

Lawrence Times Mail - FW: Douglas County DA Brady/Giglio Policy

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Subject: Douglas County DA Brady/Giglio Policy - Formal request to comply with Giglio Checklist

Dear Chief Lockhart,

In your most recent public meeting with the Lawrence Community Police Board on April 14, 2022, you stated that the Lawrence Police Department is committed to transparency.

In this spirit, per the LJW article published immediately after the LCPB meeting, you orally disclosed to the Board that the department's community complaints included:

One bias-based policing complaint, involving someone riding their bike who was stopped by police because they "matched the description" of a reported shoplifter and were "wearing similar clothing." You said the officer was exonerated.

You said there two sustained complaints both had to do with violations of department policy, namely an officer violating three policies, including two "standards of conduct" and the body-worn camera policy, and another officer who made an "improper U-turn."

Lastly, the other three exonerated complaints had to do with neglect of duty and conduct; an identification complaint; and an excessive force complaint.

To date, the Douglas County DA's office has not been officially notified of any of these complaints, nor have the identities of any of the affected officers been disclosed to the State for purposes of *Brady/Giglio* determination.

Per the attached DA policy, I ask that you complete the *Brady/Giglio* Checklist, which is found on page 22 of the policy, immediately for each of the LPD officers for whom complaints have been filed.

Once the *Giglio* Checklists have been completed for each officer, members of my office will review the checklists at LPD headquarters, along with the personnel files of each of these officers to determine whether any of these officers may be *Giglio* impaired.

I copied members of the Lawrence Community Policy Board on this email so that the Board is fully apprised of the DA's *Brady/Giglio* Policy. Importantly, I reached out to you last week about your department's compliance with the DA policy, and you still have not responded to my inquiry.

Please let me know if you have questions.

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Suzanne,

I am committed to working through Brady Giglio related issues with you. I believe the collaborative work produced by those involved in the development of the policy adopted by all Douglas County law enforcement agencies and the Municipal Court Prosecutors, is an example of the outstanding work we can do when we collaborate.

We feel like this is a positive outcome for our community, creating a model policy to comply with Brady Giglio. It provides transparency and consistency as all Douglas County Law Enforcement Agencies are following the same policy.

Sincerely,

Rich

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