



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CHIEF OF POLICE
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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C23-012 OPO Number: 23-10
Date of Complaint: 2/14/2023
Allegation: Excessive Force
Chain of Command Finding: Multiple
Final Discipline: Multiple

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

The complainant was concerned about two incidents involving their son. One incident involved the use of a taser during his arrest and the second involved their son being tackled during a separate arrest.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant believed they two incidents were excessive.

INVESTIGATION:

The Spokane Police Department Internal Affairs did a thorough investigation into all allegations. The I.A. investigator reviewed all pertinent material related to the incident, and watched all body worn cameras. The incident with the Taser had also gone through a chain of command review for the reviewable use of force.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The incident involving the Taser use was determined to be within policy through a chain of command review. The allegation of excessive force was exonerated. The second incident involving a tackle was reviewed through the chain of command and the allegation of excessive force was exonerated. The chain of command did recognize the arresting officer did not state specific language required by new legislation while detaining the individual and the officer received training as a result.

