

Understanding the Malik-ACRB

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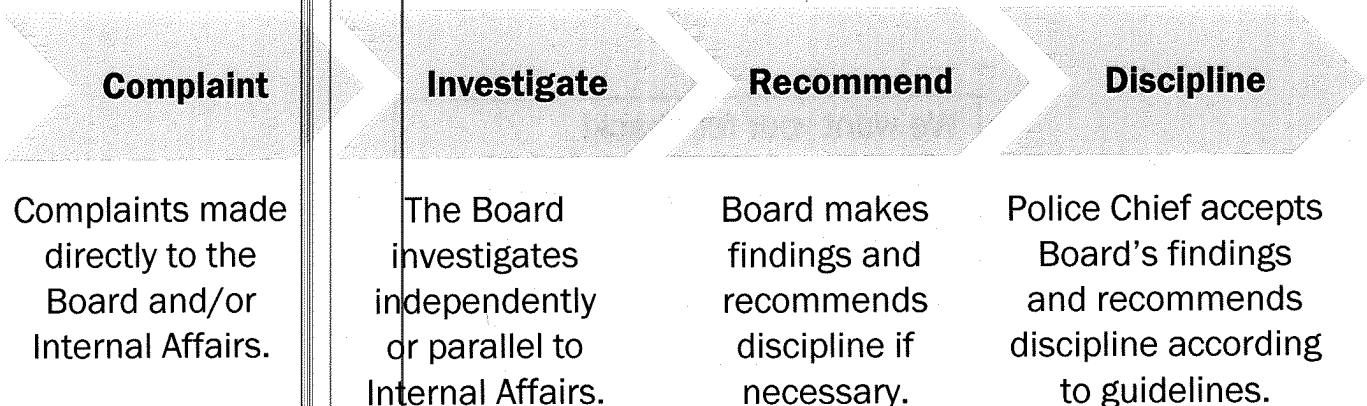
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Who is on the Board?

13 Members	Nominated by community organizations then approved by Mayor and Board of Alders.
1 Non-Voting Alder	Use subpoena power to help investigate misconduct.
2 Investigators, 1 Administrator, 1 Assistant	Investigate reports of police misconduct, track complaints and assist public.

Investigation and Disciplinary Recommendations



How it works

Secure Funding: Board will receive independent funding equal to 1.5% of the New Haven Police Department budget – in 2017, \$615,000 per year.

Transparency: The Board makes policing more transparent by collecting data and reporting to the public.

Independence: The Board is independent from the police department and the City's counsel.

Discipline Guidelines: The Board and the police department agree upon discipline guidelines.

What Civilian Review Boards Need to Succeed

Issue	Examples
<p>Subpoena Power</p>	<p>New York City, Chicago, Washington DC CRBs <u>have subpoena power</u>. Staff say subpoena power is needed to get documents and testimony, <i>especially from non-police witnesses</i>.</p> <p>Baltimore CRB <u>has no subpoena power</u>. CRB leader says: lack of subpoena power “minimizes investigative potency” & is “antithetical to transparency.”</p>
<p>Paid Civilian Investigators</p>	<p>New York City, Chicago, Cincinnati, Berkeley, & many other cities with CRBs <u>use civilian investigators to investigate police misconduct</u>.</p> <p>Prince George’s County, Maryland: CRB <u>not allowed to investigate misconduct</u>. Their recommendations are <u>almost always ignored</u> (~75% of cases.)</p>
<p>Guaranteed Budget</p>	<p>Chicago CRB receives <u>fixed budget tied to Police Department spending</u>. This protects CRB from being insufficiently funded.</p> <p>Cincinnati CRB <u>budget was cut in half</u> over 13 years. Now the city only employs two investigators; five are required by law.</p> <p>Hartford, Connecticut’s CRB is <u>supported by one part-time employee</u>. The CRB failed to meet several times last year due to lack of support.</p>