

## SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

# CRAIG N. MEIDL CHIEF OF POLICE

### Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C17-019 OPO Number: 17-11

Date of Complaint: 3/22/2017

Allegation: Inadequate Response and Biased Policing

Chain of Command Finding: Administratively Suspended

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

#### **INCIDENT SYNOPSIS**

A Spokane Police Officer issued a Chronic Nuisance Notice to the complainant, due to several criminal incidents at the residence. The complainant went to trial for the criminal matter, was found guilty, and then filed for appeal. While the verdict was pending appeal, the same officer issued her another citation related to the nuisance.

#### **COMPLAINT**

The complainant alleged Inadequate Response and Biased Policing by the officer. She felt that the officer was targeting her without cause.

#### **INVESTIGATION**

The Internal Affairs investigator reviewed all available documentation about the case. Within a few days of submitting the complaint, the complainant contacted Internal Affairs and the Police Ombudsman, requesting to pause the I.A. investigation until the criminal matters against her were adjudicated.

#### ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The Internal Affairs Lieutenant asked for the case to be Administratively Suspended, until all court proceedings are completed and the complainant advises she is ready to proceed. The Police Ombudsman concurred.