



MEMORANDUM

Austin Police Department Region II Patrol

TO: Dennis Washington #8678, Officer
FROM: Chris Vallejo, Commander
DATE: October 13, 2020
SUBJECT: Written Reprimand IA Case 2020-1540

This memorandum is in reference to an incident which occurred on August 3, 2020, and your conduct at that time. Specifically I am referring to your involvement *in the pursuit of a stolen motorcycle. You were an unauthorized unit involved in the pursuit and also were violating traffic laws while responding to the scene while operating Code 1.*

Your actions violated APD Policy 214.4 **PURSUIT GUIDELINES** which states:

Pursuit units shall be limited to four vehicles (three units and a control supervisor); however, a control supervisor may request additional units to join a pursuit if, after assessing the factors outlined above, it appears that the number of officers involved would be insufficient to safely stop the pursuit and/or arrest the subject(s). All other officers will stay out of the pursuit but should remain alert to its progress and location.

804.2 GENERAL OPERATION OF DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

(a) Employees will operate Department vehicles in a careful and prudent manner within the guidelines of the law and Department General Orders. Unsafe or negligent driving is prohibited.

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:

Dennis Washington APT 8678
Signature of Officer Receiving Reprimand

10/15/20 OSM
Date / Time

L. P. Brantly #12337 (Acting Sgt)
Signature of COC Sergeant

10-18-2020 9:10 A.M.
Date / Time

D. K. W. #3556
Signature of COC Lieutenant

10-15-20 5:11am
Date / Time

C. G. Vally #2662
Signature of COC Commander

11/3/20 0915
Date / Time

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