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## **Independent Monitoring Team Files First Semiannual Report Assessing the City of Chicago and CPD Reform Efforts**

CHICAGO – Independent Monitor Maggie Hickey filed the first independent monitoring report today, which assesses the progress by the City of Chicago (the City) and the Chicago Police Department (CPD) on reform efforts from March 1 through August 31, 2019. This report is the first of 10 semiannual reports by the Independent Monitoring Team (IMT) over the next five years.

At the end of this initial six-month reporting period, the IMT found that the City had achieved preliminary compliance with 15 paragraphs of the consent decree. Other key findings include the following:

- The City is not yet in preliminary compliance with the remaining 52 paragraphs assessed this reporting period—although the City, the CPD, and the other relevant entities may have taken additional compliance efforts that the City has not yet demonstrated to the IMT.
- The City met 13 of the 50 agreed-upon deadlines. While the City missed 37 deadlines, it reached preliminary compliance with four of these paragraphs before the end of the reporting period.
- In many cases, relevant City entities, including the CPD, have continued to develop policies and train personnel after August 31, 2019. Those efforts were not assessed in this report, and we will assess them in the next monitoring report.

“This first report begins to illustrate the scope of reform needed and details how that change cannot be expected overnight,” said Independent Monitor Maggie Hickey. “We continue to identify hurdles, provide recommendations, work with the community to assess the City and CPD’s compliance, and ultimately, help the City reach full and effective compliance with the consent decree.”

The IMT’s next semiannual report will cover the reporting period from September 1, 2019, through February 29, 2020. As described in our Monitoring Plan for Year One, we will continue to work with the City and the Office of the Illinois Attorney General to address the paragraphs we assessed in the first reporting period, as well as 60 additional paragraphs for the second reporting period.

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