

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF OF POLICE KEVIN HALL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C24-072 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 9/10/2024

Allegation: Improper Search/Seizure and Demeanor

Chain of Command Finding: Closed

Final Discipline: Verbal Counseling

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

SPD Officers were working an emphasis patrol in a high crime area. Two SPD officers contacted two occupants sleeping in a vehicle. Officers observed evidence of a crime. Officers seized the vehicle and later executed a search warrant, seizing evidence. An officer submitted a charging request related to the incident.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant alleged that the officers' contact and eventual seizure of the vehicle and its occupants was not proper or lawful. During the investigation of that allegation, the investigator observed one officer engaging in discourteous or disrespectful conduct.

INVESTIGATION:

The investigator reviewed body camera footage, written reports, and other records.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The investigation concluded the officers' contact and seizure with the vehicle and its occupants was within policy and the law. The issue of discourteous conduct was forwarded to the officer's supervisor for informal counseling.

