



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CHIEF OF POLICE
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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C21-051 OPO Number: N/A
Date of Complaint: 6/27/2021
Allegation: Supervisor Reporting
Chain of Command Finding: Sustained
Final Discipline: Multiple

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

Officers responded to an incident in which a suspect was arrested. During the arrest, a K9 was used to apprehend the suspect. Following the arrest, the suspect alleged they were struck in the face (assaulted) by an officer. An SPD Sergeant responded to the scene and to the hospital but failed to act upon or document the allegation of an excessive use of force.

COMPLAINT:

The SPD Sergeant failed to appropriately act, report, and document the allegation of an excessive use of force.

INVESTIGATION:

Spokane Police Department Internal Affairs investigated this complaint. Multiple interviews were conducted, reports were reviewed, and body worn camera video was reviewed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

Spokane Police Department Internal Affairs determined the sergeant should have acted upon the allegation and should have reported along with documenting the allegation. Additionally, this investigation sustained the allegation of an officer assaulting the complainant.

