

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF OF POLICE KEVIN HALL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C25-043 OPO Number: 25-04

Date of Complaint: 4/21/2025

Allegation: Inadequate Response, Biased Policing and Demeanor

Chain of Command Finding: Unfounded

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

Two Spokane Police Officers responded to a report of disorderly juveniles at the STA Plaza in Downtown Spokane. STA Security SPD to request assistance as the juvenile were disrupting the facility and refused to leave when asked. Upon the officer's arrival, one of the juveniles continued to be disruptive and was eventually handcuffed. STA Security trespassed the juveniles and they were allowed to leave with no arrests made.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant contacted the Office of the Police Ombuds with several complaints, most notably that the officer decided to handcuff the juvenile who was black, but not the others, who were white. Additionally, the complainant reported the demeanor of the officer was not appropriate and the overall response to the situation was inadequate.

INVESTIGATION:

Spokane Police Internal Affairs investigated this matter. Police CAD, written reports, STA Plaza surveillance camera video and body worn camera video were reviewed. The officer involved was interviewed. A chain of command review of this complaint was also completed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

As a result of this investigation, it was determined that the allegations of Inadequate Response, Biased Policing, and Demeanor were all Unfounded - When the investigation discloses that the alleged act(s) did not occur or did not involve department personnel.

