

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF OF POLICE KEVIN HALL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C25-015 OPO Number: 25-14

Date of Complaint: 2/9/2025

Allegation: False/Misleading Statement, Inadequate Response, Demeanor and

Biased Policing

Chain of Command Finding: Unfounded

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

The complainant and another driver were involved in a vehicle collision. The complainant and the other driver pulled into a nearby parking lot and became involved in an argument about the collision. Three Spokane Police officers responded to the scene of the collision and investigated the incident.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant contacted the Spokane Office of the Police Ombuds and stated that an off-duty Spokane Police officer ran a red light and caused a collision with the complainant's vehicle. The complainant stated that when they pulled over, the driver approached yelling and threatening to assault them. Additionally, the complainant alleged the responding on-duty officer did not complete a thorough collision investigation and showed preferential (biased) treatment by not citing the off-duty officer for the collision. The complainant said the off-duty officer should have said they were off-duty law enforcement.

INVESTIGATION:

Spokane Police Internal Affairs investigated the complaint which included an interview with the complainant, the review of several body worn camera videos, and a review of the collision report and CAD dispatch records.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

It was confirmed the person involved in the collision that the complainant thought was an off-duty Spokane Police Officer, was not a police officer at all. Additionally, the responding officers arrived at the scene and conducted a thorough collision investigation.

