



**Office of the New York State
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Via E-mail

Commissioner Alphonso Wright
Buffalo Police Department
68 Court Street
Buffalo, NY 14202

Re: Executive Law § 75(5)(b) Referral of Police Officer Mitchell J. Thomas
OAG Matter No. 1-1-793389207

Dear Commissioner Wright,

I write in reference to your agency's February 5, 2022 referral of Police Officer Mitchell J. Thomas pursuant to Executive Law § 75(5)(b). We are closing Officer Thomas's referral on an administrative basis, without making a determination as to whether he engaged in a pattern or practice of misconduct, use of excessive force, or acts of dishonesty pursuant to § 75(5)(b), based on the understanding that he is no longer employed by your agency.

Please alert this office immediately if Officer Thomas is still employed by your agency or is rehired in the future.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you,

Tyler Nims
Chief
Law Enforcement Misconduct Investigative Office