POST 40-Hour Field Training Officer Course

Group One

Case Study Block 9 Intervention

TRAINEE

Officer Randy Bean

Trainee Bio

Officer Bean is a 35-year-old male with no prior law enforcement experience. While he has no criminal record, his brother is on parole. He has worked in construction the last 17 years and has a GED. He is street-smart and relates well with those he contacts on a daily basis. Officer Bean is divorced with four kids.

Scenario Description – Intervention

Officer Bean responds to a report of juveniles loitering in a deserted section of a mall parking structure, possibly drinking, smoking, etc. Upon arrival, it's clear that the report was accurate but the juveniles have eliminated all the evidence. Detentions with FIs are appropriate, but there is no probable cause for arrests or cites.

A verbal confrontation erupts between a very vocal juvenile and Officer Bean. Both use very negative and coarse words. The juvenile is agitating Officer Bean, and Bean says to the juvenile, "Don't piss me off!" Officer Bean appears to be moving in for an arrest based on the juvenile's attitude.

At what point in this scenario might intervention be necessary? What would you do, and why?