



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CHIEF OF POLICE
CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C23-056 OPO Number: N/A
Date of Complaint: 5/28/2023
Allegation: Excessive Force
Chain of Command Finding: Exonerated
Final Discipline: Closed

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

The complainant breached the perimeter of a law enforcement-controlled scene and approached an officer. The officer escorted the complainant back towards the perimeter. The complainant pulled his arm away from the officer and when this occurred, the officer pushed the complainant away creating distance between the two. The complainant wanted to file a complaint for excessive force.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant was alleging excessive force.

INVESTIGATION:

The Spokane Police Department Internal Affairs did a thorough investigation into the allegation. The I.A. investigator reviewed all pertinent material related to the incident including the body worn cameras of the officers on scene.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

Internal Affairs was able to determine from reviewing the body worn cameras, the minimal force used to move the complainant back was justified, lawful and proper.

