



Sign a Petition. Save an Animal.

December 31, 2020

Dear Captain Lydon,

We are Janelle Babington and Penny Eims, animal welfare petitioners with AnimalVictory.org. On December 30, we created a petition regarding the disturbing encounter between one of your K9 handlers and a working K9. The video footage shows the handler repeatedly punching the dog, and while you have stated that this incident may be "alarming," but does not rise to the level of abuse, we, and **over 16,450** of the petition supporters, disagree. (Please see attached signatures and comments.)

We are presenting you our petition (please see below for signatures and comments) along with a request to ensure that this dog, and any other working K9s with the department, are removed from the handler's care while a full investigation is conducted. Further, if punching a K9 is considered to be an acceptable practice, we want to see your department's training revised. We are sure that you are aware that a regular citizen captured doing the same thing to a dog would not only face criminal charges, but those charges may even rise to the level of felony animal cruelty.

We hope to hear back from your department about this situation. Rest assured that if we do not hear back, we will be in contact again soon. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Janelle Babington and Penny Eims

https://www.animalvictory.org/police_officer_caught_on_video_repeatedly_punching_k9_partner



[Police Officer Caught On Video Repeatedly Punching K9 Partner - Animal Victory](https://www.animalvictory.org/police_officer_caught_on_video_repeatedly_punching_k9_partner)

A Vacaville, California, police officer was caught on video repeatedly punching a K9. The disturbing situation was captured by Roberto Palomino, who posted the footage to Facebook on December 28, explaining what he saw:

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