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South Carolina Department of Public Safety
Office of Professional Responsibility

August 16, 2017

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RE: OPR File #PR-2105-17-0014-C

Dear ~~REDACTED~~:

As a result of the information you provided the South Carolina Department of Public Safety, an investigation has been completed and a final disposition made. Based on a thorough review of the complaint and subsequent investigation, the Department has identified and ~~concluded that the allegations of the complaint are unfounded.~~

The Department is committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair, effective, and impartially applied. You can have confidence that the Department has taken the appropriate actions as deemed necessary from the findings of its investigation.

Our goal is to be professional, helpful, and courteous in all our encounters. We regret you could not say that about your experience.

Thank you for your interest in helping us better serve the public.

Sincerely,

Chief K. D. Phelps
Office of Professional Responsibility

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The OPR investigative conclusion is classified in one of four ways.

- 1) **Sustained** - Employee's action violated Department policy, procedures, or guidelines.
- 2) **Not Sustained** - Insufficient evidence exists to either prove or disprove the allegation.
- 3) **Exonerated** - Employee's action occurred as alleged but was in compliance with Department policy, procedures, and guidelines. Action was within the guidelines authorized by law.
- 4) **Unfounded** - alleged misconduct did not occur.





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subpoenas at the time. Due to the nature of these subpoenas being related to a civil case in the Family Court, the OPR was unable to independently verify their authenticity or origination.

CLASSIFICATION

ALLEGATION: Sergeant Whatley failed to provide video evidence related to the DUI arrest of ████████ to Trooper First Class T.M. Graham for the prosecution of the DUI case - **SUSTAINED**.

ALLEGATION: Sergeant Whatley inappropriately provided a copy of the in-car video recording of his interviews with ████████ children to an outside party - **NOT SUSTAINED**.