

SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C20-008 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 2/6/2020

Allegation: Demeanor and Inadequate Response

Chain of Command Finding: Administratively Suspended

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

On 09/14/19, Spokane Police Officers responded to an assault in progress in a north Spokane neighborhood. When they arrived they contacted two transient citizens who had been in a physical altercation. The officers investigated and developed probable cause to arrest the female involved. Two weeks later, the female requested to contact the same investigating officer and wanted her accuser charged as well. The officer took a report but did not develop probable cause to make a charge at that time.

COMPLAINT

The complainant alleged that on 10/04/2019, the SPD Officer who investigated the case did not do enough serve her and was unprofessional in his interaction with her.

INVESTIGATION

A review was conducted of the Officer's BWC (Body Worn Cameras) as well as all related police reports. Several attempts were made to interview the complainant to get context to her complaint but she did return the calls from Internal Affairs.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

After a lengthy investigation, the officer's conduct was determined to be appropriate because his report his actions and documentation were thorough and objective. The officers demeanor was also deemed to be professional and within department standards.