Commission on Peace Officer Standards & Training
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Report # POST2307388 - Agency Misconduct Report

REPORT DATE / TIME	DISTRICT / COUNTY / / /	EVENT START DATE / TIME - EVENT END DATE / TIME
May 1, 2023 14:36	Yolo	Jun 10, 2020 08:00 - 12:00

PRIMARY REPORTER	INVESTIGATING AGENCY
Salvatore Lombardo	West Sacramento Police Department

REPORT TAKEN LOCATION
1000 MAIN ST, WOODLAND, CA 95695

REPORTABLE EVENT TYPE

- ☐ 1029 Disqualifier
- ☐ Civil Settlement
- ■ Complaint, Charge, or Allegation
- ☐ Civil Judgment
- ☐ Civilian OIG Oversight/Review
- ☐ Court Finding

NARRATIVE

SUMMARY OF SERIOUS MISCONDUCT ALLEGATIONS:

Officer Raymond Barrantes arrested Marcelino Castaneda for possession of a stolen vehicle on 12/22/20. During a search of the vehicle incident to arrest several items of evidence were recovered from inside the vehicle. During the preliminary hearing Officer Barrantes testified that that he collected all the pieces of evidence that were recovered from inside the vehicle. Officer Barrantes' written report also articulated that he collected all the items from inside the vehicle. At the jury trial, under oath, Officer Barrantes admitted that he did not personally collect all the evidentiary items from the vehicle but other officers assisted with the search and some of them collected items of evidence. During the internal investigation Officer Barrantes admitted that he chose to articulate in his report that he collected the items so that the assisting officers would not be required to write a police report.

RELATED CASE(S)

None.

RELEVANT LAWS/POLICIES:

West Sacramento Police Department, Lexipol Policy #343 – Report Preparation.

PEACE OFFICER CURRENT STATUS:

Regular Duty

WITNESS INFORMATION:

DDA Michelle Sarafin

AGENCY INVESTIGATION DETAILS:

The original investigating officer, Matt Luis, retired prior to this submission and is no longer employed by the West Sacramento Police Department. This submittal is being completed by Lt. Sal Lombardo

On 06/10/21 Sgt. Matt Luis was contacted by Yolo County District Attorney's Office liaison, DDA Ryan Couzens regarding courtroom testimony by Officer Raymond Barrantes. According to DDA Ryan Couzens, the District Attorney's Office was placing Officer Barrantes on the "Brady" list due to his testimony in a jury trial.

An internal investigation was initiated by Sgt. Matt Luis. During the investigation Officer Barrantes was interviewed about his testimony and police report. It was learned that Officer Barrantes' police report was not accurate and he was dishonest while testifying in the criminal case. He articulated in his police report that he collected all the evidentiary items from inside the vehicle and testified to the same. It was learned that other officers had assisted in the search of the vehicle and collected some of the evidentiary items.

AGENCY INVESTIGATION STATUS/FINDINGS:

REPORTING OFFICER SIGNATURE / DATE	SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE / DATE
PRINT NAME	PRINT NAME
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The results of the internal investigation was a sustained finding that he violated policy #343 – Report Preparation. The sustained disposition of this case was October 7, 2021 with a proposed discipline of 160hrs suspension.. A Skelly hearing was conducted on December 16, 2021 where the proposed discipline was upheld.

COMPLAINANT-1

COMPLAINANT-1 (ORGANIZATION)
R-1 West Sacramento Police Department - 57040

ORGANIZATION TYPE
Law Enforcement

MAILING ADDRESS
WEST SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT, 550 JEFFERSON BLVD., WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605

PHONE NUMBER
(916) 617-4900 (Work Phone)

AGENCY MISCONDUCT

INVESTIGATION STATUS	AGENCY IA #	DATE/TIME AGENCY AWARE OF ALLEGED MISCONDUCT
Sustained	21IA-003	Jun 10, 2021 08:00

NUMBER OF PEACE OFFICERS INVOLVED IN INCIDENT	NUMBER OF AGENCIES INVOLVED IN INCIDENT
1	1

CITATION LOCATION
1000 MAIN ST, WOODLAND, CA 95695

MISCONDUCT CODE - 1
1205(a)(1) Dishonesty

SUBJECT OF INVESTIGATION: (ONLY ONE(1) OFFICER OR AGENCY)-1

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CR-1 BARRANTES, RAYMOND	[redacted]

SEX	RACE / ETHNICITY
Male	Unknown / Hispanic Or Latino

COURT CASE

COURT CASE TYPE	COURT NAME	COURT DATE / TIME
Criminal	YOLO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT	Feb 11, 2021 13:30

CASE NAME	NUMBER OF DEFENDANTS	DETAINED/ARRESTED
PEOPLE VS [redacted]	1	Yes

COURT CASE #
[redacted]

INVOLVED ORGANIZATIONS

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O-1 West Sacramento Police Department - 57040

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INVOLVEMENT TYPE
Employer

INVOLVED ORGANIZATION-2 NAME
O-2 YOLO COUNTY DA'S OFFICE

ORGANIZATION TYPE
Government

MAILING ADDRESS

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(530) 666-8180 (Work Phone)

INVOLVEMENT TYPE

Complainant

PERSON ADDENDUM

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PERSON TITLE	DOB / ESTIMATED AGE RANGE
RAYMOND	BARRANTES	POLICE OFFICER	[redacted]

RACE / ETHNICITY	SEX	DECEASED	POST ID
Unknown / Hispanic Or Latino	Male	☐ YES ■ NO	[redacted]

WORK ADDRESS-1	ENTERED DATE
WEST SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT, 550 JEFFERSON BLVD., WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605	May 1, 2023
EMPLOYER NAME-1	PHONE NUMBER
CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO	(916) 617-4900

EMPLOYER ADDRESS

1110 WEST CAPITOL AVE WEST SACRAMENTO CA 95691

OCCUPATION	EMPLOYMENT START - END DATE
POLICE OFFICER	2014-05-01 - ?

ORGANIZATION ADDENDUM

ORGANIZATION NAME

YOLO COUNTY DA'S OFFICE

ORGANIZATION TYPE

Government

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