

Charges Filed with the Police Board

The following charges have been filed with the Police Board by the Superintendent of Police. The public is reminded that the filing of charges is not evidence of guilt. The accused officer is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair hearing at which the Superintendent has the burden of proving guilt by a preponderance of the evidence.

CHARGES AGAINST POLICE OFFICER TARTANE HUTCHINSON

Police Officer Tartane Hutchinson, Star No. 5629, is charged with violating the following Rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department, which were in full force and effect on the date of the alleged violations:

- Rule 1: Violation of any law or ordinance.
- Rule 2: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.
- Rule 3: Any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals.
- Rule 8: Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty.
- Rule 9: Engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

SPECIFICATIONS

1. On or about December 5, 2014, at or near 1700 Nations Dr, Gurnee, IL 60031, Officer Hutchinson verbally assaulted and/or threatened [REDACTED] who was his girlfriend at the time, when he told her, "you're a whore, you're a slut, you are fucking the pastor," "I should fuck you up," and "I should throw this mother-fucking chair at you, you stupid bitch," or stated words to that effect. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - b. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - c. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - d. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
2. On or about December 5, 2014, at or near 1700 Nations Dr, Gurnee, IL 60031, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED], who was his girlfriend at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he grabbed her upon her body and tossed her around the hotel room. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:

- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
3. On or about December 5, 2014, at or near 1700 Nations Dr, Gurnee, IL 60031, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED] who was his girlfriend at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that in the hotel hallway he slammed her down and dragged her while telling her "I am going to fuck you up, You're a fucking whore. I can't stand you," or stated words to that effect. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
4. On or about December 5, 2014, at or near 1700 Nations Dr, Gurnee, IL 60031, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED] who was his girlfriend at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he locked her in the room, took her to the bathroom, pushed her on the sink, and proceeded knock her over her head with closed fists , as she begged him to stop, resulting in bruises. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;

- b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
5. On or about December 5, 2014, at or near 1700 Nations Dr, Gurnee, IL 60031, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED] who was his girlfriend at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he put a pillow over her face and told her "I could kill you and no one would know," or stated words to that effect. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
6. On or about May 8, 2015, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED] who was his girlfriend at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he pushed her onto the couch. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;

- c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
7. On or about May 8, 2015, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED], who was his girlfriend at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he grabbed her left thumb and bent it completely back resulting in the swelling and bruising of her left hand. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
8. On or about June 29, 2016, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED], who was his wife at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he grabbed her upon her body and tried to slam her down, even after she screamed for help. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;

- e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
9. On or about June 29, 2016, at or near [REDACTED] Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED], who was his wife at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he lifted her off her feet and slammed her on the bed resulting in a non-disclosed fracture and visible swelling on her right ankle. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
10. On or about December 31, 2016, at or near [REDACTED] Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED], who was his wife at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he grabbed her upon her body, slammed her against the wall and proceeded to strangle her, resulting in bruising upon her neck. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

11. On or about December 31, 2016, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED], who was his wife at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he pushed and/or shoved her resulting in her flying three feet away face first into a game table and busting her lip open leaving bruising and scratches upon her face. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a) *Domestic Battery* and/or 720 ILCS 5/12-3(a) *Battery*;
 - b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
 - e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
12. On or about December 2016, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson took [REDACTED]'s, car keys and refused to return them even after she asked him continuously to give them back and said, "he has my keys, he has me locked in this house, and there's no way I can leave the house and lock the door," or stated words to that effect. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - b. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - c. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
13. On or about December 2016, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson acted recklessly when he operated his motor vehicle while [REDACTED], who was his wife at the time, was holding the passenger door and he proceeded to drive off with her hanging on from the outside of the vehicle endangering her safety. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:
- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-5(a)(1) *Reckless Conduct* and/or 625 ILCS 5/11-503 *Reckless Driving*;

- b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
- c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
- d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
- e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

14. On or about December 11, 2017, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson without lawful authority, knowingly engaged in conduct which placed [REDACTED], who was his wife at the time, in reasonable apprehension of receiving a battery, in that he said words to the effect of he was going to "fuck [her] up" and "drag [her] ass" Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:

- a. Rule 1, violation of any law or ordinance, 720 ILCS 5/12-1(a) *Assault*;
- b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
- c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
- d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
- e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

15. On or about December 12, 2017, at or near [REDACTED], Chicago, IL 60652, Officer Hutchinson knowingly and without legal justification caused bodily harm to [REDACTED], who was his wife at the time, and/or made physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with her in that he pushed and/or shoved her resulting her stumbling backwards and hitting the wall. Officer Hutchinson thereby violated:

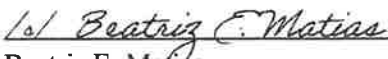
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- b. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
- c. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;

- d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
- e. Rule 9, engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends that Police Officer Tartane Hutchinson, Star Number 5629, be discharged from the Chicago Police Department.


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APPROVED AS TO FORM


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