

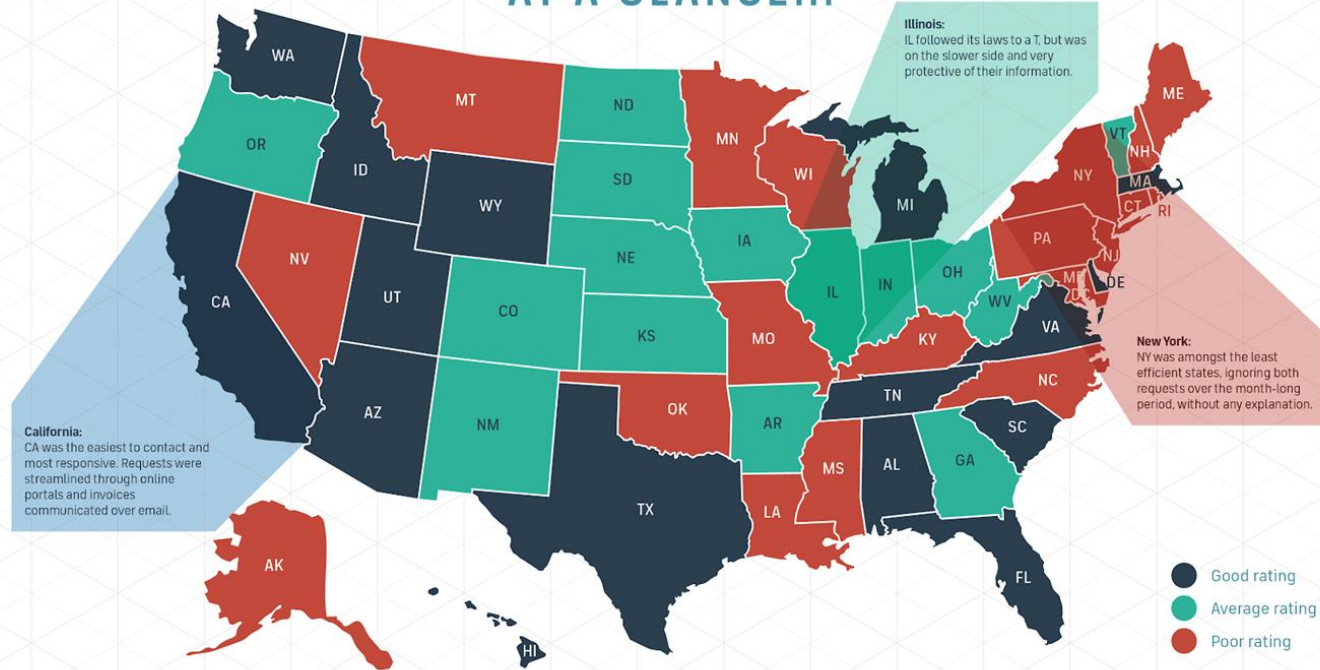
# Indianapolis: Citizens' Police Complaint Board

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Police Reform Oversight Committee Meeting: 1/27/21

# The "State" of Public Records Response

AT A GLANCE...



Source: <https://www.logikcull.com/blog/state-open-records-heat-map>

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- The Citizens' Police Complaint Board (CPCB) reviews all formal complaints brought to the Citizens' Police Complaint Office (CPCO). It is made up of **nine voting members and three non-voting police officers for a total of 12 members**. The Mayor appoints four members, the City-County Council appoints seven members, and the Fraternal Order of Police appoints one member. The board meets on the second Monday at 6:00pm (at least quarterly or as often as monthly) to conduct business.
- Members are appointed to three-year terms and **must complete 20 hours of training in police procedures and 16 hours of ride-alongs with an IMPD officer per year**.
- You can also submit an application on the CPCB's website if you'd like to serve.

# Complaint Process

1. Our office records your complaint and sends the case to the IMPD Internal Affairs
2. IMPD Internal Affairs then reviews and assigns the case to an IMPD Internal Affairs investigator or district supervisor for investigation. The investigator reviews the complaint and evidence submitted by the you and may interview you. The investigator will request an account of the incident from the police officer(s) listed on the complaint.
3. IMPD Internal Affairs sends the results of the investigation to the CPCO.
4. CPCO prepares the case for review by the Citizens' Police Complaint Board (CPCB).
5. You, the complainant, will receive a letter notifying you of the CPCB meeting and are invited to attend the review of your case.
6. During its public meeting, the complaint board reviews the complaint and investigation. **The board meetings are not hearings – no testimony is allowed at the meeting. The board votes to endorse or not endorse the investigation findings.**
7. If the Board does not endorse the case findings, the **President and Executive Director meet with the Chief of Police to mediate the Board's request for revised finding.**
8. CPCO sends a case outcome letter to the complainant and the involved officer(s).

# Other Big Takeaways

- Website: very easy to navigate
- Clear outline of the process
- Data made publically available for all investigations and complaints:  
<https://data.indy.gov/datasets/impd-complaints/data?page=368>
- Also a publically made available transparency report:  
<https://www.indy.gov/activity/citizen-police-complaint-board-transparency-portal>
- Each case outcome is recorded in the involved officer's personnel record for the prescribed time allowed by the IMPD's discipline matrix.
- Complaint filing rules: follow-up response in two weeks, may be asked to provide add. Details, more formal complaints must be filed in person, and require filing in person.