

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C22-004 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 1/11/2022

Allegation: Demeanor and Fail to Identify as an Officer

Chain of Command Finding: Administratively Suspended

Final Discipline: Verbal Counseling

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

SPD Officers responded to a call at a hospital involving a reported uncooperative patient in the waiting room who was refusing to leave. Officers eventually arrested the uncooperative patient (complainant) for trespassing.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant alleged that one of the officers was discourteous to her and refused to identify himself when requested.

INVESTIGATION:

The investigator interviewed the complainant, reviewed body worn camera footage and the officers' reports.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The investigation concluded that while the officer spoke sternly with a loud voice to the complainant, it did not constitute disrespectful or discourteous treatment. When the complainant requested the officer's name and badge number, he stated that she would get it. The officer never directly provided it to the complainant, however it was contained on paperwork provided to the complainant upon her arrest. This was referred to the officer's supervisor for informal follow up.

