STATE OF OKLAHOMA OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT



ANNUAL RACIAL PROFILING REPORT CALENDAR YEAR 2017

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ATTORNEY GENERAL



The men and women of the law enforcement community have my profound gratitude and respect. I appreciate their professionalism and commitment to the principles of honor, duty, integrity, service, and sacrifice.

As required by Oklahoma statute, the Office of Civil Rights Enforcement ("OCRE") has compiled a report detailing citizen complaints of racial profiling. By law, complaints of racial profiling are not investigated by my office, but rather are forwarded to the arresting officer's law enforcement agency. The law then directs the law enforcement agency to investigate the complaint for purposes of disciplinary action and/or criminal prosecution.

My office remains committed to working with our law enforcement partners to keep our communities safe, while ensuring the rights of all Oklahomans are respected and preserved.

Sincerely,

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Mike Hunter Attorney General of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT

This report is submitted pursuant to Oklahoma's Racial Profiling Law, 22 O.S. (2011) § 34.3 - 34.5. The Racial Profiling Law ("Law") requires every municipal, county, and state law enforcement agency to adopt a detailed written policy that clearly defines the elements constituting racial profiling and that prohibits racial profiling based solely on an individual's race or ethnicity. The law enforcement agency must make the policy available for public inspection during the agency's normal business hours. *Id.* § 34.3(E). The Law prohibits municipal, county, and state law enforcement officers from engaging in racial profiling.

WHAT CONSTITUTES UNLAWFUL RACIAL PROFILING

"Racial profiling" includes interdicting, stopping, arresting, detaining, or engaging in any other form of disparate treatment against an individual based solely on the individual's race or ethnicity. *Id.* §§ 34.3 - 34.4.

RIGHT TO FILE A RACIAL PROFILING COMPLAINT

Any person who believes he or she has been subjected to racial profiling may file a complaint with the Office of Civil Rights Enforcement ("OCRE") and may also file a complaint with the district attorney in the county where the racial profiling is believed to have occurred. *Id.* § 34.4.

COMPLAINT FORM

The official form to be used for filing a racial profiling complaint is the *Office of Civil Rights Enforcement Racial Profiling Complaint*. (See Attachment "1") The complaint is available at the Oklahoma City and Tulsa offices of the OCRE, and is also available online on the Attorney General's website: www.ok.gov/oag.

WHERE TO FILE A COMPLAINT

An individual or his or her representative may file a fully completed, signed, and dated complaint with the OCRE in person, by email, facsimile, or regular mail. The OCRE's contact information is as follows:

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE: TULSA OFFICE:

313 N.E. 21st Street 15 W. 6th Street, Suite 1000 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

EMAIL: FACSIMILE: ocre.complaints@oag.ok.gov (405) 521-6246

INVESTIGATION OF THE COMPLAINT

The Attorney General is not charged with the investigation of racial profiling complaints. Rather, by law, upon receipt of a *Racial Profiling Complaint*, the OCRE must forward a copy of the complaint to the law enforcement agency that employs the law enforcement officer against whom the complaint is lodged. The law enforcement agency must investigate the complaint for purposes of disciplinary action and/or criminal prosecution. *Id.* § 34.4. If the investigation reveals the officer was in direct violation of the agency's written policy regarding racial profiling, the agency must take appropriate action consistent with applicable laws, rules, ordinances, or policy. *Id.* § 34.3(F).

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT RACIAL PROFILING COMPLAINTS RECEIVED IN CALENDAR YEAR 2017

The Office of Civil Rights Enforcement ("OCRE") received twelve (12) racial profiling complaints in the 2017 calendar year. As required by law, the OCRE forwarded each complaint to the appropriate law enforcement agency for its own investigation and responsive action as warranted. All complaints were based on race. Summary information regarding the complaints is itemized below.

Additionally, summary information regarding the disposition of two (2) complaints from the 2016 Racial Profiling Report that were resolved in 2017 is itemized below.

By law, the names of the Complainant's have been withheld.

REPORT OF DISPOSITION OF 2016 COMPLAINTS

NO.	AGENCY	DISPOSITION
1.	Tulsa Police Department	No Cause
2.	Bethany Police Department	No Cause

REPORT OF DISPOSITION OF 2017 COMPLAINTS

NO.	AGENCY	DISPOSITION
1.	Duncan Police Department	No Cause
2.	Murray County Sherriff's Department	Pending
3.	Guymon Police Department	No Cause
4.	Edmond Police Department	No Cause
5.	Kingston Police Department	No Cause
6.	Oklahoma City Police Department	No Cause
7.	Oklahoma City Police Department	No Cause
8.	Salina Police Department	No Cause
9.	Mayes County Sherriff's Department	No Cause
10.	Oklahoma City Police Department	No Cause
11.	Oklahoma City Police Department	Pending
12.	Oklahoma City Police Department	Pending

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT MISSION STATEMENT

The Office of Civil Rights Enforcement is dedicated to enforcing Oklahoma's anti-discrimination laws and to educating Oklahomans regarding their rights and responsibilities under civil rights laws.





Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General Office of Civil Rights Enforcement RACIAL PROFILING COMPLAINT

Office Use Only

		Inquiry # (OAG use only)			
Type of Inquiry (circle):	Walk In	Telepho	one	Mail In	
Date Information Mailed		_By		Date	Returned
Information Completed	Yes	No			
Please Print					
Name	Addres	Address		Telephone	
City State	County		_Zip Code _		Birth Date
Gender: Male Fei	nale	Race, Ethnicity	Or National	Origin _	
Law Enforcement Agency	Name of Officer				
Badge #	Race		_ Gender:	Male	Female
Address			Telephone _		
City	State	County _			_ Zip Code
Date of Incident:		Location of	Incident:		
Summons Number(s)					
Alleged Violation(s) (Reaso	n for the stop or	detention)			
		cable, or any su	pporting do	cumentat	tion.
Witness information (if ap	plicable)	Address		cumentat	tion. Contact Number
Please attach a copy of the Witness information (if ap Name 1	plicable)	Address		cumentat	

Please state the reason(s) you believe that this police action was taken due to racial profiling:						
Direct all questic	ons to the Office of Civil Rights Enforcement at (405) 521-3921.					
Signature	Date					
Submit via:	Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General Office of Civil Right Enforcement 313 N.E. 21 st Street Oklahoma City, OK 73105 Email: ocre.complaints@oag.ok.gov					

Fax: (405) 521-6246