### **Complaint Form**

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	First	Last	
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Date of	Birth:		M F
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Date of	Incident: _		
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•	Describe the paper if necessary.		
Witness	ses to Incide	ent:	
Signatu	re	Date	

Signature

## **Attend A Meeting**

The Panel generally meets in open session on the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

Meeting locations vary and dates may change. Please check www. fairfaxcounty.gov/ calendar/ShowCalendar.aspx

## **Fairfax County Police Civilian Review**





## **Through Accountability**



# What Is Civilian Review?

The Fairfax County Civilian Review Panel and the Independent Police Auditor were established to review police investigations resulting from public complaints against officers of the Fairfax County Police Department.

The Panel has nine members who are Fairfax County residents. The Panel and the Auditor are independent from the Police Department and report directly to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

#### What We Do

The Panel reviews police investigations involving police misconduct. Examples of police misconduct are:

- Rudeness
- Threats
- Verbal Abuse
- Harassment
- Racial Profiling
- Discrimination

The Auditor reviews police investigations involving the use of force. Both the Panel and the Auditor determine whether the police investigation was thorough, accurate and impartial.

### **How We Work**

- When a complaint is received, it is sent to the Police Department for investigation.
- Investigators interview the person who filed the complaint and witnesses.
- Police examine the evidence and write a report outlining the findings.
- The person who filed the complaint receives a letter summarizing findings of the investigation.
- If the person does not agree with the outcome of the investigation, he or she may ask for a review.
- If a review is requested, either the Panel or the Auditor reviews the investigation and issues a public report.



# How to File A Complaint

If you have experienced or observed misconduct by a Fairfax County police officer, you are encouraged to file a complaint. You will not be penalized by the police or any county official for filing a complaint.

#### **Fill Out a Complaint Form**

- You may use the complaint form in this brochure or a printed copy of the online form.
- You may also complete a complaint form online. Go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ policeauditor

#### To File a Complaint

 You may file your completed form by mailing it to:

Office of the Independent Police Auditor 12000 Government Ctr. Parkway, Ste. 233A Fairfax, VA 22035

- You may file online. Instructions are provided at the above website.
- You may deliver a completed complaint form to the Auditor's Office at the above address or to any Fairfax County Police Station.

If you need help completing the form, please call (703) 324-3459 or email PoliceCivilianReviewPanel@fairfaxcounty.gov