

Villa Park police settle brutality lawsuit

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A Villa Park resident has reached a settlement with the village ending a lawsuit over a claim of police brutality stemming from a 2003 arrest.

Jason Zubov, 36, of Villa Park, alleged that in August 2003 he

was hit several times by an officer at the police station and suffered injuries.

The amount of the settlement was not disclosed. Zubov's attorney, Arthur Loevy, said he was "satisfied with the agreement."

Messages left for the village's attorneys in this case were not

returned.

Deputy Chief Mark Johnson, one of four department members named in the suit along with the village, also would not comment on the settlement.

The three officers named as defendants in the suit are still in the department on active duty.

In the suit filed in U.S. District Court, Zubov alleged that during an arrest on Aug. 24, 2003, officer David Subject hit him several times at the village's police station without justification.

The village denied the allegation of abuse.

Zubov was charged with

aggravated assault on a police officer and with resisting or obstructing a police officer, according to court records.

Zubov was acquitted on all charges in regard to a physical altercation with Subject, the lawsuit said.

Initially, Zubov was arrested

on traffic-related charges including driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with an expired license and driving with a blood-alcohol level of .08 percent or more, according to DuPage County court records.

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