



Seattle Office of Inspector General

To: Gino Betts, OPA Director
CC: Daniel Okada, OPA Assistant Director of Investigations
From: Payton Schenck, OIG Public Safety Audit and Investigation Specialist
Date: March 7, 2023
Re: OIG Certification Memo for 2021OPA-0512

OIG Certification Memo

OIG has reviewed the investigation for case 2021OPA-0512. The investigation is certified as thorough, timely, and objective.

While reviewing the file it appears that there was a short period of time in which OPA did not follow OPA Manual section 8.2 Criminal Referrals Subsection C. Tracking criminal cases, which requires OPA to follow up with the investigating agency twice a month. However, OPA appeared to follow this protocol throughout the majority of the investigation despite the nearly year-long wait before OPA was provided a prosecution decision. OIG does not feel this delay is significant to enough to impact our final certification decision.

Respectfully,

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