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IA2016-0780	12/22/2016	External Complaint	The complainant alleged the Deputy activated his lights and siren to drive through two intersections. Additionally, the complainant alleged the Deputy was driving recklessly and almost caused an accident.	CP4 - Emergency and Pursuit Driving CP4 - Emergency and Pursuit Driving	Not-Sustained Not-Sustained	N/A	Due to the position of the Deputy's body worn camera, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Deputy activated his lights and siren to go through two intersections and was driving recklessly, nearly causing two accidents.	8/18/2020
IA2017-0346	5/21/2017	Internal Complaint	The complainant alleged another Deputy was posting disparaging remarks on a dating website about him to another person.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Rumors or Gossip CP2 - Code of Conduct - Social Networking Sites CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Unfounded Unfounded Unfounded	N/A	It was found the conversation occurred with the other person in a private message setting after the person asked the Deputy's personal opinions. The allegation of the Deputy publicly posting disparaging remarks was found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/27/2020
IA2017-0384	6/4/2017	Internal Complaint	The complainant alleged a Business Systems Analyst, a Quality Assurance Analyst Senior, and a Detention Officer, all part of the TraCS team, "bullied" him and created a hostile work environment by verbally berating him during a meeting. Additionally, he alleged the Business Systems Analyst was trying to get him fired when she sent a misleading email to his supervisor advising he no longer wished to perform his job duties.	CP3 - Workplace Professionalism CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP3 - Workplace Professionalism CP3 - Workplace Professionalism	Not-Sustained Not-Sustained Not-Sustained	N/A N/A N/A	Due to a lack of independent witnesses present in the meeting, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the employees were hostile or "bullied" the complainant. Due to a difference in perception, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Business Systems Analyst was attempting to get the complainant fired.	8/7/2020
IA2017-0559	8/13/2017	External Complaint	An inmate submitted a grievance alleging a Detention Officer used profanities toward him and tased him. Additionally, he alleged the Officer kicked his arm while it was inside the cell trap and laughed at him when he screamed for help. During a supervisor review, it was alleged a Detention Officer may have inappropriately used his Taser to strike an inmate.	CP1-Use of Force CP1-Use of Force CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP1-Use of Force	Exonerated Exonerated Not-Sustained Not-Sustained Unfounded	N/A	Due to jail surveillance not having sound, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Detention Officer used profanities toward the inmate or laughed at the inmate when he screamed for help. Additionally, the Officer was found within MCSO training when he tased the non-compliant inmate and used his Taser to strike the inmate. The allegation of the Officer kicking the inmate's arm while in the cell trap was found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/21/2020
IA2017-0597	8/23/2017	External Complaint	The inmate complainant alleged two Detention Officers sexually harassed him when they strip searched him and conducted the search in the presence of another inmate. The complainant alleged one Officer used inappropriate language during the search.	GJ28 - Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) DH3 - Contraband Control GJ28 - Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) DH3 - Contraband Control CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Unfounded Unfounded Exonerated Not-Sustained Unfounded	N/A N/A	The physical actions and commands given by the first Detention Officer during the strip search were found to be within MCSO policy and procedure. Due to witness statements, it was found the Officer did not use inappropriate language during the search; the allegation was found to be false or not supported by fact. There was also insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Officer purposely conducted a strip search in front of the other inmate. Based on statements made by the complainant and video surveillance footage, it was found the other Detention Officer did not sexually harass the complainant nor did he conduct a strip search; the allegations were found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/7/2020
IA2017-0745	10/11/2017	Internal Complaint	It was reported one of the Adult Business Licensing cash drawers was found to have a \$20 overage.	GD12 - Collecting, Safeguarding and Disbursing Cash	Exonerated	N/A	Although there was an overage in the cash drawer, it was found the overage was due to human error. It was found this was not intentional and not a regular occurrence. The Sheriff's Records Specialist was found to be within MCSO policy and procedure.	8/11/2020
IA2017-0914	12/19/2017	External Complaint	The complainant alleged she was sexually assaulted by an Unknown Employee while being placed in a safe cell in 2009 and again in 2017.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Treatment of Persons in Custody	Unfounded	N/A	Review of jail surveillance video, safe cell video, and witness statements found the allegation of sexual assault in 2017 was false or not supported by fact. It was found the complainant was not in our custody in 2009, therefore no misconduct was identified.	8/12/2020
IA2018-0081	2/2/2018	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Detention Officer admitted to accessing the Jail Management System (JMS) for personal reasons.	GF1 - Criminal Justice Data Systems	Exonerated	N/A	It was found the Detention Officer used the JMS system for work related purposes.	8/10/2020
IA2018-0440	7/9/2018	External Complaint	The complainant alleged the Deputy did not want to take a report. Additionally, she alleged the Deputy was rude to a member of the Salt River Wild Horse Group.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Unfounded Unfounded	N/A	It was found the Deputy was willing to take a report but the complainant failed to cooperate when she discovered she would receive a citation as well, causing her to leave the area and not press charges. The body worn camera footage showed the Deputy was courteous and professional throughout the entire incident. The allegations against the Deputy were found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/18/2020
IA2018-0457	7/16/2018	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Detective deleted a recorded victim interview.	GE3 - Property Management	Sustained	Employee Suspended	It was found the Detective violated policy when he deleted a recorded conversation with the victim.	8/10/2020

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IA2019-0040	1/31/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy was unprofessional by bringing up a personal issue that had nothing to do with the call for service. It was also alleged the Deputy did not properly handle the child abuse investigation. Additionally, it was also alleged the Deputy did not properly or thoroughly complete the incident report.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor GF5 - Incident Report Guidelines	Sustained Not-Sustained Sustained	Written Reprimand	Review of body worn camera footage showed there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the ambiguous comment made by the Deputy referred to a personal issue of the complainant. It was found the Deputy did not properly handle the child abuse investigation and did not properly or thoroughly document his interviews in his incident report.	8/27/2020
IA2019-0042	1/31/2019	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Detention Officer failed to remove his firearm and loaded magazines prior to entering a secured area of a jail facility.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Sustained	Coaching	The Detention Officer admitted he unintentionally brought his firearm into the secured jail facility.	8/26/2020
IA2019-0059	2/11/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Detention Officer was rude and yelled at a Lower Buckeye visitor.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Unfounded	N/A	Based on jail surveillance video and witness statements the allegation of rude behavior and yelling on behalf of the Detention Officer was found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/12/2020
IA2019-0114	3/18/2019	External Complaint	The complainants alleged a Deputy had no right to run the license plate of their vehicle. Additionally, the complainants alleged the Deputy was threatening due to the Deputy being taller than him. The male complainant also alleged the Deputy was rude and the Deputy looked down on him and acted like he was a "peon."	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor GD1 - General Office Procedures CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Not-Sustained Exonerated Not-Sustained	N/A	It was found the Deputy's action of running the license plate was within MCSO policy and procedure. Due to personal perception, there was insufficient evidence to prove the Deputy's straight forward approach and body language were demeaning, condescending, and rude.	8/27/2020
IA2019-0324	6/26/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy refused to be his trustee and looked at him like he wanted to kill him.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Not-Sustained	N/A	It was found the Deputy does not have to be involved in criminal or civil proceedings unless instructed by a judge. Additionally, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the perception of the look from the Deputy to the complainant.	8/11/2020
IA2019-0349	7/15/2019	Internal Complaint	A Deputy reported he was involved in an injury accident while emergency driving with lights and sirens activated. It was alleged the Deputy failed to drive with due regard while operating an MCSO vehicle while engaged in emergency driving.	CP4 - Emergency and Pursuit Driving	Sustained	Employee Suspended	It was found the Deputy failed to drive with due regard while operating an MCSO vehicle while emergency driving.	8/25/2020
IA2019-0353	7/15/2019	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Detention Officer threw an object causing damage to a large screen monitor.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Care and Use of Office or County Equipment	Sustained	Written Reprimand	The Detention Officer admitted to throwing a highlighter across the room, causing damage to a flat screen monitor.	8/18/2020
IA2019-0369	7/23/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Dispatch Detention Officer was rude to her on the phone. She alleged the Deputy was dismissive, disrespectful, sarcastic, and cut her off when she was speaking.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Unfounded	N/A	A review of the recorded phone call revealed there was no evidence that the Detention Officer was discourteous. The allegation was found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/12/2020
IA2019-0415	8/12/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged Deputies failed to remove a pile of dirty needles from a parking lot after he reported it.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Sustained Unfounded Sustained Sustained	Coaching N/A Coaching Written Reprimand	It was found two Deputies and a Sergeant failed to make a reasonable decision by not collecting the needles immediately. The allegation for the other Deputy was found to be false or not supported by fact since he was not present during the incident.	8/25/2020
IA2019-0422	8/19/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a she did not receive a call back from the Deputy after she reported her brother as missing. Additionally, she alleged the Deputy did not provide her with an update after her brother was found.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Exonerated Unfounded	N/A	Review of CAD reports and recordings showed the Deputy was not aware the complainant wanted a call back. It was also found the Deputy was within MCSO policy and procedure when he did not contact the complainant after each investigative action.	8/27/2020
IA2019-0463	9/10/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged Deputies refused to take a report regarding the threatening voice mails he had received.	GF5 - Incident Report Guidelines GF5 - Incident Report Guidelines	Sustained Unfounded	Employee Suspended N/A	It was found one Deputy violated policy by not authoring a report after it was requested by the complainant. It was found the other Deputy authored a report after the call for service after seeking guidance from his supervisor. The allegation for the second Deputy was found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/27/2020
IA2019-0477	9/18/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy was a jerk and rude by calling her grandson a liar and using profanity during a call for service.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Unfounded	N/A	The body worn camera footage showed the Deputy did not call the complainant's grandson names nor did he curse in his presence. The allegation was found to be false or not supported by fact	8/18/2020
IA2019-0489	9/25/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy Sergeant was speeding through a school zone. During review of the GPS data, it was alleged the Deputy was driving above the speed limit while approaching another intersection.	GE4 - Use/Operation of Vehicles GE4 - Use/Operation of Vehicles	Not-Sustained Not-Sustained	N/A	Due to the complainant not participating in the investigation, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Deputy was speeding in the school zone. Additionally, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the legitimacy of the Deputy driving above the speed limit for traffic enforcement purposes.	8/18/2020

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IA2019-0491	9/25/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Detention Officer was rude and unprofessional. Additionally, she alleged the Sergeant unfairly revoked her visitation privileges with her son.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Exonerated Not-Sustained	N/A	It was found the Detention Sergeant was within MCSO policy and procedure when he revoked the complainant's visitation privileges. Due to a difference in perception, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Sergeant was rude or unprofessional.	8/21/2020
IA2019-0501	10/3/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Sergeant referred to her husband as a "large, intimidating looking man." The complainant alleged the statement was condescending.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Exonerated	N/A	Body worn camera footage provided clear evidence the Deputy was within MCSO policy and procedure. The complainant admitted she was frustrated by the situation and took the comment out of context.	8/11/2020
IA2019-0570	11/12/2019	External Complaint	It was reported a Detention Officer was arrested for pointing a firearm to Phoenix Police Officers.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Conformance to Established Laws	Sustained	Previously Resigned/Retired	It was found the Detention Officer pointed his firearm at Phoenix Police Officers.	8/12/2020
IA2019-0573	11/12/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy threatened to charge him with a crime during a call for service.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Exonerated	N/A	It was found the Deputy was using an investigative technique when he told the complainant he would charge him. The Deputy was found to have been within MCSO policy and procedure.	8/11/2020
IA2019-0594	11/27/2019	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy took her contact information during a call for service and later contacted her by phone and social media. In their conversations, the complainant alleged the Deputy gave her bad advice and told her she did not need to go to court reference the citation he issued her.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Abuse of Position or Authority CP2 - Code of Conduct - Employee Relationships with Victims, Witnesses, Informants, or Other Such Individuals CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unethical Conduct	Sustained Sustained Sustained Sustained	Employee Terminated	It was found the Deputy was unprofessional and abused his position by contacting the complainant after a call for service to initiate a possible dating relationship. It was also found his actions would have conflicted with his official duties as a Deputy.	8/7/2020
IA2019-0635	1/1/2020	External Complaint	The complainant alleged Deputies refused to respond and investigate allegations of animal cruelty during two calls for service.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Unfounded Unfounded	N/A N/A	Review of CAD reports and patrol activity logs showed the two Deputies responded and investigated the two calls for service; the allegations were found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/11/2020
IA2020-0023	1/16/2020	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Detention Officer was rude to her when she yelled at her for not showing her ID badge prior to entering the jail facility.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Not-Sustained	N/A	Due to conflicting witness statements and the lack of audio in jail surveillance video, there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Detention Officer was rude.	8/10/2020
IA2020-0067	2/6/2020	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy was driving unsafely by speeding and driving at an unsafe distance from other vehicles without lights and sirens.	GE4 - Use/Operation of Vehicles	Not-Sustained	N/A	There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Deputy was driving unsafely.	8/27/2020
IA2020-0111	3/9/2020	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Dispatcher failed to disclose to MCSO background investigators his previous attempt of force to engage in a sexual act.	CP5 - Truthfulness	Sustained	Employee Terminated	It was found the Dispatcher intentionally withheld his criminal history to gain employment with the MCSO.	8/26/2020
IA2020-0122	3/13/2020	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy was abrasive and demeaning toward him and failed to provide him with assistance or direction when he reported an incident with an aggressive driver.	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor CP2 - Code of Conduct - Failure to Meet Standards	Unfounded Unfounded	N/A	During the interaction with the complainant, the Deputy was professional and made multiple attempts to help resolve his concerns. The allegations were found to be false or not supported by fact.	8/27/2020
IA2020-0197	4/24/2020	External Complaint	The complainant alleged an Unknown Deputy went through a red light without its lights and siren on and nearly struck him while crossing in the intersection.	GE4 - Use/Operation of Vehicles	Not-Sustained	N/A	A search indicated no MCSO units were logged on in the area but there was insufficient evidence to prove a disprove an MCSO Deputy was not driving through the intersection at that time.	8/20/2020
IA2020-0213	4/29/2020	External Complaint	The complainant alleged a Deputy was rude and condescending on the phone during a call for service	CP2 - Code of Conduct - Unbecoming Conduct and Public Demeanor	Not-Sustained	N/A	It was determined there was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the Deputy was rude and condescending during the phone conversation.	8/27/2020
IA2020-0330	6/29/2020	Internal Complaint	It was alleged a Detention Officer documented security walks he did not complete.	DH6 - Inmate Supervision, Security Walks and Headcounts CP5 - Truthfulness	Sustained Sustained	Previously Resigned/Retired	It was found the Detention Officer was untruthful when he logged security walks he did not physically complete.	8/26/2020