

IN THE MATTER OF COMPLAINT
AGAINST THE CRAWFORD COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE
CRAWFORD COUNTY DISTRICT
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,

CASE NO. 23-013

Respondents.

DISMISSAL ORDER

On November 29, 2023, the Crime Victims Rights Board (“the Board”) considered a complaint filed against the Crawford County Sheriff's Department and the Crawford County District Attorney's Office.

The complainant alleges that in 2018 she reported a theft of property. The complainant alleges the respondents improperly treated the theft as a civil issue and did not charge the theft as a crime.

The complainant objects to the respondents' decision not to issue charges. She alleges the decision is “systemic collusion” and “interference with proper handling and charging of a theft case” and alleges corruption by the respondents.

The Board finds that the complaint does not allege facts sufficient to implicate a constitutional or statutory victim right and is therefore beyond the purview of the Board. Further, to the extent the complainant claims her

victim rights were violated between June 2018 and February 2019, those claims—even assuming they implicated a victim right—may only be addressed by the Board through an issuance of a report or recommendation, which it declines to do in this case. *See* Wis. Admin. Code CVRB § 1.04(5). For these reasons, the complaint is hereby dismissed.

ORDER

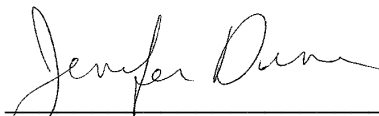
Based on the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. That the complaint cannot be reviewed and is hereby dismissed because no constitutional or statutory victim right is implicated by the allegations in the complaint.

2. That administrative decisions which adversely affect the substantial interests of any person, whether by action or inaction, whether affirmative or negative in form, are subject to review as provided in Wis. Stat. Chapter 227 —except as otherwise provided by law.

3. That a copy of this dismissal order shall be provided to the complainant as identified in the Service List below.

Dated this 8th day of January, 2024.



Chairperson Jennifer Dunn
Crime Victims Rights Board

SERVICE LIST

Complainant MM

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