

# OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

# **Closed Case Summary**

# Complaint Number OPA#2015-0814

## Issued Date: 12/30/2015

Named Employee #1	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 5.001 (2) Employees Must Adhere to Laws, City Policy and Department Policy (Policy that was issued 04/01/15)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Unfounded)
Final Discipline	N/A

Named Employee #2	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 5.001 (2) Employees Must Adhere to Laws, City Policy and Department Policy (Policy that was issued 04/01/15)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Unfounded)
Final Discipline	N/A

## **INCIDENT SYNOPSIS**

The named employees were dispatched to a DV assault. When they arrived they were told that the complainant, who appeared to have been drinking, had struck her daughter's boyfriend. The named employees arrested the complainant and transported her to a precinct. While in transport, the complainant made threats to the named employees that they would be raped. The named employees then transported the complainant to jail. Upon arrival she made the accusation that the named employees had raped her and stole her money. The jail refused to

take custody of the complainant due to her accusation. The complainant was then transported to a hospital for evaluation and then was later booked into jail.

#### COMPLAINT

The complainant alleged to the she was raped by the named employees and that they took her money.

#### **INVESTIGATION**

The OPA investigation included the following actions:

- 1. Review of the complaint memo
- 2. Search for and review of all relevant records and other evidence
- 3. Review of In-Car Videos
- 4. Interviews of SPD employees

#### ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The evidence showed that named employee #2 had developed probable cause to arrest the complainant. The complainant was highly inebriated and verbally hostile towards the named employees during and after her arrest. The complainant's arrest, transport to the precinct, transport to the jail, and transport to the hospital were all captured on In-Car Video. At no time was there a pause or break in the video. The recordings showed that the named employees did not rape the complainant and that they did not take her money.

#### **FINDINGS**

#### Named Employee #1 and #2

Allegation #1

There is no evidence that is consistent with the allegations made by the complainant against the named employees. Therefore a finding of **Not Sustained** (Unfounded) was issued for *Employees Must Adhere to Laws, City Policy and Department Policy*.

NOTE: The Seattle Police Department Manual policies cited for the allegation(s) made for this OPA Investigation are policies that were in effect during the time of the incident. The issued date of the policy is listed.