



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CHIEF OF POLICE
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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C22-007 OPO Number: N/A
Date of Complaint: 2/1/2022
Allegation: Policy Violation
Chain of Command Finding: Closed
Final Discipline: Additional Training

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

An SPD Officer took a civilian on a ride-a-long for part of his shift. The civilian signed a ride along request form. The officer failed to have the civilian sign the ride-a-long waiver form. The officer later completed the form with the civilian's information.

COMPLAINT:

An SPD employee noticed the handwriting and signatures were different on the two ride-a-long forms. The complainant employee was concerned that a different civilian from the one listed in the request had gone on a ride-a-long.

INVESTIGATION:

The investigator reviewed the documents, interviewed the involved officer, and reviewed communication with the civilian who completed the ride-a-long request form.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The investigation concluded that the civilian who completed the request form did in fact go on the ride-a-long. The officer failed to have that civilian complete the waiver form. The officer later completed the waiver form himself. The officer, a newer employee, had never been trained or instructed on how to complete the forms. He received corrective training on completing the appropriate ride-a-long forms.

