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SENT BY EMAIL
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Police Chief Harvey Baker
Vice President, PCAPGC

Re: Member Misconduct

Dear Police Chief Baker,

I am writing to ask that the Police Chiefs Association of Prince George's County undertake a formal investigation of Police Chief and PCAPGC President, Devan A. Martin, pursuant to the Association's bylaws or subsequent amendments.

The City of Seat Pleasant hired Mr. Martin as the police chief in October 2016. He was twenty-eight years old and possessed barely three years of law enforcement experience working in small-town police departments. But either way, it was the personal relationship that Mr. Martin and his mother shared with the city's now former mayor, that led to his miraculous ascension.

Mr. Martin has since cultivated, condoned, and engaged in a pattern of unconstitutional policing practices such as unlawful searches, detentions, and false arrests. Worse, Mr. Martin has taken extraordinary measures to conceal employee misconduct and protect those involved from administrative and criminal sanctions.

DBlastMedia and other local news media exposed police body-worn camera videos showing the troubling behavior of Chief Martin and other employees in June of this year. Chief Martin is heard referring to employees as "retards" in several of the videos. Other videos show Chief Martin performing illegal searches and watching as officers mistreat citizens. In one instance, Chief Martin can be heard talking to an officer about sucking "d*ck."

On behalf of our subscribers and affiliated social advocacy groups, we invite you to rebuke Mr. Martin's malfeasance and terminate his membership with PCAPGC. Visit the DBlastMedia Youtube Channel at www.youtube.com/c/dblastmedia for videos and other evidence supporting our request.

Respectfully,

Steve Thompson

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TEAM LEADER