Officers shall use only such force as is necessary to affect an arrest."

You violated the aforementioned sections of the General Orders and Rules and Regulations on October 29, 2011, when the type and degree of force you used during the arrest of Chris Erwin exceeded the force which was reasonable and necessary.

On June 22, 2012, you were afforded an administrative hearing concerning the above listed violations. Your supervisors have reviewed the facts contained in internal investigative file #11-4523 and a determination was made that you be suspended for a period of thirty (30) calendar days without pay. Pursuant to General Order 210.II.B.(6), you will not be allowed to participate in any off-duty employment during your suspension period.

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You are hereby advised that if you do not feel that this suspension is proper and just, you do have the right to appeal to the Little Rock Civil Service Commission. Such appeal must be in writing directly to the Commission within ten (10) days from the date you were notified of the suspension, setting forth your reasons why you do not feel this action is proper. It is the officer's responsibility to ensure that appeal notices arrive in the Human Resources Department by the deadline.

Stuart Thomas
Chief of Police

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cc: Asst. Chief Eric Higgins

Asst. Chief Hayward Finks

Asst. Chief Wayne Bewley

Capt. Max Spriggs

Capt. Michael Davis

Don Flegal, Human Resources Director

Lisa Hinshaw, Payroll

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