



LEXINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
**PERSONNEL ORDER**  
Lexington, Kentucky

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TO:  
RESIGNATION

AMENDS:

INDEX AS:  
OFFICER  
SAMUEL SHEEHAN / 62248

RESCINDS:

This is to advise on the resignation of Officer Samuel Sheehan to be effective, January 9, 2026.

*Lawrence B. Weathers*

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Lawrence B. Weathers  
Chief of Police

LBW/rmh



Lexington-Fayette Urban County  
Division of Police  
**MEMORANDUM**  
Lexington, Kentucky

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December 19, 2025

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COP:  
25-0231

TO:

Commander David Biroshik  
Public Integrity Unit

SUBJECT:

Disciplinary Review Board -  
Formal Complaint PIU2025F-016/PIU2025F-  
020/PIU2025F-026  
Officer Samuel Sheehan / 62248

FROM:

Lawrence B. Weathers  
Chief of Police

I met with Officer Samuel Sheehan on Monday, December 15, 2025, in regards to formal complaint(s). Officer Sheehan has requested to have the formal complaint(s) referred to the Disciplinary Review Board.

Please convene the Disciplinary Review Board.

*Lawrence B. Weathers*

Lawrence B. Weathers  
Chief of Police

LBW/rmh

Attachment



LEXINGTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT  
**MEMORANDUM**  
Lexington, Kentucky

DATE OF ISSUE  
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NUMBER  
PIU 25-164

<p>TO: Lawrence Weathers Chief of Police</p>	<p>SUBJECT: Summary of Formal Complaint on Officer Samuel Sheehan PIU 2025F-026</p>
<p>FROM: Lieutenant Joe Anderson Bureau of Investigation Public Integrity Unit</p>	

Sir,

This memorandum will provide a synopsis of the investigation; however, other supporting documents may be viewed in conjunction with this memorandum.

On December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Lieutenant Guy Miller filed a formal complaint against Officer Samuel Sheehan #62248 that alleged the following:

*On Sunday November 9, 2025 while responding to a disorder at 367 W. Short Street in his department owned police car, Officer Sheehan struck another vehicle which was actively traveling on Main Street. Officer Sheehan was not responding with his emergency equipment activated prior to the incident, but did try to quickly turn them on while attempting to pass several vehicles at the time of the collision.*

*Once Officer Sheehan realized there had been a collision he stopped and looked at the vehicles, he then told the citizen who was still seated in their car that there was no damage to either vehicle and they were free to go. Officer Sheehan then left the scene and began back to the original incident he was responding to. Officer Sheehan failed to activate his Body Worn Camera, and did not report the incident at the time to any supervisor. It does appear prior to a later incident in the night, captured by Officer Sheehan's Body Worn Camera Footage he did observe damage to his vehicle.*

*On Friday November 14, 2025 while Sergeant Markell Heyward was conducting an inspection of his squad's equipment, he observed obvious damage to the front end of Officer Sheehan's cruiser. When initially questioned about how it occurred and if he had been in an accident Officer Sheehan stated he had not, a short time later he then respond that he had been in the collision and advised Sergeant Heyward of what had occurred earlier in the week.*

*If the above allegation is true, Officer Samuel Sheehan has violated General Order 1973-02L, Disciplinary Procedures of Sworn Officers, Appendix B, Operational Rule 1.02 Misconduct.*

**Investigation**

There is no BWC footage of Ofc. Sheehan's collision as noted above. Traffic camera footage was located, reviewed and showed the collision from a distance, while also showing Ofc.

Sheehan stop behind the hit vehicle and make contact with the driver while inspecting both vehicles. I reviewed the BWC of Safety Officer Richmond, who responded on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to take the delayed collision report. I also reviewed BWC footage from Ofc. Sheehan taken on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, approximately 6 minutes after the collision as he responded to another dispatched call at 0200 hours. Ofc. Sheehan activated his BWC per policy for the dispatched call at 0200 hours. I conducted interviews with Lt. Guy Miller, Sgt. Markell Heyward, Safety Officer Phillip Richmond, and Officer Samuel Sheehan. Fleet Services Supervisor Chad Bacon was consulted regarding Officer Sheehan's vehicle, specifically to confirm if the vehicle was equipped with the Axon Signal device that would automatically activate Ofc. Sheehan's BWC if he activated his emergency equipment (lights and siren) and the BWC was in buffering mode, as required per policy. Ofc. Sheehan's vehicle was equipped with the device and it functioned normally when tested on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The delayed collision report was also reviewed, along with memorandums submitted by Lt. Miller, Sgt. Heyward, and two memorandums submitted by Ofc. Sheehan.

### **Review of Traffic Camera (Collision and Contact with Driver)**

The traffic camera footage from W. Main St. and S. Upper St. was taken on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, from a west-facing camera. The timestamp is 0154:15 hours and Ofc. Sheehan is driving his marked cruiser in the middle lane of W. Main St. without any emergency equipment activated. He is seen approaching S. Mill St. and he moves to the left lane of W. Main St. He begins to pass a white passenger car that is travelling in the middle lane (eventually the vehicle struck by Ofc. Sheehan) and as he passes the vehicle, Ofc. Sheehan then angles his vehicle to the right and the front end of his vehicle moves into the middle lane. Approximately one second after the front of Ofc. Sheehan's vehicle enters the middle lane, his emergency lights are activated and his vehicle stops. The vehicle struck by Ofc. Sheehan also stops at the same time. The traffic camera is such a distance away from the collision, it is difficult to ascertain the exact position of the citizen's vehicle but it appears to be to the right and slightly behind Ofc. Sheehan's vehicle if comparing the rear of both vehicles. The footage is :26 long and Ofc. Sheehan activated his emergency lights at :18. The emergency lights appear to be deactivated at :26, showing Ofc. Sheehan had them on for approximately 8 seconds.

Traffic camera footage from W. Main and N. Broadway was taken from an east-facing camera. The timestamp is 0154:25 and it captures the collision at approximately 5 seconds into the video. The details observed are the same as from the previous camera until Ofc. Sheehan appears to deactivate his emergency lights. At :23 seconds of the video, and approximately 16 seconds after the collision, the struck vehicle moves to and stops in the right turn lane of W. Main St. at N. Broadway at the stop bar. Ofc. Sheehan pulls up to and stops directly behind the struck vehicle and makes official contact with the driver at the driver's door. Ofc. Sheehan is at the driver's door for approximately 4-5 seconds and then back to his cruiser and inspects the passenger side of his cruiser with his flashlight. This is done for approximately 3-4 seconds. Ofc. Sheehan walks back and makes contact with the driver again at the driver's door for approximately 4 seconds. Ofc. Sheehan walks back to his cruiser and the struck vehicle leaves, changing to the right-through lane and continuing west on W. Main St., crossing over N. Broadway. Ofc. Sheehan is observed driving for 4 seconds west on W. Main St. still in the right turn lane without emergency equipment activated before the footage ends. The footage is 1:15 long.

## Interview with Lt. G. Miller

I interviewed Lt. Miller on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 1011 hours in the PIU office. I reviewed the complaint and asked Lt. Miller to discuss his involvement and knowledge of the complaint. Lt. Miller is Ofc. Sheehan's lieutenant and assigned Sgt. Heyward to conduct inspections of his (Sgt. Heyward's) squad. Lt. Miller returned to work later in the week and was notified by Sgt. Heyward a to Ofc. Sheehan regarding the results of the inspection. Lt. Miller advised Sgt. Heyward noticed a dent on Ofc. Sheehan's cruiser and a delayed collision report was taken. Lt. Miller reviewed the collision report and the then submitted a request to obtain traffic camera footage on the date and time of the collision to ascertain if any footage of the collision existed. Lt. Miller reviewed the requested traffic camera footage and then attempted to located BWC footage from Ofc. Sheehan of the incident. Lt. Miller did not find any BWC footage of the collision or citizen contact but he did observe more BWC footage from Ofc. Sheehan taken during the next call after the collision occurred. This BWC footage shows Ofc. Sheehan looking at his cruiser "where the damage most likely was." Lt. Miller stated Ofc. Sheehan's first memorandum (dated November 25<sup>th</sup>) advised he first noticed the damage on November 12<sup>th</sup>, as he was cleaning his vehicle for inspection on November 13<sup>th</sup>. In Ofc. Sheehan's second memorandum (dated November 28<sup>th</sup>), he advised he noticed the damage later the same night of the collision (morning of November 9<sup>th</sup>). Lt. Miller advised he was concerned because Ofc. Sheehan did not notify a supervisor of the collision the day it occurred. Lt. Miller did not have any conversations with Ofc. Sheehan after the collision as he had taken time off to be with family. The interview was concluded at 1017 hours.

## Interview with Sgt. M. Heyward

I interviewed Sgt. Heyward on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 1205 hours in the PIU office. Lt. Dillan Taylor was also present. I reviewed the complaint and asked Sgt. Heyward to discuss his involvement and knowledge of the complaint. Sgt. Heyward is Ofc. Sheehan's direct supervisor. Sgt. Heyward stated he conducted vehicle inspections of his squad on November 13<sup>th</sup>, prior to their third shift beginning at 2200 hours. He advised he was walking around Ofc. Sheehan's cruiser and noticed a dent on the front-right quarter panel on the passenger side, near the headlight and over the front tire. Sgt. Heyward asked Ofc. Sheehan if he had been involved in a collision. Initially, Ofc. Sheehan advised he had not been involved in a collision. A few minutes later, Ofc. Sheehan advised Sgt. Heyward he was working Saturday night (November 8<sup>th</sup>) and was responding to a call at Mama Tequila's. Ofc. Sheehan advised he was near W. Main St. and N. Mill St. when he "chirped" his lights ("chirp" is a common term used to indicate a short activating and deactivating of emergency equipment, in this instance, it was emergency lights) to get through the intersection when he struck another vehicle while changing lanes. He advised Sgt. Heyward he had the struck vehicle pull over and he got out of his cruiser and inspected both vehicles, spoke with the driver, and then let the driver go. He advised Sgt. Heyward he did not observe any damage on his cruiser at that time. Sgt. Heyward took photos of the damage, completed the necessary paperwork, advised Ofc. Sheehan to have a safety officer respond to take the delayed collision report, and then completed the for Ofc. Sheehan.

Sgt. Heyward submitted a memorandum discussing Ofc. Sheehan's collision and documenting his own involvement in the discovery of the damage to Ofc. Sheehan's cruiser. Sgt. Heyward

advised a few days later (on November 25<sup>th</sup>), he was contacted by Lt. Miller, advising him they were going to Ofc. Sheehan's residence to collect his equipment and police department property as he was going to be placed on administrative re-assignment. They proceeded to Ofc. Sheehan's residence and Sgt. Heyward explained to Ofc. Sheehan what was being done. Ofc. Sheehan wanted to discuss details and Sgt. Heyward advised him he would meet with him the next day and they would talk.

Sgt. Heyward met with Ofc. Sheehan for lunch the next day, November 26<sup>th</sup>, around noon. Ofc. Sheehan asked Sgt. Heyward what was going to happen and Sgt. Heyward advised Ofc. Sheehan to be truthful and "go along with the process." Sgt. Heyward has not spoken with Ofc. Sheehan since then.

Sgt. Heyward received a second memorandum from Ofc. Sheehan on November 28<sup>th</sup>, two days after their lunch. I reviewed the information contained in the second memorandum with Sgt. Heyward. Ofc. Sheehan advised in his second memorandum he had been thinking about the collision and now remembered seeing damage later the same night of the collision (November 9<sup>th</sup>) while on a call right after the collision (at 300 W. Vine St. at 0200 hours.) He further stated he did not think about it until washing his cruiser (on November 12<sup>th</sup>) when he noticed it again. Sgt. Heyward confirmed this information was correct, while also confirming Ofc. Sheehan did not remember any collision during inspection (on November 13<sup>th</sup>) when asked by Sgt. Heyward and took a few minutes to remember it. Ofc. Sheehan also stated in his original memorandum (on November 25<sup>th</sup>) he noticed the damage while washing his cruiser for inspection (on November 12<sup>th</sup>). The interview was concluded at 1214 hours.

### **Interview with Safety Officer P. Richmond**

I interviewed Safety Officer (S.O.) Richmond on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 1044 hours in the PIU office. Lieutenant Dillan Taylor was also present. S.O. Richmond stated he responded to Central Roll Call for a delayed collision report on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at approximately 0800 hours. He met Ofc. Sheehan outside of the building and Ofc. Sheehan advised him he was involved in a collision on November 9<sup>th</sup> while responding to a disorder at 367 W. Short. St. S.O. Richmond mistakenly advised Ofc. Sheehan told him he noticed the damage later during his shift on November 9<sup>th</sup>. This is refuted by both S.O. Richmond's BWC and Ofc. Sheehan's statement to PIU investigators.

I asked S.O. Richmond why he originally made Ofc. Sheehan Unit #2 in the collision report, indicating the citizen's vehicle was Unit #1 (and considered the "at-fault" vehicle). S.O. Richmond advised he was told in the past by hit & run detectives when someone refuses to identify themselves after being involved in a collision, they are automatically "at-fault" and listed as Unit #1.

I read the narrative of the collision report to S.O. Richmond regarding Ofc. Sheehan stating, he felt the collision but did not hear "a crunch". S.O. Richmond confirmed that statement, as did his BWC footage taken during Ofc. Sheehan's statement to him on November 14<sup>th</sup>. I asked S.O. Richmond if he had been directed to correct the collision report to list Ofc. Sheehan as Unit #1 and the citizen's vehicle as Unit #2. He stated he had been directed to make that correction but had not done so at that time. I advised him I would contact his supervisor to help make sure the correction was done and to be watching for the report once it was completed. (Note: Later on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, I spoke to Sgt. Muravchick, who requested

access to the BWC footage of S.O. Richmond taking Ofc. Sheehan's statement on the collision. This request was granted and Sgt. Muravchick later sent me a copy of the corrected collision report taken by S.O. Richmond. In the narrative of the collision report, it is documented Ofc. Sheehan was attempting to change lanes and enter the right lane of W. Main St. when he struck Unit #2.) The interview was concluded at 1050 hours.

### **Interview with Officer S. Sheehan**

I interviewed Ofc. Sheehan on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 1101 hours in the PIU office. Lieutenant Dillan Taylor and Officer Sheehan's attorney Kate Valdez were also present. I reviewed the formal complaint with Ofc. Sheehan and confirmed he was currently on-duty and previously received a copy of the formal complaint. I asked Ofc. Sheehan about responding to the disorder involving 8-10 people at 367 W. Short St. He advised he was in the parking lot of 207 E. Short St. (Central Christian Church) when he was dispatched. Ofc. Sheehan advised he proceeded to E. Main St. and was going to 367 W. Short without any emergency equipment activated until he was about to change lanes on W. Main St. near S. Mill St. He stated he knows he activated his emergency lights but was not sure if he activated his emergency siren as well. He was unsure which button(s) he pressed to activate his emergency equipment but stated he knows he had his BWC on and in the "buffering" mode. I advised Ofc. Sheehan his police cruiser had been outfitted with the device that would activate his BWC to "record" if it was on and both the emergency lights and siren were activated. I informed Ofc. Sheehan that Technical Services Supervisor (Chad Bacon) tested the device and confirmed it was functioning properly. Ofc. Sheehan stated "I must have just hit the lights." He also stated he "always" activates his BWC before he presses "the three buttons" (which activate his emergency lights and siren), but did not activate his BWC this time because he was "trying to clear the intersection and get there." I asked him why he did not activate his emergency equipment upon getting dispatched to the disorder and he advised he felt he was "close enough" that there would not be much of a difference in his arrival time. I reminded Ofc. Sheehan we must operate our emergency lights and siren continuously and drive with due regard for public safety in order to be exempt from traffic laws. Ofc. Sheehan remembered and acknowledged the "continuous" portion of that legal exemption.

Ofc. Sheehan advised right after the collision occurred, he made contact with the driver of the other vehicle. He described him as a "college-age" male white. I asked Ofc. Sheehan if he thought the driver was impaired on alcohol or other substances. Ofc. Sheehan replied, "I don't know if he was DUI or not...I know he was very enthusiastic for me to let him go...he was very happy...that I let him go. He smiled and fist bumped me and took off."

I asked Ofc. Sheehan if he was aware a collision report was required any time a LFUCG vehicle is involved in a collision, regardless of the amount or presence of damage. He advised he knew but "I was not thinking about that." He went on to say "I was thinking there's no damage. I've tapped him, everyone's tapped stuff before. I understand it is another motor vehicle so it's a bigger deal. I just was not thinking that at that time."

I advised Ofc. Sheehan, he cleared his last call at 0531 hours on November 9<sup>th</sup> and had over two hours to report the collision to his sergeant before his shift ended at 0800 and he repeatedly stated he "simply forgot." I noted to Ofc. Sheehan he also advised Safety Officer Richmond he first noticed the damage when he was cleaning his cruiser for inspection (during the day of

November 13<sup>th</sup>). Ofc. Sheehan agreed that was his statement on the morning of November 14<sup>th</sup>. Ofc. Sheehan took a vacation day on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> and did not work. Ofc. Sheehan was off-duty Monday through Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> through November 12<sup>th</sup>. Ofc. Sheehan's first day back at work after the collision was Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

I asked Ofc. Sheehan why he did not call or text a supervisor on November 13<sup>th</sup> when he saw the damage (again) while cleaning his vehicle for inspection at 2200 hours that same night. He stated "I figured it would be addressed on shift." I asked Ofc. Sheehan why he initially told Sgt. Heyward he had not been involved in a collision when asked on the night of November 13<sup>th</sup>. Ofc. Sheehan stated "It was just stupid on my part. I told him I don't know initially...he walked away for a second, came back and I told him...this is what happened. I don't want to be a liar. I'm sorry I did that."

Ofc. Sheehan stated he began to think about the entire incident once he was placed on administrative duty (November 25<sup>th</sup>). He remembered seeing the damage on his cruiser on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 0200 hours while on a call at 300 W. Vine St. He also remembered his BWC captured him discovering the damage. He added "...they see me noticing that on the body cam...and I bet they're like 'he's a liar because of that'." I clarified with Ofc. Sheehan what details he truly forgot about and he stated he remembered the collision occurring but forgot about finding the damage on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Ofc. Sheehan admitted to accessing his BWC that showed him finding the damage on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 0200 hours. He advised he accessed the video but did not play it, only seeing the beginning of the video in a thumbnail-style picture. This was previously confirmed by a BWC audit trail, showing Ofc. Sheehan accessed that BWC footage twice on November 26<sup>th</sup> (1638 hours and 1926 hours). This would have been approximately 4 and 7 hours after he ate lunch with Sgt. Heyward and was encouraged to be honest and two days before Ofc. Sheehan submitted his second memorandum on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, stating he actually noticed the damage on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 0200 hours.

I asked Ofc. Sheehan what his "takeaways" were from this incident now that he has had time to reflect on it. He stated he needs to "slow down, really think about things. I was not thinking at all. Honestly didn't really fully process that until this whole process started." I reminded Ofc. Sheehan, he spoke about the importance of slowing down when I spoke to him previously regarding how he can improve his performance and function at the level required. I asked him if his need to slow down was a common theme between him and his supervisors as well and he agreed it was. I asked Ofc. Sheehan if he could do this incident over, what would he do differently? He advised he would stop and identify the other driver, notify his supervisor, and obtain the license plate of the vehicle. I added he should consider activating his emergency equipment after getting dispatched to the 5-8-person disorder, as that would have activated his BWC and notified other motorists of his presence and allowed him to be exempt from traffic laws while operating his cruiser with due regard for public safety.

## **Conclusion**

On November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at approximately 0154 hours, Ofc. Samuel Sheehan was involved in a collision while on-duty and operating his department owned police vehicle. Ofc. Sheehan did fail to activate his BWC when he made official contact with the driver of the vehicle he struck. Ofc. Sheehan was instructed to complete a BlueTeam report to document his failure to activate his BWC. Ofc. Sheehan also failed to report the collision to any supervisor until Sgt. Markell Heyward observed the damage on Ofc. Sheehan's cruiser approximately 4 days later, on

November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at approximately 2220 hours when Ofc. Sheehan returned to work. Ofc. Sheehan initially answered untruthfully when Sgt. Heyward asked him about the damage. Ofc. Sheehan told Sgt. Heyward about the collision minutes after denying any knowledge of it. Ofc. Sheehan admitted he first observed the damage to his cruiser on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 0200 hours, approximately six minutes after the collision. Ofc. Sheehan stated he forgot about the damage until he cleaned his cruiser during the day on November 13<sup>th</sup>, but still failed to notify a supervisor. Ofc. Sheehan completed one memorandum on November 25<sup>th</sup>, claiming he first noticed the damage to his cruiser on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Ofc. Sheehan accessed (but did not play) his BWC video from November 9<sup>th</sup>, where he can be seen viewing the damage to his cruiser at 0200 hours. He accessed his BWC on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Ofc. Sheehan submitted a second memorandum on November 28<sup>th</sup>, where he stated he recalled viewing the damage to his cruiser on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 0200 hours, stating "it slipped my mind." Members of the Public Integrity Unit have attempted to locate the other vehicle involved in this incident. As of this time they have been unable to do so. This is Ofc. Sheehan's second at-fault collision in 2025. On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, Ofc. Sheehan was at a Speedway gas station when he misjudged his clearance and struck the red safety barrier at the gas station. There were no report of injuries and the only damage observed was on Ofc. Sheehan's marked police cruiser. Ofc. Sheehan notified his supervisor per policy regarding this incident when it occurred. It has been demonstrably proven that Officer Samuel Sheehan violated General Order 1973-02L, Disciplinary Procedures of Sworn Officers, Appendix B, Operational Rule 1.02 Misconduct.

Lieutenant Joe Anderson  
Bureau of Investigation  
Public Integrity Unit

cc: file – PIU 2025F-026



Lexington Police Department  
**MEMORANDUM**  
 Lexington, Kentucky

DATE OF ISSUE  
 December 3, 2025

EFFECTIVE DATE

NUMBER  
 PIU: 25-159

TO:  
 Assistant Chief Newman  
 Bureau of Patrol

SUBJECT:  
 FORMAL COMPLAINT

FROM:  
 Lieutenant Joe Anderson  
 Bureau of Investigation  
 Public Integrity Unit

**COMPLAINANT:** Lieutenant Guy Miller

**ACCUSED OFC.:** Officer Samuel Sheehan

**ALLEGATION:** Violating General Order 1973-02L Disciplinary Procedures of Sworn Officers, Appendix B, Operational Rule 1.02 Misconduct.

**ALLEGED CIRCUMSTANCES:** On Sunday November 9, 2025 while responding to a disorder at 367 W. Short Street in his department owned police car, Officer Sheehan struck another vehicle which was actively traveling on Main Street. Officer Sheehan was not responding with his emergency equipment activated prior to the incident, but did try to quickly turn them on while attempting to pass several vehicles at the time of the collision.

Once Officer Sheehan realized there had been a collision he stopped and looked at the vehicles, he then told the citizen who was still seated in their car that there was no damage to either vehicle and they were free to go. Officer Sheehan then left the scene and began back to the original incident he was responding to. Officer Sheehan failed to activate his Body Worn Camera, and did not report the incident at the time to any supervisor. It does appear prior to a later incident in the night, captured by Officer Sheehan's Body Worn Camera Footage he did observed damage to his vehicle.

On Friday November 14, 2025 while Sergeant Markell Heyward was conducting an inspection of his squad's equipment, he observed obvious damage to the front end of Officer Sheehan's cruiser. When initially questioned about how it occurred and if he had been in an accident Officer Sheehan stated he had not, a short time later he then respond that he had been in the collision and advised Sergeant Heyward of what had occurred earlier in the week.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

- The Bureau Commander and Officer Sheehan should sign the Acknowledgment Sheet and process this complaint.
- The Commanding Officer should provide the attached copy of the Form 111 and the Officer's Rights Packet to Officer Sheehan.
- Officer Sheehan should contact the Public Integrity Unit to arrange for a time to provide a formal statement.

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Bureau Commander <u>JDSg</u>	<u>12-04-25</u>	<u>0915</u>
Supervisor <u>RMS</u>	<u>12/03/25</u>	<u>1656</u>
Officer <u>MW</u>	<u>12/03/25</u>	<u>1538</u>

Accused officer would like the Public Integrity Unit to notify the FOP President or their designee that a formal complaint is filed against them. (Circle One) YES or NO

Returned to the Public Integrity Unit Joe Anderson / 12-04-25 / 0950

Joe Anderson

Lieutenant Joe Anderson  
Bureau of Investigation  
Public Integrity Unit

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cc: Chief Lawrence Weathers  
file - PIU2025F-026

**LEXINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
FORMAL COMPLAINT FORM**

FORM 111 (2/24)

File #: PIU2025F-026

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Employee Involved: Officer Samuel Sheehan			Employee #: 62248	Hire Date: 06/05/2023
Present Assignment: Bureau of Patrol / Central Sector Third Shift				
Complainant: Lieutenant Guy Miller		Complainant Address: 150 E. Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507		
Complainant Phone #: (859) 258-3600	Alternate Complainant Phone #: N/A	Complainant Email: rmiller@lexingtonpolice.ky.gov		
Date of Incident: 11/9/2025	Time of Incident: 0143	Location of Incident: W. Main Street / N. Mill Street	Date and Time Reported:	How Reported: <input type="checkbox"/> Letter <input type="checkbox"/> Phone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Email

**DESCRIPTION OF ALLEGATIONS:**


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If the above allegation is true, Officer Sheehan has violated General Order 1973-02L Disciplinary Procedures of Sworn Officers, Appendix B, Operational Rule 1.02 Misconduct.

I swear/affirm that the facts set out in the allegations herein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Complainant Signature:  Date: 12/3/2025  
 Subscribed and sworn before me this date: 12.3.2025 (Date) U Melance R. Votaw KYNP 20919 (Notary)  
 My Commission Expires: 2.3.2029

**Witness:**  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Recorded By: Bureau of Investigation, Public Integrity Unit

File #: PIU2025F-026 Employee: Officer Samuel Sheehan

**CHIEF OF POLICE**

[Finding: PC=Proper Conduct, IC=Improper Conduct, IE=Insufficient Evidence, PF=Policy Failure, UC=Unfounded Complaint]  
Finding **Policy Violation**

IC	General Order 1973-02L Disciplinary Procedures of Sworn Officers, Appendix B, Operational Rule 1.02 Misconduct.

Chief of Police Determination:  Case Be Closed  Corrective Training  Recommend Disciplinary Action (see below)

Materials Reviewed: Reviewed PIU Synopsis' for PIU 2025F-016, PIU 2025F-020, and PIU 2025F-026

Comments:  
Recommendation for PIU 2025F-016, PIU 2025F-020, and PIU 2025F-026 is Termination

Signature: Lawrence B. Weathers Digitally signed by Lawrence B. Weathers  
Date: 2025.12.19 16:03:14 -05'00' Date: 12/17/2025

**DISCIPLINARY REVIEW BOARD**  
Policy Violation

Finding


Disciplinary Review Board Recommendation:  Case Be Closed  Corrective Training  Disciplinary Action (see below)

Comments:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHIEF OF POLICE FINAL DETERMINATION**

Case Be Closed  Corrective Training  Recommend Disciplinary Action (see below)

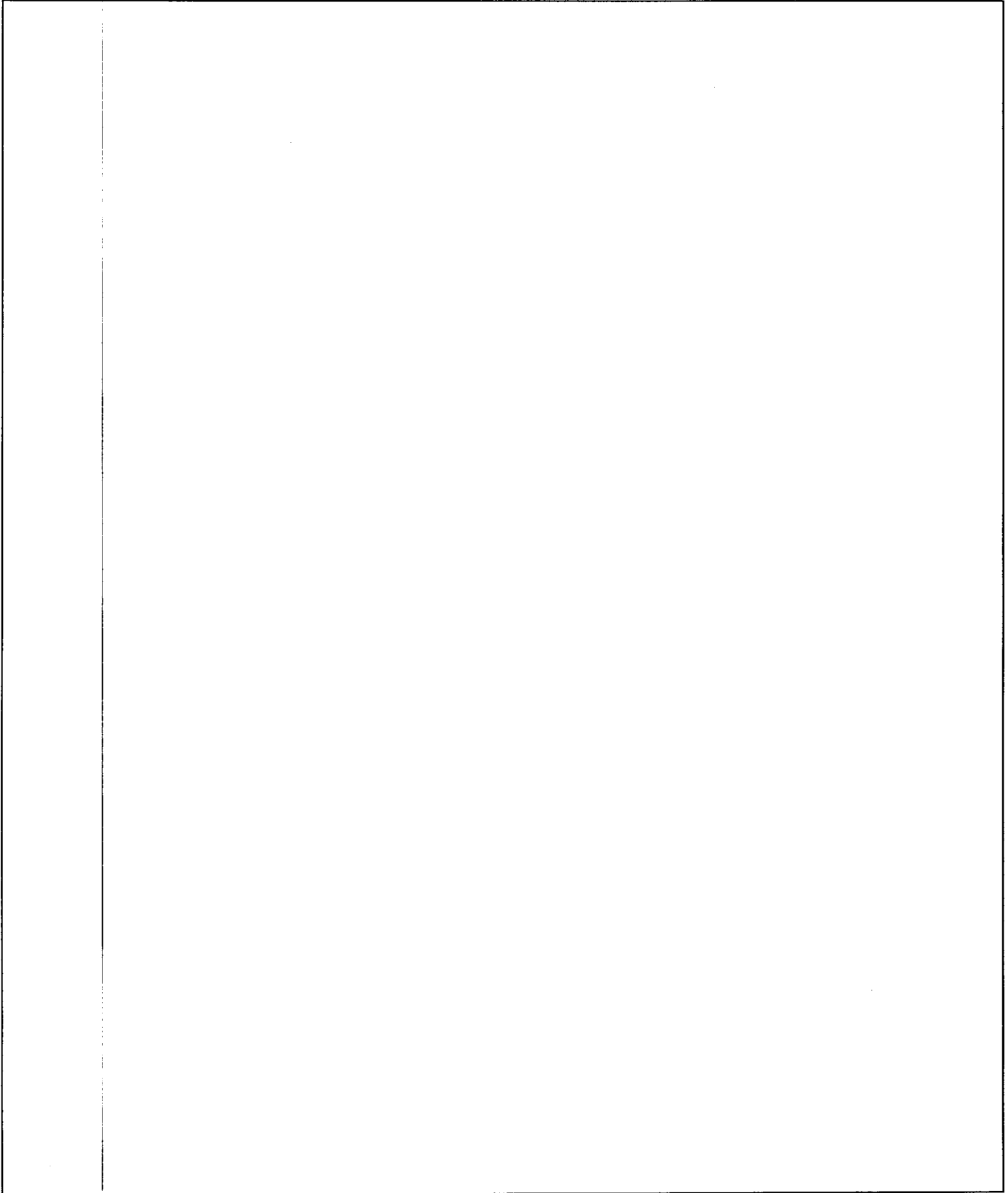
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