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CIVIL SERVICE ARBITRATION HEARING

ABILENE, TX – On July 11, 2014, Lieutenant Brad Wilson was indefinitely suspended from the Abilene Police Department. This dismissal stemmed from a criminal investigation conducted by a Texas Ranger and an internal investigation conducted by the Police Department. The Texas Ranger's investigation was filed with the District Attorney's Office in late 2014 and will likely result in a review by a Grand Jury in the next two months.

Regarding the internal investigation, five allegations were sustained that found Lt. Wilson had violated the policies and procedures of the Department. These allegations included two provisions of the Texas Penal Code to include Exploitation of the Elderly and Misapplication of Fiduciary Funds, which are both felonies if proven true. Additionally, allegations that were sustained included Abide by Laws, Truthfulness and Performance of Duty. The internal investigation concluded that statements made by Brad Wilson during recorded interviews and in a formal affidavit were untruthful. Additionally, it was confirmed that Lt. Wilson had spent hours at his residence or parked at a golf course, instead of performing his duties as a lieutenant. In one case alone, Lt. Wilson remained at his residence for 3 hours and 12 minutes and did not assist his patrol company with any field responses.

Brad Wilson appealed his indefinite suspension to an independent hearing examiner. The hearing examiner heard two days of testimony and will have ten business days to return his decision. He will ultimately decide if he believes the allegations should have been sustained and whether the indefinite suspension was appropriate for the violations.

Thank you,

Chief Stan Standridge

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