Charges Filed with the Police Board

The following charges have been filed with the Police Board by the Superintendent of Police. The public is reminded that the filing of charges is not evidence of guilt. The accused officer is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair hearing at which the Superintendent has the burden of proving guilt by a preponderance of the evidence.

<u>CHARGES AGAINST</u> POLICE OFFICER NOBLE WILLIAMS

Police Officer Noble Williams, Star Number 7073, is charged with violating the following rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department, which were in full force and effect on the date of the alleged violations:

Rule 2:	Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to
	achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the
	Department.

- Rule 3: Any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals.
- Rule 6: Disobedience of an order or directive, whether oral or written.
- Rule 8: Disrespect or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty.
- Rule 9: Engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
- Rule 38: Unlawful or unnecessary use or display of a weapon.

SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. On or about August 21, 2019, at or near Chicago, Chicago, Illinois 60615, Officer Noble Williams ("Officer Williams") used deadly force that was not necessary to prevent death or great bodily harm from an imminent threat posed to Officer Williams or others, and was not necessary to prevent an arrest from being defeated where the person to be arrested posed an imminent threat of death or great bodily harm to Officer Williams or others unless arrested without delay, when he discharged his firearm at or in the direction of Bryant Nocentilli. Officer Williams thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 2, which prohibits any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - b. Rule 3, which prohibits any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - c. Rule 6, which prohibits any disobedience of an order or directive, whether oral or written, to wit: General Order 03-02 (Use of Force) and General Order 03-02-01 (Force Options);
 - d. Rule 8, which prohibits disrespect or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;

- e. Rule 9, which prohibits engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty; and/or
- f. Rule 38, which prohibits unlawful or unnecessary use or display of a weapon.
- 2. On or about August 21, 2019, at or near Chicago, Chicago, Illinois 60615, Officer Williams used Winchester 9mm Luger ammunition and Speer 9mm Luger ammunition in his weapon, failing to fully load his firearm with only one manufacturer and style of prescribed ammunition (same bullet type and grain weight). Officer Williams thereby violated:
 - a. Rule 6, which prohibits any disobedience of an order or directive, whether oral or written, to wit: Uniform and Property U04-02 (Department approved Weapons and Ammunition).

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends that Police Officer Noble Williams, Star Number 7073, be discharged from the Chicago Police Department.

DAVID O. BROWN Superintendent of Police

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