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<u>Via E-mail</u> Commissioner Patrick Ryder Nassau County Police Department 1490 Franklin Avenue Mineola, NY 11501

> Re: Letter regarding Executive Law § 75(5)(b) Referral of Officer Richard Fosbeck OAG Matter No. 1-795162507

Dear Commissioner Ryder,

We have reviewed your agency's Executive Law § 75(5)(b) referral of complaints involving Police Officer Richard Fosbeck from December 2020 to November 2022.

Based on our review, we have not made a finding of pattern or practice of misconduct, use of excessive force, or acts of dishonesty by Officer Fosbeck. However, we note that Officer Fosbeck has had a series of incidents involving apparent discourtesy to members of the public (Complaint #07-2023 and Complaint #336-2022) and substantiated unprofessional conduct (Complaint #347-2021), and has been assigned to a permanent inside post. We recommend that his contacts with the public be monitored and that progressive discipline be imposed if the department substantiates additional complaints.

We appreciate the cooperation of you and your agency.

Thank you,

Tyler Nims Chief, Law Enforcement Misconduct Investigative Office Office of the New York State Attorney General