

## Agenda Item: 8

Consideration of Hearing Officer's Recommendations in Taxi Commission v. Douglas Wong: [ACTION]

- **Douglas Wong:** Consideration of Hearing Officer's decision regarding continuation of summary suspension of P-44 Permit # 050561 and P-16 Permit # 180, issued pursuant to San Francisco Municipal Police Code Section §1090(c) for alleged violations of Penal Code §§ 12020(a)(4) (carrying concealed dirk or dagger); 12025(a) (carrying a concealed firearm), and 12031(a)(1) (carrying a loaded firearm by carrying it in a public place or public street).



**CITY AND COUNTY OF  
SAN FRANCISCO**

**TAXI COMMISSION  
MAYOR GAVIN C. NEWSOM**

*JORDANNA THIGPEN  
Acting Executive Director*

April 08, 2008

**NOTICE OF DECISION**

**SUBJECT:** Suspension of Public Passenger Vehicle Permit 050561 and Medallion Number 180

**PERMIT HOLDER:** Mr. Douglas Wong, Medallion Holder # 180, engaged in the business of Desoto Cab Company, 555 Selby Street, San Francisco, CA 94124.

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Taxi Commission's Hearing Officer, the following recommendation is submitted to the Commission:

**FINDINGS:**

The Taxi Commission approves the hearing officer's recommendation that the summary suspension remain in effect. Prior to or at the disposition of the criminal charges, the Commission may reconsider whether to lift the suspension, more for revocation of Mr. Wong's permit or take other disciplinary action it deems appropriate.

1 TAXI COMMISSION

2 CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

3 ADMINSTRATIVE HEARING DECISION

4 Hearing Officer: Julie Rosenberg, Esq.

5 Hearing Date: March 21, 2008

6 #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, SF, CA 94121, Room 408

7 Case: Douglas Wong

8 Type of Permit: Medallion #180, A-Card P44-050561

9 Terence Hallinan, attorney for Mr. Wong

10 Heidi Machen, attorney for the SF Taxi Commission

11 I. Facts

12 On February 1, 2008, at approximately 10:37 a.m., medallion  
13 holder Douglas Wong was arrested at 3448 Balboa St. in San  
14 Francisco for carrying: (1) a concealed dirk or dagger (Penal  
15 Code section 12020(a)(4)), (2) a concealed firearm (Penal Code  
16 section 12025(a)), and (3) a loaded firearm in a public place or  
17 street (Penal Code section 12031(a)(1)). The firearm was a PPK  
18 automatic handgun concealed on the back of Mr. Wong's waistband  
19 with seven live rounds. He was carrying additional clips of  
20 ammunition and the dagger was carried in a sheath. At the time  
21 of the arrest, Mr. Wong was approaching the driver side door of  
22 Desoto Cab #180.

23 II. Summary Suspension of Mr. Wong's Medallion and Driver's  
24 Permit

25 On February 2, 2008, the Executive Director of the San  
26 Francisco Taxi Commission (the "Commission"), pursuant to  
27 Municipal Police Code section 1090(c), summarily suspended Mr.  
28 Wong's permits for reasons of public safety.

Section 1090(c) states in part: "The Chief of Police may  
suspend summarily any permit issued under this Article pending a  
disciplinary hearing before the Police Commission when in the

1 opinion of said Chief of Police the public health or safety  
2 requires such summary suspension."

3 On February 11, 2008, Mr. Wong appealed this summary  
4 suspension by letter faxed to the Taxi Commission office and  
5 signed by his attorney of record, Terence Hallinan.

6 **III. Mr. Wong's Testimony**

7 At the hearing, Mr. Wong admitted that he was carrying a  
8 concealed firearm and dagger, but claims he did so because he  
9 feared for his safety. According to Mr. Wong, on January 26,  
10 2008 (6 days before he was arrested) two of his passengers,  
11 while seated in the taxi, were approached by a drug dealer at 6<sup>th</sup>  
12 and Mission Sts. Apparently a conflict arose between the dealer  
13 and passengers at which point Mr. Wong told the passengers to  
14 get out of the car. At that time, an apparent accomplice of the  
15 dealer made threatening remarks to Mr. Wong (telling him to stay  
16 out of it; the accomplice apparently stated he knew the driver  
17 and his cab number). Since this incident, Mr. Wong has carried  
18 the firearm (owned by his brother) and dagger while driving his  
19 cab. Mr. Wong did not file a report with the police about this  
20 incident.

21 **III. Hearing Officer's Decision**

22 Mr. Wong admits violating Penal Code sections 12020(a)(4),  
23 12025(a) and 12031(a)(1). Even assuming his story about the  
24 drug deal is true (and there is no independent evidence (apart  
25 Mr. Wong's testimony) which supports this story), those  
26 circumstances do not permit Mr. Wong to carry a concealed,  
27 loaded, automatic firearm and dagger. As a taxi driver, Mr.  
28 Wong serves the public. Carrying these dangerous weapons, for

1 whatever reason, increases the likelihood that a member of the  
2 public's safety will be compromised.

3           Consequently, the suspension will remain in effect. Prior  
4 to or at the disposition of the criminal charges, the Commission  
5 may reconsider whether to lift the suspension, move for  
6 revocation of Mr. Wong's permits or take other appropriate  
7 disciplinary action.

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11 Julie Rosenberg  
12 Julie Rosenberg, Esq.

3/21/08  
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2                                   **SAN FRANCISCO TAXI COMMISSION**  
3                                   **CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**  
4                                   **COMPLAINT**

5 **State of California**  
6 **City and County of San Francisco**

7 Complaint is hereby made against Mr. Douglas Wong, Medallion Holder # 180, engaged in the  
8 business of Desoto Cab Company, 555 Selby Street, San Francisco, CA 94124, that said permit  
9 holder, while on duty as a taxi driver who also holds a taxi permit has conducted his business in a  
disorderly manner, has endangered public health and safety and in violation of Municipal Police  
Code 1090 (c).

10 1.       On February 1, 2008, during school hours, a security guard at Washington High School,  
11 Michael Johnson, spotted Mr. Wong walking near the school and suspected that he was armed. He  
12 called for Police assistance and shortly thereafter, numerous units responded to the call. (See  
13 attached Police Report no. 080111627.)

14 2.       Officers Mendribil #293 3G67 and Officer Tom #621 3GIC, detained Mr. Wong as he  
15 approached the driver side door of a Desoto Cab #180, license plate 8K43134 parked in front of  
16 3448 Balboa Street. (Id.)

17 3.       Officers Mendribil and Tom conducted a pat search of Mr. Wong and located concealed  
18 weapons. Specifically, Mr. Wong was carrying a four inch double sided dagger or dirk in a sheath  
19 attached to his person He was also armed with a walther PPK automatic handgun concealed on the  
20 back of his waistband with seven live rounds in the weapon and he was carrying additional clips of  
21 ammunition. (Id.)

22 4.       Police arrested Mr. Wong for the following Penal Code (P.C.) violations: P.C. §12020(a) (4)  
23 (carrying concealed dirk or dagger); P.C. § 12025 (a) (carrying a concealed firearm); and P.C. §  
24 12031 (a) (1) (carrying a loaded firearm by carrying it in a public place or public street). (Summary  
25 suspension complaint). Mr. Wong's taxi badge, public passenger vehicle permit, taxi permit and  
26 taxicab photo i.d. were seized at the scene.

27 5.       On February 2, 2008, under authority of 1090 (c), the Executive Director of the Taxi  
28 Commission along with the Chief of Police, issued a summary suspension of all of Mr. Wong's taxi  
permits for reasons of public safety. (Id.)

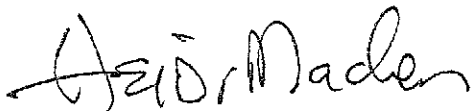
6.       On February 11, Mr. Wong appealed his summary suspension by letter faxed to the Taxi  
Commission office and signed by his attorney of record, Terence Hallinan.

1       **7. Conclusion:** Based on the foregoing facts presented, the Taxi Commission requests Mr.  
2 Douglas Wong to appear for Disciplinary Action against his Driver Public Vehicle permit no.  
3 050561 and taxi permit no. 180. This Complaint shall constitute the Executive Director's Notice  
4 pursuant to MPC § 1090 (c) and MPC 1188. The Commission requests that the summary  
5 suspension be maintained until the conclusion of the criminal charges and that the hearing be left  
6 open for further findings at such time as the criminal charges conclude.

7       **8.** Mr. Wong's fact-finding hearing on the alleged violations and the proposed penalty is  
8 scheduled for March 7, 2008, 10 am, City Hall Room 408 before a Hearing Officer. This Complaint  
9 and the attachments incorporated herein shall further constitute a statement of the issues to be  
10 determined by the hearing officer, and a statement of the evidence to be offered at the hearing  
11 pursuant to MPC § 1188(d). Sgt. Ron Reynolds will testify as a witness at this hearing.

12               **Dated:**                       February 22, 2008

13               **Signed:**

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15               Heidi Machen  
16               Executive Director Taxi Commission



February 20, 2008

Ms. Heidi Machen  
S.F. Taxi Commission  
415-503-2115  
415-503-2186 fax

Ms. Machen,

As previously discussed, please find the attached San Francisco Police Department incident report number 080111627. Unfortunately, I am unable to provide you with any additional documents regarding this matter because Mr. Douglas Wong is currently facing criminal prosecution for the events listed in this report. If I can be of further assistance, please don't hesitate to call.

Yours truly,

Insp. Daniel Dedet #101  
S.F.P.D. General Work Detail  
415-553-9130



# San Francisco Police Department INCIDENT REPORT

*DEDET*

080111627

Report Type: Initial

080111627

Incident Number 080-111-627	Occurrences from Date/Time	Occurrence to Date/Time 2/1/08 10:37	Reported Date/Time 2/1/08 10:39	CAD Number 080321532
Type of Incident Firearm, Possession of Loaded -12100, Weapon, Carrying Concealed -12015				
Location of Occurrences At Intersection with/Premiss type 33rd Av Anza Sidewalk				
Confidential Report? <input type="checkbox"/>	Arrest Made? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suspect Known? <input type="checkbox"/>	Suspect Unknown? <input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Suspect Incident? <input type="checkbox"/>
Domestic Violence? <input type="checkbox"/> (Type of Weapon Used)				Reporting Unit 3G2A
Location Sent 35TH Ave & Anza All				
How Cleared? 6	Reported to Bureau	Name	Star	Date/ Time
Elder Victim <input type="checkbox"/>	Gang Related? <input type="checkbox"/>	Juvenile Subject? <input type="checkbox"/>	Prejudice Based? <input type="checkbox"/>	

DECLARATION

I declare under penalty of perjury, this report of 6 pages is true and correct, based on my personal knowledge, or is based on information and belief following an investigation of the events and parties involved.

Signature: *[Signature]*

PROP 115 CERTIFIED 5 YEAR/POST

Reporting Officer Solano, Manuel C	Star 334	Station Richmond Station	Watch 0600-1800	Date 2/1/08 14:37:24
Sgt. Stephen A. Zimmerman #1355			0630/1830	02/01/08
Star		Station	Watch	Date

Assigned to 5G200 Assigned by MS#334

Copies to 5G200 5G200 Add'l Copies

REPORT

Code R 1	Name (Last, First Middle) SFPD Ofc Perillo#1371,	City	State	Zip Code
Day Phone	Type	Home Address		
Night Phone	Type	Work Address	City	State Zip Code
DOB / Age	DOB Unk. <input type="checkbox"/>	or age between: and	Race	Sex
Height	Weight	Hair Color	Eys Color	ID Type Jurisd. ID No.
Confidential Person <input type="checkbox"/>	Violent Crime Notification <input type="checkbox"/>	293 PC Notification <input type="checkbox"/>	Star	Follow-up Form YES <input type="checkbox"/>
School (if Juvenile)		Injury/Treatment	Relationship to Subject	
Other Information/If Interpreter Needed Specify Language				

BOOKED

Code B 1	Name (Last, First Middle) Wong, Douglas T	City San Francisco	State CA	Zip Code 94121-
Day Phone	Type	Home Address		
Night Phone	Type	Work Address	City	State Zip Code
DOB Unknown <input type="checkbox"/>	Date of Birth	Age 46	or age between and	Race A
Sex M	Height 5'02	Weight 105	Hair Color BLK	Eye Color BRO
SFNO	J/D# (if Juvi.)	ID Type/Jurisdiction/Number DL CA	ID Type/Jurisdiction/Number	ID Type/Jurisdiction/Number
Book Section #1 N/W 12020(a)(3)	Book Section #2	Book Section #3 12025(a)(2)PC	Book Section #4 12031(a)(1)PC	Book Section #5
Warrant #	Court #	Action #	Dept	Enroute to
Warrant Violation(s)	Bail	Mirandized <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Star 1559	Date 2/1/08
Citation #	Violation(s)	Appear Date/Time	Location of Appearance	Time 14:00
Statement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Book/Cite Approval Sgt Zimmerman	Star 1355	Mass Arrest Code	M X-Rays <input type="checkbox"/>	School (if Juvenile)
Other Information: Citation/Warrant/Booking Charge(s)/Missing Person-Subject Description; Scars, Marks, Tattoos				

CA Form Booked Copy Attached

Other Information: Citation/Warrant/Booking Charge(s)/Missing Person-Subject Description; Scars, Marks, Tattoos  
white tennish shoes, and Blk lhr Bbcap. Has a mustache.

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San Francisco Police Department  
ADDITIONAL REPORTEE

RP CODES: F -FOUND; N -NOTIFY; P -PARENT; R -REPORTEE; V -VICTIM; W -WITNESS

R / W I T N E S S	Code RAW 2	Name (Last, First Middle) Johnson, Michael					Alias				
	Day Phone		Type	Home Address			City		State	Zip Code	
	Night Phone		Type	Work Address			City		State	Zip Code	
	DOB/	Age	DOB Unk <input type="checkbox"/>	or age between AND	Race B	Sex M	Height	Weight	Hair Color	Eye Color	ID No.
	Confidential Person <input type="checkbox"/>	Violent Crime Notification <input type="checkbox"/>		293 PC Notification <input type="checkbox"/>		Star	F/U Form YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Statement YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Relationship to Subject Stranger/None		
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Night Phone		Type	Work Address			City		State	Zip Code	
DOB/	Age	DOB Unk <input type="checkbox"/>	or age between AND	Race	Sex	Height	Weight	Hair Color	Eye Color	ID No.
Confidential Person <input type="checkbox"/>	Violent Crime Notification <input type="checkbox"/>		293 PC Notification <input type="checkbox"/>		Star	F/U Form YES <input type="checkbox"/>	Statement YES <input type="checkbox"/>	Relationship to Subject		
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Confidential Person <input type="checkbox"/>	Violent Crime Notification <input type="checkbox"/>		293 PC Notification <input type="checkbox"/>		Star	F/U Form YES <input type="checkbox"/>	Statement YES <input type="checkbox"/>	Relationship to Subject		
School (if Juvenile)		Injury/Treatment			Other Information/If Interpreter Needed Specify Language					

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Night Phone		Type	WORK ADDRESS			City		State	Zip Code	
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San Francisco Police Department  
PROPERTY LISTINGS

080111627

E	Code/No	Item Description	Brand	Model
1	EVD 1	handgun		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color
	S096418	WALTHER	PPK	COM
	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity	Value	
	Seized by (Star)	From Where		
	621	at the scene		
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers handed it to #659			
2	EVD 2	Ammo Clip		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color
		WALTHER		COM
	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity	Value	
	Seized by (Star)	From Where		
	659	from the handgun		
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers capacity 7 rounds			
3	EVD 3	live rounds	Winchester	
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color
	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity	Value	
	Seized by (Star)	From Where		
	659	from the clip		
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers hollow point silver tip			
4	EVD 4	Live round		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color
	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity	Value	
	Seized by (Star)	From Where		
	659	from the chamber		
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers hollow point silver tip			
5	EVD 5	Clip on holster		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color
				BLK
	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity	Value	
	Seized by (Star)	From Where		
	659	Wong's waistband		
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers			
6	EVD 6	Cloth Sheath clip-on for dagger		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color
	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity	Value	
	Seized by (Star)	From Where		
	659	from waistband of Wong		
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers			
7	EVD 7	Dagger	Gerber	
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color
				BLK
	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity	Value	
	Seized by (Star)	From Where		
	293	from Wong waistband at the scene		
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers seven inches long			

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San Francisco Police Department  
PROPERTY LISTINGS

E 8	Code/No EVD 8	Item Description pocket knife	Brand BUCK		Model		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color RED	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity 1	Value
	Seized by (Star) 621	From Where at the scene from Wong					
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers						
E 9	Code/No EVD 9	Item Description Taxi Cab Medallion #180	Brand		Model		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity 1	Value
	Seized by (Star) 659	From Where from inside the Cab					
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers						
E 10	Code/No EVD 10	Item Description A-Card P44-f	Brand		Model		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color "	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity 1	Value
	Seized by (Star) 659	From Where from inside the Cab					
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers						
E 11	Code/No EVD 11	Item Description A-Card P44-	Brand		Model		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity 1	Value
	Seized by (Star)	From Where					
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers						
E 12	Code/No EVD 12	Item Description SFPD Statements Forms	Brand		Model		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity 4	Value
	Seized by (Star)	From Where					
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers						
E 13	Code/No EVD 13	Item Description SFPD Property Receipt	Brand		Model		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity 1	Value
	Seized by (Star)	From Where					
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers						
E 14	Code/No EVD 14	Item Description SFPD Cold Show Admonition Form	Brand		Model		
	Serial No.	Gun Make	Caliber	Color	Narcotics Lab No.	Quantity 1	Value
	Seized by (Star)	From Where					
	Additional Description/Identifying Numbers						

# San Francisco Police Department VEHICLE INFORMATION

## 080111627

VEHICLE CODES: B - BOOSTED; D - DAMAGED; F - USED FELONY; T - TOWED; U - USED OTHER; V - VANDALIZED; X - STRIPPED

VEHICLE INFORMATION	Code	Plate No.	State	Reg Yr	Plate Type	VIN No.
	U	8K43134	CA	2008	CC	2B3HD
	Veh Year	Make	Model			
	2004	Ford	Crown Victoria			
	Style	Color			Plates/VIN Match?	Plates Missing?
	Sedan, 4 door	Multi-Color; Explain in Other Info			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FRONT <input type="checkbox"/> REAR <input type="checkbox"/>
Condition (Check all that apply)			Damage		Point of Entry	
APPARENTLY DRIVABLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BURNED? <input type="checkbox"/> DAMAGED? <input type="checkbox"/> STRIPPED? <input type="checkbox"/>						
Crime Scene Tech. Notified?	387 Form Given to Owner?	Tow Approved By (Name)		Star	Towed to (Name/Address)	Tow Check (Name) Star
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Hold For		Other Information				

OWNER	Registered Owner Business Name/Last Name,			First Name		Residence Phone
	Desoto					(415) 970-1305
Residence Address			City	State	Zip	Business Phone
555 Selby			San Francisco	CA	94124-	

VEHICLE INFORMATION	Code	Plate No.	State	Reg Yr	Plate Type	VIN No.	
	Veh Year	Make	Model				
	Style	Color			Plates/VIN Match?	Plates Missing?	
	Condition (Check all that apply)			Damage		Point of Entry	
	APPARENTLY DRIVABLE <input type="checkbox"/> BURNED? <input type="checkbox"/> DAMAGED? <input type="checkbox"/> STRIPPED? <input type="checkbox"/>						
	Crime Scene Tech. Notified?	387 Form Given to Owner?	Tow Approved By (Name)		Star	Towed to (Name/Address)	Tow Check (Name) Star
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Hold For		Other Information					

OWNER	Registered Owner Business Name/Last Name,			First Name		Residence Phone
Residence Address			City	State	Zip	Business Phone

VEHICLE INFORMATION	Code	Plate No.	State	Reg Yr	Plate Type	VIN No.	
	Veh Yr	Make	Model				
	Style	Color			Plates/VIN Match?	Plates Missing?	
	Condition (Check all that apply)			Damage		Point of Entry	
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	Crime Scene Tech. Notified?	387 Form Given to Owner?	Tow Approved By (Name)		Star	Towed to (Name/Address)	Tow Check (Name) Star
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Hold For		Other Information					

OWNER	Registered Owner Business Name/Last Name,			First Name		Residence Phone
Residence Address			City	State	Zip	Business Phone

in Francisco Police Department  
NARRATIVE**080111627**

I responded to the area of 35th Ave and Anza St on a call of an Asian male, wearing a black leather Baseball cap backwards, brown plaid shirt and blue jeans, carrying a concealed gun on the back of his waistband. 3S21, Officer Perillo #1371 advised dispatch that she had the witness Johnson in her car looking for the suspect.

Numerous units responded to the immediate area looking for the suspect.

While enroute Officer Mendribil #293 3G67, and Officer Tom #621 3G1C, advised dispatch that he had a possible suspect detained at the corner of 36th Ave and Balboa St. (See Statement) Officer Mendribil told dispatch that the person he had detained was wearing a black leather cap backwards.

Officer Mendribil and Officer Tom advised me that B/Wong was approaching the driver side door of a Desoto Cab #180, license plate 8K43134 parked in front of 3448 Balboa St.

While Officer Tom conducted a pat search on Wong and located the handgun (E/1) on the left side of his waistband. Officer Tom retrieved the handgun and gave the gun to Officer Fong 659 3G61K, who arrived at the scene at the scene time that the suspect was being searched.

Officer Mendribil also found a dagger (E/7) in B/Wong's right front side of his belt. Officer Mendribil retrieved the dagger and handed it to Officer Fong.

Wong was placed under arrest by Officer Mendribil and Officer Tom at the scene.

Officer Perillo arrived at the scene with the W/R Johnson at the same time that Wong was being detained. Officer Perillo advised Officer Fong that the person being detained was the one that Johnson saw carrying the conceal handgun. (See Officer Perillo & Johnson's Statements E/12) Officer Perillo read the cold admonition to Johnson when she arrived at the scene. (See E/14)

Sgt Zimmerman #1355 3G102, and Lt Williams 1429 3G201, arrived at the scene.

At the direction of Sgt Zimmerman Officer Fong took custody of the medallion (E/9) and A-card #P44-050561 belonging to Wong. (See E/10&11 )

Per Sgt Reynolds of the Taxi Detail the Cab was left at the scene locked and secured. Desoto Cab was notified and stated that they would pick up the cab later today.

Officer Mendribil transported Wong to the station, where he was Mirandized by Officer Carrasco #1599 3G35. (See Officer Carrasco's Statement)

Wong was booked at the station per the above listed charges by Officer Mendribil.

Officer Fong booked all of the above listed evidence at the station and issued Wong a property receipt for items taken from him. (See E13)



# SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT

## TAXICAB DETAIL

February 1, 2008

Mr. Douglas Wong  
DeSoto Cab Company.  
555 Selby St.  
San Francisco, CA 94107  
415-970-1300

**Subject: Summary Suspension of Public Vehicle For Hire Permit.**

Dear Mr. Wong:

Pursuant to Sec. 1090 (c) of the Municipal Police Code, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on: February, 2, 2008, the Taxicab Detail has summarily suspended your Driver of Public Vehicle for Hire Permit and Taxi Permit.

You have the right to appeal this suspension to the Taxicab Commission. Written notice of appeal must be filed with the Director of the Taxicab Commission at 25 Van Ness, Room 420, San Francisco, California 94102, within ten (10) DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THIS LETTER. You are entitled to a hearing on your appeal within thirty (30) days after the filing of the notice of Appeal.

**YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to immediately surrender your badge, "A" card and Taxicab Photo Identification and taxi medallion to the Taxicab Detail within 5 days of receipt of this notice.**

Should you have any questions or need further information, please contact the Taxi Commission at (415) 503-2180.

Attachments:

- 1) Copy of Formal Complaint

Sincerely,

Sgt Ron Reynolds  
Officer in Charge  
San Francisco Police Taxi Detail

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Permit Holder

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Date

**COMPLAINT****STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

City &amp; County of San Francisco

Complaint is hereby made against:

**Douglas Wong Medallion 180**

Engaged in the business of:

**Driver Public Vehicle**

At the address of 555 Selby St., San Francisco, in the said City & County, that the said business was conducted by Douglas Wong in an unlawful, disorderly and improper manner as follows, to wit:

On 02/01/2008, at 1143 hrs, Mr. Wong was legally operating DeSoto Taxicab# 180 in the City and County of San Francisco California. Mr. Wong parked his taxicab at 36<sup>th</sup> and Balboa Sts. and exited his vehicle. Mr. Wong then walked towards George Washington High School. Michael Johnson is a security guard at George Washington High School. Johnson saw Wong approaching the school and noticed that Wong had a black long holster connected to his belt on the right side of his waistband. Johnson used his radio to report a man with a gun was approaching the school. The police were called. Wong then walked west on Anza St. The police arrived and saw Wong at his taxicab at 36<sup>th</sup> & Balboa. Wong was taken into custody. Wong was armed with a walther PPK automatic handgun with seven live rounds in the weapon. He had additional clips of ammunition on his person. A four inch Dagger was found in a sheath attached to his belt.

Penal Code section 12020(a) (4) states:

**(a) Any person in this state who does any of the following is punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year or in the state prison:**

**(4) carries concealed upon his or her person any dirk or dagger.**

Penal Code section 12025(a) (2) states:

**(a) A person is guilty of carrying a concealed firearm when he or she does any of the following:**



(2) Carries, concealed upon his or her person any pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person.

Penal code 12031(a) (1) states:

(a)(1) a person is guilty of carrying a loaded firearm when he or she carries a loaded firearm on his or her person or in a vehicle while in any public place or on any public street in an incorporated city or in any public place or on any public street in a prohibited area of unincorporated territory.

Mr. Wong's "A" card (P44-050561), badge and medallion were seized by the arresting officers and sent to the SFPD Taxi Detail.

The SFPD Taxi Detail believes that Mr. Wong poses an immediate danger to the public. Mr. Wong who was driving a taxicab at the time was carrying a loaded firearm and dirk concealed on his person. He did this in a school zone while students were in class. Therefore, the Taxi Detail requested that the Taxi Commission start administrative disciplinary proceedings against Douglas Wong for violent criminal behavior, public safety issues and for not being in compliance with the Taxicab/Ramped Taxi Rules and Regulations and the San Francisco Municipal Police Code.

Dated: February 1, 2008

Sgt. Ron Reynolds  
O.I.C. Taxicab Detail

Dated: February 1, 2008

*Jeanne Schlotz Lt 4020*  
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Commanding Officer Permits Bureau

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Executive Director

Supporting Documents:

- 1) SFPD Incident Report # 080111627