

WITNESSES, AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN A PARTICULAR COMPLAINT TO SUBMIT VOLUNTARILY TO A POLYGRAPH TEST OR TO APPEAR VOLUNTARILY BEFORE THE BOARD.

16-44.

THE POLICE COMMISSIONER HAS FINAL DECISION-MAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINARY ACTION IN EACH CASE, BUT NO FINAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN UNTIL THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD HAS BEEN REVIEWED.

16-45.

NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE MAY ABROGATE ANY CONSTITUTIONAL, STATUTORY OR COMMON LAW RIGHT OF POLICE PERSONNEL AGAINST WHOM A COMPLAINT IS FILED, NOR OF THE COMPLAINANTS, INVESTIGATORS OR WITNESSES WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPLAINT PROCEDURE.

16-46.

THIS PROCEDURE MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT OR CHANGE THE METHODS AND PROCEDURES FOR SUSPENSION OR DISMISSAL OF MEMBERS OF THE BALTIMORE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

16-47.

POLICE PERSONNEL MAY NOT BE PENALIZED OR AFFECTED ADVERSELY IN ANY WAY AS A RESULT OF THE PROCEDURE SET FORTH IN THIS ARTICLE WITHOUT HAVING BEEN FIRST AFFORDED PROPER WRITTEN NOTICE OF CHARGES LODGED AGAINST HIM AND THE RIGHT TO A HEARING BEFORE THE POLICE TRIAL BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH DUE PROCESS OF LAW.

16-48.

RECORDS CONTAINING THE NAMES OR IDENTIFICATION OF POLICE PERSONNEL, COMPLAINANTS, INVESTIGATORS AND WITNESSES MAY NOT BE DISCLOSED OR RELEASED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

16-49. RULES OF PROCEDURE.

SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, THE BOARD MAY ADOPT REASONABLE AND PROPER RULES TO GOVERN ITS PROCEDURE.

16-50. SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT.

THE BOARD SHALL PREPARE AND PUBLISH A SEMI-ANNUAL STATISTICAL AND ANALYTICAL REPORT REGARDING THE COMPLAINTS PROCESSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.