



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

KEVIN HALL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C25-041 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 4/2/2025

Allegation: Inadequate Response

Chain of Command Finding: Closed

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

An internal complaint was generated through an investigative sergeant after concerns were raised about a call response by an officer and a sergeant. The complaint regarded an officer's decision to arrest a person for a DV assault charge. The charge was dropped within days by the prosecutor's office. The complainants talked with the arresting officer's sergeant on scene about their concerns following the call. They felt dismissed and placated by the sergeant.

COMPLAINT:

The complaint was that of an inadequate response, improper arrest, dishonesty, refusal to provide adequate medical assistance, and improper demeanor for the arresting officer. The on-scene sergeant received an inadequate response and demeanor complaint regarding his alleged response to the complainant's concerns.

INVESTIGATION:

The investigator reviewed all BWC footage, reports, and charging documents. The original complainants from the domestic violence call refused to cooperate with the investigation.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The BWC footage showed the arresting officer appeared empathetic and compassionate in his interactions with the involved citizens. The arresting officers' investigation and actions were within policy. The arrest charge was affirmed by a prosecutor and judge the morning following the arrest. The charge was ultimately dropped by the prosecutor's office two days after the arrest. The arresting officer's report was consistent with his BWC footage. All complaints against the arresting officer were closed.

The complaints against the sergeant were closed – due to the complainants being unwilling to respond to investigators. The sergeant's conversation with the complainants was not recorded on a BWC. The sergeant's supervisor was asked to follow up on this minor policy violation.

