



## County of Passaic

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### **Citizen Complaint Information Sheet**

The members of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office are committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair, effective, and impartially applied. It is in the best interests of everyone that your complaint about performance of an individual law enforcement officer is resolved fairly and promptly. The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office has formal procedures for investigating your complaint. These procedures ensure fairness and protect the rights of both citizens and law enforcement officers.

- Your complaint will be sent to a superior officer or a specially trained internal affairs officer who will conduct a thorough and objective investigation.
- You might be asked to help in the investigation by giving a detailed statement about what happened or providing other important information.
- All complaints against law enforcement officers are thoroughly investigated. You will be advised in writing of the outcome of the investigation.
- If our investigation shows that a crime might have been committed, you might be asked to testify in court.
- If our investigation results in a law enforcement officer being charged with a violation of department rules, you might be asked to testify in a departmental hearing.
- If our investigation shows that the complaint is unfounded or that the officer acted properly, the matter will be closed.
- All disciplinary hearings shall be closed to the public unless the defendant law enforcement officer requests an open hearing.

You may call a detective at 973-837-7732 or send an email to [pcpopiu@passaiccountynj.org](mailto:pcpopiu@passaiccountynj.org) with any additional information or any questions about the case.