



SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C18-090 OPO Number: 18-57
Date of Complaint: 10/18/2018
Allegation: Inadequate Response / Demeanor
Chain of Command Finding: Inquiry
Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The complainant was involved in a road rage incident as a pedestrian. He reported he was assaulted by the driver of a vehicle and by a business owner on whose property part of the incident occurred.

COMPLAINT

It was alleged that the officers who responded did not adequately address the assault as reported by the complainant. It was also alleged that the officer's demeanor made him feel as if he was in the wrong.

INVESTIGATION

Internal Affairs reviewed the body worn camera footage, and it was determined that the officer adequately handled the assault report. They reported the incident as required, checked the complainant for injuries, and spoke to a witness, but did not develop probable cause for an arrest. The recording also determined that the officers used appropriate demeanor in their contact with the complainant.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

As the allegations involved questions as to appropriate level of reporting and whether or not development of probable cause existed, and a general feeling toward the officer's demeanor as opposed to specific allegations of demeanor, this complaint was classified as an inquiry.