

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C21-026 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 5/11/2021

Allegation: Solicitation of a Personal Relationship

Chain of Command Finding: Sustained

Final Discipline: Written Reprimand

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

An SPD employee interviewed an applicant for a civilian employment position within the department. The evening after the interview, the employee contacted the applicant via a social media platform. The employee and applicant exchanged messages for several days until the applicant closed their social media account.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant alleged this communication made them uncomfortable.

INVESTIGATION:

The investigator interviewed all parties involved. The investigator reviewed screenshots of social media posts and messages.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The investigation and subsequent review concluded the employee did use their official capacity to facilitate a personal relationship.

