



# Brooklet Police Department

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To: Charles Dutton

From: Chief Brian A. Mundy

Reference: IA 2018-001

Date: March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Officer C. Dutton,

Findings of Internal Investigations case number IA 2018-001 are as follows:

Department Policy violations;

**BPD SOP 5.8.4 Procedure for Off Duty Action;**

- A. First, go to a safe location and call 911.
- B. Second, when you encounter a situation off-duty that seems to require action, you must consciously evaluate whether your involvement is necessary or desirable, given the circumstances. How important and urgent is then need for your intervention?
- C. Your intervention may actually spark an escalation of violence. Therefore, your best plan of action may be to; gather accurate intelligence like a good witness until uniformed, on-duty officers arrive. Remember you have no legal or departmental obligation to get involved.

**BPD SOP 5.1.11 Training;** The department shall conduct annual in-service training on ethics.

**Criminal Violations;**

**O.C.G.A. 16-5-42 False Imprisonment under color of legal process.** Sergeant Baker did make an unlawful traffic stop, which is a form of arrest called a detention per the State of Georgia. In the video when Mrs. Lee asks several times the reason for the stop, Sgt. Baker tells her it is for copping an attitude. There is no Georgia Code for copping an attitude. Officer Dutton also violated this law in that Officer Dutton arrived on scene and participated in the traffic stop.

**Civil Violations:**

The civil violations have been deferred to the City Attorney.

Based on the Standard Operating Procedures and Criminal Violations, it has been determined that you will be placed on un-paid suspension for five (5) days and a probationary period of six (6) months. A copy of IA 2018-001 will be placed in your personal file.

While on suspension, you will park your assigned patrol car at the Police Department and you will give the Chief of Police your badge and credentials. You will not participate in any law enforcement actions or activity.

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Brian A. Mundy

Chief of Police

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William Griffth

Councilman