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**OFFICE OF THE SPOKANE CITY ATTORNEY**

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**TO:** ETHICS COMMISSION  
**CC:** EVAN SIMS, COMPLAINANT  
BART LOGUE, RESPONDENT  
**FROM:** MEGAN R. KAPAUN, STAFF DIRECTOR  
**SUBJECT:** INITIAL REVIEW OF REVISED COMPLAINT AGAINST OMBUDS BART LOGUE  
**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

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Under the authority of SMC 1.04B.150 and in my role as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Spokane, I have given preliminary review to the Ethics Complaint submitted by Evan Sims against Ombuds Bart Logue.

The complaint met the requirement 1.04B.140 with respect to the complaint being submitted on the correct form and by alleging a violation against Ombuds Logue as a staff member in the City of Spokane who is subject to the Ethics Code. The complaint identified SMC 01.04B.050 (M) as the section of the Code of Ethics that Ombuds Logue violated. The complaint misidentifies section M as the section stating that "Commission of Acts of Moral Turpitude or Dishonesty Prohibited". I believe that the intended section Mr. Sims is alleging that Ombuds Logue violated is SMC 01.04B.050 (N) as he properly gave the full heading of the intended section. The complaint details Mr. Sims having an encounter with the police, the information included in the police report issued thereafter, and his filing a complaint in the Office of Police Oversight to Ombuds Logue. Mr. Sims alleges that Ombuds Logue failed "to process legitimate complaints when an internal investigator demonstrably lies and [his] refusing to do so is quite obviously untrustworthy and unjust". The allegations made against Ombuds Logue, if true, may be considered a violation of Section N of SMC 1.04B.050 "Commission of Acts of Moral Turpitude or Dishonesty Prohibited".

Thus, it is my determination that:

- 1) Ombuds Bart Logue is an employee of the City of Spokane to whom the City Code of Ethics does apply.
- 2) The allegations against Ombuds Logue set forth in the complaint by Evan Sims, if true, may be considered a violation of SMC 1.04B.050.

It is my opinion and recommendation that at the September 17, 2025, meeting of the Ethics Commission, the complaint against Ombuds Bart Logue be moved to Investigation pursuant to SMC 1.04B.150(A)(3).

  
Megan R. Kapaun  
Staff Director