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Legal Aid Releases 2019 List Of NYPD Police Officers Most Frequently Sued For Alleged Misconduct

(NEW YORK, NY) – The Legal Aid Society released an analysis today of the most sued New York City Police Department officers in 2019 and 2018 based on data published by the City.

NYPD Officers Most Sued In 2019
1. Eula Harris (950563) – 7
2. Alan Chau (940986) – 6
3. Jodi M. Brown. (936246) – 4
4. Daryl Melhado (940464) – 4
5. Amadeo Oktrova (949413) – 4
6. Daniel Rivera (927418) – 4
7. Donald Sehl (951232) – 4
8. Peter Simonovic (946257) – 4

NYPD Officers Most Sued In 2018
1. Alan Chau (940986) – 8
2. Robert Jaquez (938711) – 8
3. Luilly B Vargas (948578) – 7
4. Tatiana Cruz (950253) – 6
5. Juan D. Gomez (953916) – 6
8. Matthew Escudero (948333) – 5

This data does not include matters that were settled out of court between New Yorkers and the City. Inclusion of that information would add at least hundreds of additional cases to this list.
Access some of the 2019 lawsuits naming the aforementioned officers [here](#).

“New Yorkers should not be policed by cops who have been sued for misconduct half a dozen times or more in a single year. What’s worse is that because of Police Secrecy Law 50a, New Yorkers will never be able to learn how, if at all, the NYPD is responding to this epidemic of police abuse of power,” said Corey Stoughton, Attorney-in-Charge of the Special Litigation Unit of the Criminal Defense Practice at The Legal Aid Society. “To truly hold these officers accountable and to change the culture of impunity that thrives within precincts, Albany must fully repeal 50a this session.”

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