



**Office of the New York State
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Chief Joseph Cecile
Syracuse Police Department
511 S. State Street
Syracuse, NY 13202

Via email

Re: Letter regarding Executive Law § 75(5)(b) Referral of Officer Nicklaus Hilts
OAG Matter No. Matter No. 1-794306627

Dear Chief Cecile,

We have reviewed your agency's Executive Law § 75(5)(b) referral of complaints involving Police Officer Nicklaus Hilts from September 2019 to December 2024.

Based on our review, we have not made a finding of a pattern or practice of misconduct, use of excessive force or acts of dishonesty by Officer Hilts.

We appreciate the cooperation of you and your agency.

Thank you,

Tyler Nims

Tyler Nims
Chief, Law Enforcement Misconduct Investigative Office