

SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

CRAIG N. MEIDL CHIEF OF POLICE

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C18-084 OPO Number: 18-51

Date of Complaint: 9/26/2018

Allegation: Inadequate Response and Demeanor

Chain of Command Finding: Inquiry

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The complainant's business was burglarized. The detective assigned to the investigation was slow to respond and was very short with the complainant. She did not act in a timely fashion.

COMPLAINT

The complainant felt that the detective "brushed him off" and he got the impression that the detective was not familiar with the case.

INVESTIGATION

Internal Affairs had the supervisor investigate the demeanor part of the complaint, that she was short and dismissive with him. When the detective was interviewed, she said she had multiple conversations with the complainant. She said each time she answered his questions and at no times said anything dismissive to him or ignored his requests. When the complainant was asked for specifics about the detective's demeanor, he did not provide any statements that suggested inappropriate demeanor. He had the impression, "Don't call me; I'll call you," from their conversation.

The investigation showed that the detective conducted her investigation and filed the paperwork with the prosecutor. The IA lieutenant stated that all indications suggest that the detective conducted the investigation in a timely fashion, and conducted it thoroughly, resulting in prosecution.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The complaint was closed as an Inquiry.