



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C20-035 OPO Number: N/A
Date of Complaint: 5/6/2020
Allegation: Demeanor and Conduct Unbecoming
Chain of Command Finding: Sustained
Final Discipline: Suspension

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The complainant stated that police were called about an incident at the bank. There was a report of a female who was attempting to cash a fraudulent check. During the interaction, one officer's behavior was inappropriate, and he made a profane comment. The complainant stated the interaction with the officer was unprofessional.

COMPLAINT

The official allegations were Demeanor and Conduct Unbecoming.

INVESTIGATION

Internal Affairs reviewed reports, bodyworn camera, video from the bank, and interviewed the officers and complainant. The officer was unhappy with how the female was treated at the bank and felt she was a victim of a scam operation. He expressed his disapproval with the bank manager's decision to trespass her from the premises. Investigators saw that the officer used profanity when addressing the manager and did not represent the department in a professional way.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The allegations of Demeanor and Conduct Unbecoming were Sustained per the Chief of Police. The officer received a one-day suspension.