



RIVERDALE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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COMPLAINT CONCERNING POLICE PRACTICES

(TODAY'S DATE)

YOUR NAME: _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____
(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE INITIAL)

YOUR ADDRESS: _____
(STREET) (APARTMENT NUMBER)

(CITY OR TOWN) (STATE) (ZIP CODE) (HOME/CELL PHONE NUMBER)

WHERE CAN YOU BE REACHED DURING THE DAY? _____

IF YOU ARE VISITING THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA, WHERE CAN YOU BE CONTACTED IN THIS AREA?

(ADDRESS) (PHONE NUMBER)

WHEN AND WHERE DID THE INCIDENT THAT YOU ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT OCCUR? _____
(DATE AND TIME)

(ADDRESS OF INCIDENT- DESCRIBE LOCATION)

LIST THE NAMES OF THE OFFICER(S) INVOLVED:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

ARE THESE OFFICERS FROM THE RIVERDALE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT? YES NO

PLEASE LIST ANY IDENTIFICATION OF THE OFFICER THAT YOU KNOW (ID NUMBER, CAR NUMBER, PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION, ETC.)

LIST THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ANY WITNESSES TO THE EVENT THAT YOU ARE MAKING THIS COMPLAINT ABOUT:

1. _____ 2. _____

WHAT IS YOUR COMPLAINT AND PLEASE IN YOUR OWN WORDS, DESCRIBE WHAT HAPPENED. (USE EXTRA PAPER IF NECESSARY AND ATTACH TO THIS FORM)

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED FOR COMPLAINTS OF EXCESSIVE FORCE. THIS INFORMATION IS NOT INTENDED TO DISCOURAGE LEGITIMATE COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS; IN FACT, THE VALIDITY OF A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION DEPENDS UPON TIMELY AND TRUTHFUL INFORMATION.

SECTION 3-104

A complaint against a law enforcement officer, alleging the use of excessive force in the execution of his/her duties, may not be investigated unless the complaint is sworn to by the aggrieved person, a member of the aggrieved person's immediate family, by any person present at the alleged incident, someone who has a video recording of the incident, that, to the individual's knowledge, is unaltered, or by the parent or guardian in the case of a minor child. An investigation which could lead to disciplinary action under this subtitle for excessive force may not be initiated and an action may not be taken unless **the complaint is filed within 366 days of the alleged excessive force incident.**

CRIMINAL LAW
TITLE 9. CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
SUBTITLE 5. FALSE STATEMENTS

Md. CRIMINAL LAW Code Ann. § 9-501 (2016)

§ 9-501. False statement -- To law enforcement officer

(a) Prohibited. -- A person may not make, or cause to be made, a statement, report, or complaint that the person knows to be false as a whole or in material part, to a law enforcement officer of the State, of a county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, or of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Police with intent to deceive and to cause an investigation or other action to be taken as a result of the statement, report, or complaint.

(b) Penalty. -- A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 6 months or a fine not exceeding \$ 500 or both.

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED FOR COMPLAINTS OF EXCESSIVE FORCE:

I do solemnly declare and affirm under penalty of perjury that I have read or have had read to me the foregoing laws pertaining to this complaint and that the contents of this document are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____