## BEFORE A MEMBER OF THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISCIPLINE OF	)
POLICE OFFICER CHRIS M. HACKETT,	) No. 17 RR 01
STAR No. 7447, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,	)
CITY OF CHICAGO,	)
AND	)
POLICE OFFICER JOHN VALTIERRA,	) No. 17 RR 02
STAR No. 7329, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,	)
CITY OF CHICAGO.	) (CR No. 1079748)

## **OPINION**

On May 4, 2017, the Office of the Police Board of the City of Chicago received from the Chief Administrator of the Independent Police Review Authority ("IPRA") a request for review of IPRA's recommendations for discipline of Police Officer Chris M. Hackett, Star No. 7447, and Police Officer John Valtierra, Star No. 7329, arising out of the investigation of Complaint Register No. 1079748 ("Request for Review").

The Chief Administrator recommended that the following allegation against Officer Hackett be *Sustained*:

Allegation No. 1: On March 21, 2016, at approximately 1035 hours, during the arrest of Anthony Slaughter, Officer Hackett violated Mr. Slaughter's Fourth Amendment right in that he entered the residence without a warrant, permission, or exigent circumstances that would deem entry lawful, thereby violating Rule 1, "Violation of any law or ordinance."

The Chief Administrator recommended that the following allegation against Officer

## Valtierra be *Sustained*:

<u>Allegation No. 1</u>: On March 21, 2016, at approximately 1035 hours, during the arrest of Anthony Slaughter, Officer Valtierra violated Mr. Slaughter's Fourth Amendment right in that he entered the residence without a warrant, permission, or exigent circumstances that

would deem entry lawful, thereby violating Rule 1, "Violation of any law or ordinance."

The Chief Administrator recommended that both Officer Hackett and Officer Valtierra be suspended from the Chicago Police Department for a period of twenty (20) days.

The Superintendent objected to the Chief Administrator's recommendation. The Superintendent recommended that the allegations against both Officer Hackett and Officer Valtierra be classified as *Exonerated*.

According to the Certificate of Meeting and of Service submitted by the Chief Administrator: (1) the Chief Administrator met with the Superintendent and/or his designees to discuss the matter on May 1, 2017, a discussion which continued throughout the week ending on May 3, 2017; and (2) the Request for Review was sent via e-mail to the Executive Director of the Police Board.

The Executive Director of the Police Board sent the Request for Review to Michael Eaddy, the member of the Police Board who was selected on a random basis pursuant to the Police Board's *Rules of Procedure* ("Reviewing Member").

The Reviewing Member considered the Request for Review pursuant to Section 2-78-130(a)(iii) of the Municipal Code of Chicago and Article VI of the Police Board's *Rules of Procedure*.

In the opinion of the Reviewing Member, the response of the Superintendent of Police does not meet the burden of overcoming the Chief Administrator's recommendations for discipline. Therefore, pursuant to Section 2-78-130(a)(iii) of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the Chief Administrator's recommendations for discipline of Police Officer Chris M. Hackett, Star No. 7447, and Police Officer John Valtierra, Star No. 7329, shall be deemed accepted by the Superintendent of Police.

Nos. 17 RR 01 & 02 Police Officers Chris M. Hackett and John Valtierra Opinion

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS  $18^{\rm th}$  DAY OF MAY, 2017.

/s/ MICHAEL EADDY

Attested by:

/s/ MAX A. CAPRONI Executive Director Police Board