

Office of the New York State Attorney General

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<u>Via E-mail</u>
Chief Brendan Cox
Albany City Police Department
165 Henry Johnson Boulevard
Albany, NY 12210

Re: Letter regarding Executive Law § 75(5)(b) Referral of Police Officer Scott Moran

OAG Matter No. 1-818112918

Dear Chief Cox,

We have reviewed your agency's referral of Police Officer Scott Moran pursuant to Executive Law § 75(5)(b). 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 on the part of Officer Moran.

However, APD's internal investigation of Complaint CC2021-014 took more than 2.5 years, significantly longer than APD's 60-day target for such investigations under General Order 2.4.05. Specifically, APD's records note that despite being downloaded in 2021, there were no investigative notes regarding what was captured by body-worn camera footage and when it was discovered years later that the file was "no longer functional," the original footage could not be accessed because it had not been preserved within the relevant software. Further, when the involved officers were interviewed over two years after the incident, they could not recall what had occurred. Prompt investigations benefit complainants and involved officers alike, and the Office of the Attorney General recommends that APD meet the 60-day deadline for investigating complaints and ensure that all relevant evidentiary materials are preserved during the pendency of an investigation, as we understand APD has renewed efforts to do.

We appreciate the cooperation of you and your agency.

Thank you,

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