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## COPA CONCLUDES INVESTIGATION INTO CHICAGO POLICE OFFICER'S ACTIONS INVOLVING MIRACLE BOYD AT PROTEST IN GRANT PARK

The Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) has concluded its investigation and delivered its report of findings and recommendations to the Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department (CPD) regarding an incident which occurred near the Christopher Columbus Statue in Grant Park on July 17, 2020 involving Ms. Miracle Boyd.

This incident occurred after Miracle Boyd attended a protest near the Christopher Columbus Statue and observed several Chicago Police officers taking another protester into custody. As Ms. Boyd began recording the incident on her cell phone, an officer and his partner approached her and blocked her path. The officer then extended his left arm and struck Ms. Boyd's cell phone from her hand, causing the phone to hit her face which resulted in several injuries.

COPA delivered its investigative findings and recommendations to the Superintendent for review as mandated by ordinance (<a href="www.chicagocopa.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/COPA-Ordinance.pdf">www.chicagocopa.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/COPA-Ordinance.pdf</a>).

COPA will post the Summary Report of Investigation (SRI) providing full detail of its analysis, findings, and recommendations on its website upon the conclusion of the Superintendent's review and the officer has been served with any resulting charges by the Department of Law.

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