

**DENVER POLICE DEPARTMENT****NARRATIVE TEXT HARDCOPY**GO# 2015-5000977 INACTIVE - EARLY
CASE CLOSURE

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SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT****Preliminary Investigation:**

On 031915, while working as a detective in the Sex Crimes Unit, I was contacted by Charles Stone, a special agent with the Office of Inspection of the Transportation Security Administration. He provided me with information in regards to a possible Unlawful Sexual Contact which had occurred at DIA.

On 111814, the TSA received an anonymous tip from an employee that a TSA Screener named [redacted] had told her that he "grope" males who come through the screening area. He related that when a male he finds attractive comes to be screened by the scanning machine, he will alert another TSA screener to indicate to the scanning computer that the party being screened is a female. When the screener does this, the scanning machine will indicate an anomaly in the genital area, and this allows [redacted] to conduct a patdown search of that area. The TSA conducted an investigation, and Investigator Chris Higgins observed [redacted] in the screening area on 020915. At about 0925 hrs, he observed [redacted] appear to give a signal to another screener, [redacted] was responsible for the touchscreen system that controls whether or not the scanning machine alerts to gender-specific anomalies. Mr. Higgins observed a male enter the scanner, and observed [redacted] press the screening button for a female. The scanner alerted to an anomaly, and Higgins observed [redacted] conduct a pat down of the passenger's front groin and buttocks area with the palms of his hands, which is contradictory to TSA searching policy.

Higgins conducted an interview with [redacted] who admitted that she has done this for [redacted] at least ten other times. She knew that doing so would allow [redacted] to perform a pat down on a male passenger that [redacted] found attractive.

According to Mr. Stone, both [redacted] and [redacted] were terminated as a result of this incident. Mr. Stone related that all efforts to identify the male passenger have been unsuccessful, and they do not have any other similar complaints.

Follow-up:

Detective Heather L. Hohnholz 99078 of the Denver Police Department Sex Crimes Unit was assigned this case for follow-up.

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1330: I met with Mr. Stone and received all his documentation of his investigation and the incident. He showed me security video of the incident which Mr. Higgins observed. Mr. Stone also related that he had spoken with DDA Bonnie Benedetti, and that she had told him that if the victim could not be identified, the case would not be fileable.

Mr. Stone told me that they had been able to learn that the victim was a Southwest Airlines passenger, but were unable to identify him specifically.

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1100: I met with CDDA Bonnie Benedetti. She refused this case based on No Reasonable Likelihood of Conviction, and "No Victim."

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1400: I notified Mr. Stone of this outcome, and provided him with a copy of the refusal form. I placed the video disc into the Property Bureau as Evidence, and sent all the documents to the Records Bureau for scanning.

Disposition:

This case will be carried as EXCEPTIONALLY CLEARED.

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*** END OF HARDCOPY ***