



SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C18-005 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 1/16/2018

Allegation: Multiple

Chain of Command Finding: Unfounded

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The Complainant (an SPD detective) brought forward allegations that an officer (another SPD employee) had advised an employer to not hire a relative of the Complainant's.

COMPLAINT

The Complainant said that his relative notified him that she learned that a Spokane Police Officer had called her current employer and said that she should not have been hired. The Complainant filed a complaint against the officer for calling the employer and saying disparaging things about her.

INVESTIGATION

Several people were interviewed for this investigation to include the Complainant, the Complainant's relative, the accused officer, a witness and someone from the current employer.

The accused officer knows people who work where the Complainant's relative works. He did have conversations with at least one person he knows there but it could not be proven that he said anything that would violate policy.

The Complainant's relative did not want the investigator having any further conversations with her current employer regarding the investigation. Therefore, the investigation was completed without further conversations with the current employer.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

Allegations against the employee were unfounded.

Policy Violation 340.3.5(c), Members of the Spokane Police Department shall treat as confidential all matters relating to investigations, internal affairs, and personnel.

Standard Violation 9.5, Unauthorized access and/or, intentional release of designated confidential information, personnel file materials, data, forms or reports.