

**BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO**

**IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST** )  
**POLICE OFFICER ROBERT DRELL,** ) **No. 14 PB 2877**  
**STAR No. 3374, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,** )  
**CITY OF CHICAGO,** )  
 ) **(CR No. 1062099)**  
**RESPONDENT.** )

**ORDER**

On October 30, 2014, the Superintendent of Police filed with the Police Board of the City of Chicago charges against Police Officer Robert Drell, Star No. 3374 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as “Respondent”), recommending that the Respondent be discharged from the Chicago Police Department for violating several Rules of Conduct.

The Police Board caused a hearing on these charges against the Respondent to be had before Thomas E. Johnson, Hearing Officer of the Police Board, on January 29, 2015. Following the hearing, the members of the Police Board read and reviewed the record of the proceedings and viewed the video-recording of the testimony of the witnesses. Hearing Officer Johnson made an oral report to and conferred with the Police Board before it rendered its findings and decision.

On March 19, 2015, the Police Board found the Respondent not guilty of violating Rules 2, 6, 23, and 24, and the Board ordered that the Respondent be restored to his position as a police officer with the Department of Police, and to the services of the City of Chicago, with all rights and benefits, effective November 14, 2014.

The Superintendent filed a petition for administrative review in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Chancery Division, seeking reversal of the Board’s Findings and Decision. On December 18, 2015, the Court entered an Order reversing the Board’s decision finding the

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Respondent not guilty of violating Rules 2, 6, 23, and 24, and remanding the case to the Board with instructions to enter a finding of guilty and proceed to determine an appropriate sanction.

On May 16, 2016, the Superintendent moved to withdraw the charges against the Respondent without prejudice because the Respondent resigned his position with the Chicago Police Department. The Police Board has considered the Superintendent's motion.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Superintendent's motion is **granted**.

This Order is adopted and entered by a majority of the members of the Police Board: Lori E. Lightfoot, Ghian Foreman, Melissa M. Ballate, William F. Conlon, Rita A. Fry, John H. Simpson, and Rhoda D. Sweeney

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2016.

Attested by:

/s/ LORI E. LIGHTFOOT  
President

/s/ MAX A. CAPRONI  
Executive Director