

# Who Is The Federal Monitor?

## Powers of the Monitor

- In 2013, a federal court [found](#) that the NYPD's stop-and-frisk and trespass enforcement practices were unconstitutional.
- The court appointed the Federal Monitor and gave it power to oversee the NYPD's implementation of reforms ordered by the court and to report to the court on progress.
- The Monitor is an extension of the court and has the authority to address issues covered in the judge's [orders](#), such as training, accountability, and Fourteenth Amendment compliance.

## Monitor Team

- The court-appointed Federal Monitor is Mylan Denerstein, a lawyer with a long background in public service and civil rights. The Deputy Monitor is Richard Jerome.
- The other team members are Anthony Braga, Demonsthenes Long, James McCabe, Jane Perlov, Jennifer Eberhardt, Jim Yates, John MacDonald, and Rudolph Hall.
- Together, the team reviews data such as bodyworn camera footage and stop and frisk data.

# What Does The Federal Monitor Do?

1. The Monitor works to reform NYPD policies; oversee the NYPD's stops, frisks, searches and trespass enforcement practices; and identify noncompliant NYPD practices and hold supervisors accountable.
2. The team reviews NYPD's body-worn camera videos and stop and frisk data, and generates [reports](#) documenting whether the NYPD is complying with the court's orders.
3. The team audits police stops to determine if stops are constitutional.

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# Know Your Rights

## Your rights

- Police can ask you certain questions and take certain actions if you are in a public place or car.
- [The circumstances of the encounter determine what the police can do. There are four levels of encounters.](#)
  - **Level 1:** If the officer has a reason to approach you, they can ask you general, non-accusatory questions. You are free to leave.
  - **Level 2:** If the officer is suspicious that you're engaging in wrongdoing based on their observations of you, they can ask more extended and pointed questions. **They may request a search; you may decline that search. You are free to leave or refuse to answer questions.**
  - **Level 3:** If the officer is reasonably suspicious that you have committed or are about to commit a crime, the officer can stop and frisk you, handcuff you, or follow you. You are not free to leave but you do not have to answer questions. **The officer can only frisk you if they believe you are armed and dangerous.**
  - **Level 4:** Police can arrest you if they have probable cause to believe that you have committed a crime. You can be detained until you are identified.
- **At all times, officers' identification numbers must be available, and their body cameras should be turned on during encounters.**

Reach out to the community liaison if you have concerns about NYPD's stop and frisk practices: Visit [officeofthecommunityliaison.com/contact](http://officeofthecommunityliaison.com/contact) or email: [community.liaisonnyc@gmail.com](mailto:community.liaisonnyc@gmail.com)

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# Resources

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## NYPD Monitor: Who We Are and What We Do