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The IPRB shall consist of nine members. Four members appointed by County Council, four members appointed by the County Executive, and one member of the board appointed jointly by County Council and the County Executive.

The members serve staggered terms and are limited to two consecutive four-year terms.

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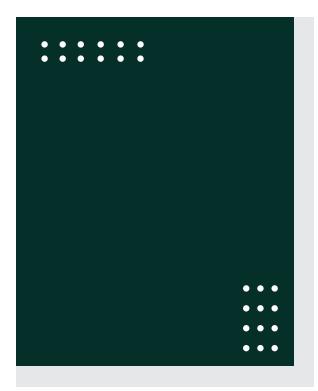
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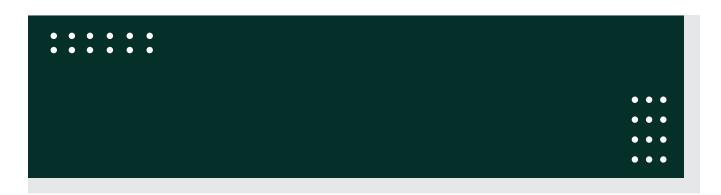
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About the Independent Police Review Board (IPRB)

The Independent Police Review Board, an independent citizen board, is charged with receiving and reviewing allegations of misconduct filed by members of the public against police officers employed by the Allegheny County Police Department. The current jurisdiction of the board is limited to police officers employed by the Allegheny County Police. While there are provisions for municipalities to voluntarily opt-in to board jurisdiction, no municipalities have taken such action.

History of the IPRB

In 2021, Allegheny County passed legislation creating the William Russell Robinson Independent Police Review Board (IPRB), an independent citizen board, to receive and review allegations of misconduct filed by members of the public against police officers employed by the Allegheny County Police Department. The ordinance was named after the late William Russell Robinson, an elected official who served in Pittsburgh City Council, the PA State House, and County Council before his death.

Purpose of Ordinance 06-21-OR

The purpose of this ordinance is to create a mechanism for external independent fact-finding and dispute resolution concerning complaints filed by an individual against police officers employed with the Allegheny County Police Department.

Authority of the IPRB

The board does not have the power to discipline police officers, but it does have the authority to receive and review allegations of misconduct from the public against police officers employed by the Allegheny County Police Department. The alleged misconduct must have occurred on or after January 1, 2022, and the complaint must be received earlier than 180 days after the incident.

The Process



Upon receipt of an allegation, the complaint will be reviewed by a member of the board to determine if further action should be taken. If warranted, steps may include formal investigations, including public hearings and sworn testimony. If the board's findings sustain a complaint, it can recommend disciplinary action, which requires a written response from the police department. The board can also make criminal referrals to the district attorney.

Filing a Complaint

Individuals seeking to file a complaint with the Independent Police Review Board have three options*:

- 1. Online Complaint Form
- 2. Fillable PDF
- 3. Download Complaint Form

If not filed online, completed complaint forms may be emailed to: IPRB@alleghenIPRBycounty.us

or mailed or delivered by hand to:
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*Instructions provided for each option