

Professional Standards Bureau
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IA2016-0761	12/14/2016	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Detention Officer failed to perform a proper and complete security walk. Additionally, the Detention Officer failed to conduct a proper ID headcount during the evening meal distribution. Because of the improper headcount, the Officer was unaware an inmate had been assaulted by another.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Performance or Dereliction of Duty CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Insubordination	Sustained Sustained Not-Sustained	Employee Suspended	The Detention Officer was found to have had an inmate assist with meal distribution which led to the inmate assaulting another inmate. The Officer did not complete a proper ID check during meal distribution so he was unaware of the assault. It was found the Detention Officer was not given a direct order not to have inmates assist with meal distribution.	9/1/2017
IA2017-0156	2/15/2017	Internal Complaint	It is alleged that a Detention Officer was spreading rumors or gossip about another Detention Officer to an inmate.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Associations and Fraternization with Inmates or Prisoners CP2 - Code of Conduct - Individual Responsibility	Sustained Not-Sustained	Employee Suspended N/A	The Detention Officer admitted and took responsibility for making a mistake in judgement when she directly spoke to or entertained questions from inmates about another Detention Officer. There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Detention Lieutenant involved used intimidation as a retaliatory tactic to halt the submission of the complaint.	9/1/2017
IA2017-0204	3/13/2017	Internal Complaint	It is alleged a Detention Sergeant and a Detention Officer engaged in inappropriate contact while on-duty in a County facility.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct CP3 - Workplace Professionalism CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct CP3 - Workplace Professionalism CP3 - Workplace Professionalism	Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained	Employee Suspended Employee Resigned	The Detention Sergeant admitted he and the Detention Officer had been involved in a relationship and engaged in sexual activity while on duty.	9/1/2017
CIA2016-0021	8/9/2016	Internal Complaint Criminal	A Detention Officer observed a CHS nurse have her hands on the genitals of an inmate in a closed exam room, without a witness or third party observer.	[No allegations]	Unfounded	N/A	The allegations were found to be false and not supported by fact. It was found the inmate was being examined due to pre-existing medical issues.	9/5/2017
CIA2017-0021	6/20/2017	External Complaint Criminal	The complainant alleged a Detention Officer assaulted his fiancé, who is an inmate within an MCSO jail facility,	[No allegations]	Exceptionally Cleared	N/A	The video surveillance did not support the allegations and the inmate refused to talk with investigators.	9/6/2017
CIA2017-0022	6/20/2017	External Complaint Criminal	The complainant alleged that a Detention Officer slammed his head against a door and two other unknown Detention Officers pressed his face and body against the door.	[No allegations] [No allegations]	Exceptionally Cleared	N/A	The Inmate admitted to disobeying commands due to his disrupted behavior. The inmate was not willing to aid in prosecution at this time.	9/6/2017
IA2017-0067	1/18/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged her son was mistreated while in the custody of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody	Exonerated	N/A	It was found the complainant's allegations of mistreatment were against the medical staff withholding treatment (non-MCSO employees.) The Detention Staff within the 4th Avenue Jail facility were found to have acted within MCSO policy and procedures.	9/6/2017
IA2017-0088	1/24/2017	Internal Complaint	It was alleged that a Detention Officer failed to correctly identify the location to transport an inmate after her court date; this led to the inmate being transported to the incorrect jail facility.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Sustained Sustained	Employee Suspended Written Reprimand	The Detention Officers involved admitted to incorrectly transferring an inmate to the wrong jail facility.	9/6/2017
IA2017-0112	1/31/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy "overextended his authority of a senior citizen" by arresting her for a DUI. Additionally, she alleged he lied about her refusing to take an alcohol test.	CP8 - Preventing Racial and Other Biased Based profiling CP5 - Truthfulness	Exonerated Unfounded	N/A	The Deputy was found to be within MCSO policy and procedure when he arrested the complainant for impairment after she was involved in a vehicle accident and after the complainant made statements about her impairment that were captured and later verified on the Deputy's body worn camera. The allegations regarding the Deputy lying were found to be false and not supported by fact.	9/6/2017
IA2017-0189	3/6/2017	External Complaint	A contract jail nurse alleged that she has been sexually harassed by various Detention Officers.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP3 - Workplace Professionalism CP3 - Workplace Professionalism CP3 - Workplace Professionalism	Not-Sustained Not-Sustained Not-Sustained Not-Sustained	N/A	There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegations made by the complainant. It is unknown who made the inappropriate comments or who sent the inappropriate pictures.	9/6/2017
IA2017-0094	1/24/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged she was handcuffed behind her back while being transported in the jail van. She alleged, due to the Officer's driving, she hit her face and fell to the floor. She also alleged the Detention Officers dragged her out of the van.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Office Vehicle and Driving CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Office Vehicle and Driving CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Performance or Dereliction of Duty	Not-Sustained Exonerated Exonerated Not-Sustained Exonerated Exonerated Exonerated	N/A N/A N/A	There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Detention Officers were driving reckless. The Officers did not report unusual road conditions nor did they recall excessive speeds, abrupt turns, or sudden stops. The vehicle tracking information shows the vehicle was driven according to policy and procedures. The Jail Wagon procedures require Detention Officers to document the application of handcuffs. Per the documentation, the Detention Officers acted within MCSO policy and procedure. The Deputy who originally arrested her, was found to have made a valid arrest and acted within MCSO policy and state law.	9/7/2017

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IA2016-0660	11/1/2016	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Detention Officer used unnecessary force against an inmate in the psychiatric unit of the Medical Services Division.	CP1-Use of Force	Exonerated	N/A	The Detention Officer was found to have been within MCSO policy and procedures. The Officer was heard making verbal commands to the inmate and the inmate failed to comply.	9/8/2017
IA2016-0759	12/13/2016	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Detention ID tech was behaving unprofessionally when she made sexual remarks in the workplace.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Not-Sustained	N/A	The Detention ID Tech did not knowingly or intentionally use curse words in a derogatory or unprofessional manner. The context of the conversation was discussing the actions and language of an inmate.	9/8/2017
IA2017-0024	1/6/2017	External Complaint	An Inmate alleged a Detention Sergeant identified him in a Disciplinary Action Report (DAR) as giving information to support the rule violation. The inmate believes because of this DAR, he was threatened and assaulted.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Performance or Dereliction of Duty	Unfounded	N/A	The inmate failed to provide any evidence in support of his allegations against the Detention Sergeant. The inmate was not reported on paperwork available to other inmates.	9/8/2017
IA2017-0127	2/6/2017	External Complaint	In a handwritten letter to Sheriff Penzone, an inmate alleged several Detention Officers have released his employment, volunteer, and current case information to other inmates.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Associations and Fraternalization with Inmates or Prisoners CP2 - Code of Conduct - Associations and Fraternalization with Inmates or Prisoners CP2 - Code of Conduct - Associations and Fraternalization with Inmates or Prisoners CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unethical Conduct CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unethical Conduct CP2 - Code of Conduct - Associations and Fraternalization with Inmates or Prisoners CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Unfounded Unfounded Unfounded Not-Sustained Unfounded Unfounded Unfounded	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the inmate's claims regarding a Detention Officer stating "I never side with an inmate. I back my officers, period." The inmate's claims about Detention Staff was false and not supported by fact.	9/8/2017
IA2017-0216	3/22/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that a Detention Officer did not interact with him in a professional manner.	CP1-Use of Force CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody	Unfounded Exonerated	N/A	The allegation of excessive force against the Detention Officer was found to be false and not supported by fact, based on multiple security surveillance videos. The Detention Officer was found to be within MCSO policy and procedure with the complainant while he was in custody.	9/8/2017
CIA2017-0012	4/24/2017	Internal Complaint Criminal	The complainant, a Detention Officer, alleged that two other Detention Officers held him down and grabbed his breasts while another Detention Officer watched.	ARS13-1203, Assault ARS13-2921, Harrassment ARS13-1203, Assault ARS13-2921, Harrassment	Arrest	Arrest	The Maricopa County Attorney's Office charged the suspects.	9/11/2017
IA2017-0119	2/10/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Detective seized over \$1000 from him and the Detective failed to provide him with a receipt. Additionally, the complainant alleged he was targeted and racially profiled by the Detective.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP8 - Preventing Racial and Other Biased Based profiling	Exonerated Unfounded	N/A	The Detention Officer was found to have acted lawfully when he seized the money from the complainant. The Detective followed the proper MCSO procedures for the documentation and disposition of the money seized so he was not required to provide a receipt to the complainant. The complainant did not have any supporting statements or evidence to support the allegation of being targeted because of race; the related Incident Reports did not contain indicators of any alleged bias.	9/12/2017
IA2016-0347	6/28/2016	External Complaint	The complainant reported he did not like the way the Deputy had treated him. The complainant alleged that Deputies "assumed too much" about the incident.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Performance or Dereliction of Duty CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Performance or Dereliction of Duty	Exonerated Exonerated Exonerated Exonerated	N/A N/A	The Deputies were found to have acted within MCSO Policy, Procedure, and Training. The Body Worn Camera footage showed the Deputies investigated each of the complainants claims	9/13/2017
IA2017-0147	2/10/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged the Detective assigned to her reported theft investigation identified the wrong suspect as well as coerced that suspect into confessing. The complainant additionally alleges the Detective refused to return her stolen property to her. Furthermore, the complainant alleged the overall conduct of the Detective was unprofessional.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor GJ14 Victims Bill of Rights GJ14 Victims Bill of Rights	Unfounded Unfounded Unfounded Exonerated	N/A	There was no evidence that shows the Detective used coercion to any extent. All recordings and interviews conducted by the Detective show he acted professionally with all involved parties. The actions of the Detective regarding the stolen property were found to be within MCSO policy and procedures.	9/13/2017
IA2017-0199	3/10/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that several deputies were harassing him during their response to a welfare check call for service. The complainant would not go into detail or specify the nature of harassment he suffered just that for the past several years he has felt as though the MCSO has made it a habit or practice of harassing him.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Exonerated	N/A	The actions of the Deputies were found to be within MCSO policy and procedure.	9/13/2017
IA2017-0200	3/10/2017	Internal Complaint	The complainant alleged that a Detention Lieutenant caused a hostile work environment and felt retaliated against for requesting a formal review of an Employee Performance Appraisal produced by the Lieutenant.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP11 - Anti-Retaliation	Sustained Not-Sustained	Written Reprimand	It was found the Detention Lieutenant did not complete his assignment properly and his actions did not conform to work standards established for his rank or position. There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove his actions were related to retaliation against the employee.	9/13/2017

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IA2017-0263	4/12/2017	External Complaint	During a PSB interview about unrelated issues, an inmate alleged that a Detention Officer and other unknown Detention Officers mistreated and used disparaging comments regarding another inmate. Additionally, it is alleged that those same Detention Officers slammed the inmate on the floor and tased him.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody	Exonerated Exonerated Exonerated Exonerated Exonerated	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	There was no evidence to support the inmates allegations regarding the safety of the inmates involved. It was found that the actions of the Detention Officers were within MCSO policy and procedures.	9/13/2017
IA2017-0124	2/6/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that he was confronted and treated poorly by three possible undercover officers.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Exonerated Exonerated	N/A N/A	The complainant never gave a reason as to why he believed he was treated unfairly. Due to the complainant failing to appear for interviews and failing to respond to numerous attempts of contact by the investigators, and the lack of specificity, the Detention Officer and Deputy were found to have acted within MCSO policy and procedures.	9/14/2017
IA2017-0255	4/11/2017	Internal Complaint	During a recent PSB interview in IA2016-0649, a Detention Officer revealed that another Detention Officer disclosed to him that he uses steroids. He also disclosed that this Detention Officer damaged a microwave at the Lower Buckeye Jail.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Conformance to Established Laws CP2 - Code of Conduct - Care and Use of Office or County Equipment CP2 - Code of Conduct - Individual Responsibility	Not-Sustained Sustained Sustained	Written Reprimand Written Reprimand	It was found that the Detention Officer damaged a MCSO owned microwave oven and telephone. The original reporting Detention Officer was found to have failed to report the misconduct to the Professional Standards. There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Detention Officer had used steroids.	9/14/2017
IA2017-0257	4/11/2017	Internal Complaint	It is alleged that a Detention Officer was sleeping on duty at Lower Buckeye Jail.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Sleeping On-Duty	Sustained	Written Reprimand	The Detention Officer admitted to falling asleep while on duty.	9/14/2017
IA2017-0266	4/13/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that a Detention Officer slammed his arm in the door while in custody.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody	Not-Sustained	N/A	There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegations against the Detention Officer.	9/14/2017
IA2017-0275	4/20/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that two Deputies lied to her about her son having warrants during her son's arrest.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Exonerated Exonerated	N/A N/A	The Deputies were found to have acted lawfully and were within MCSO policy and procedure.	9/14/2017
IA2016-0445	8/12/2016	External Complaint	It is alleged a Deputy was rude, aggressive, and intimidating in his verbal tone as he interacted with the complainant during a traffic stop he conducted.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unethical Conduct CP2 - Code of Conduct - Conformance to Office Directives EB2 - Traffic Stop Data Collection EB1 - Traffic Enforcement EB1 - Traffic Enforcement CP2 - Code of Conduct - Insubordination CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards EB1 - Traffic Enforcement	Not-Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained	Employee Suspended	There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Deputy was rude or verbally aggressive. It was found that the Deputy did, in fact, conduct a traffic stop and did not collect the required traffic stop data and there was no record within MCSO systems that a traffic stop had occurred. The Deputy did not take any enforcement against the alleged violator and was in an unmarked vehicle and out of uniform.	9/15/2017
CIA2017-0015	5/6/2017	External Complaint Criminal	The complainant alleged that she believes one of the arresting Deputies, during her arrest at a search warrant, took her diamond ring.	[No allegations] [No allegations] [No allegations] [No allegations]	Inactive	N/A	There was a lack of suspect and investigative leads. Based on the Body Worm Camera video footage and interviews, no information was obtained to identify a suspect.	9/18/2017
CIA2017-0028	7/26/2017	Internal Complaint Criminal	It is alleged that during a physical altercation, a Detention Officer used excessive force causing an inmate to be hospitalized.	[No allegations]	Exceptionally Cleared	N/A	The Maricopa County Attorney's Office turned down criminal prosecution due to "No Reasonable Likelihood of Prosecution." There was insufficient evidence to corroborate the Inmate's version of the events when compared to the video.	9/18/2017
IA2017-0155	2/15/2017	External Complaint	It is alleged that a Detention Officer attempted to have an ASU PD officer run a license plate, for personal reasons, to obtain the registered owner's name. The ASU PD officer refused the request.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Sustained Sustained Sustained	Written Reprimand Written Reprimand	It was determined one Detention Officer did request an ASU PD Officer to run a license plate number for personal use. It was found that another Detention Officer was the originating requestor and asked his partnering Officer if he knew someone that could run a license plate.	9/18/2017
IA2017-0175	2/24/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that a dispatcher hung up on him while reporting a crime and the supervisor did not take action.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor GB2 - Command Responsibility	Exonerated	N/A	It was found the Dispatcher Trainee and Dispatch Supervisor acted within MCSO policy and procedure in response to the complainant becoming profane.	9/18/2017
IA2017-0205	3/13/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that the deputy acted unprofessionally during a traffic stop.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Unfounded	N/A	After review of body worn camera footage, the Deputy was found to have been polite and professional. The allegations were found to be false and not supported by fact.	9/18/2017
IA2017-0212	3/21/2017	Internal Complaint	It is alleged that a Detention Officer attempted to use marijuana while at his residence. Additionally, he had several open containers of beer, from the prior day, in his vehicle when he became involved in a multi-vehicle fatal accident. He was not at fault for the accident.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Conformance to Established Laws	Sustained	Employee Resigned	The Detention Officer admitted to attempting to smoke marijuana from a pipe while off duty at his residence.	9/19/2017

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IA2017-0039	1/11/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Detention Officer was rude to her when she tried to pick up her property two days in a row. It was also alleged he treated other visitors in the same disrespectful way.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Not-Sustained	N/A	Based on video footage, there was nothing to indicate the Detention Officer did not assist the complainant. Without the audio of the video footage, there was not enough evidence to prove or disprove the Detention Officer was speaking to the complainant in an unprofessional way.	9/20/2017
IA2017-0280	4/24/2017	Internal Complaint	A posse member was involved in an at-fault vehicle accident in a posse vehicle.	GE4 - Use/Operation of Vehicles	Sustained	Coaching	The Posseman was found to have been involved in an at-fault accident in a MCSO issued vehicle.	9/25/2017
IA2017-0178	2/24/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged Deputies detained him unlawfully, used excessive force, and were rude to him during an investigation. The complainant alleged they acted that way because there are "racists." Additionally, it was alleged one of the Detective stated to the complainant he could make up evidence to show he was guilty of a crime and have him arrested.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP1 - Use of Force EA11 - Arrest procedures CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Unfounded Exonerated Exonerated Unfounded	N/A	It was found the complainant's allegation of the Detective being "racist" was false and not supported by fact; the complainant was unable to provide specifics as to comments or situations where he felt they were "racists." The Detective was found to be within MCSO policy and procedure when he detained the complainant. There was no physical evidence or witness statements to corroborate the allegation of injury due to excessive force. Based on audio recordings, the allegation regarding the Detective's statements was found to be false and not supported by fact.	9/28/2017
IA2017-0481	7/16/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that three Deputies treated her unprofessionally and used race as a factor for contact.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP8 - Preventing Racial and Other Biased Based profiling CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP8 - Preventing Racial and Other Biased Based profiling CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP8 - Preventing Racial and Other Biased Based profiling	Exonerated Unfounded Not-Sustained Unfounded Exonerated Unfounded	N/A N/A N/A	The Deputies were found to be within MCSO policy when they detained the complainants to break up a physical altercation. The allegations of bias against the complainants were found to be false and not supported by fact. There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove one of the Deputies used profane language with the complainants.	9/28/2017
IA2017-0132	2/7/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged that he was pulled over at gun point without a valid reason. Additionally, he alleged that the Deputy was responding to a call in the area looking for a Suburban; the complainant was driving a Tahoe and said that the Deputy should know the difference.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards EA11 - Arrest procedures	Exonerated Exonerated	N/A	The actions of the Deputy were found to be within MCSO policy and procedures.	9/29/2017