



OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number OPA#2016-1399

Issued Date: 07/20/2017

Named Employee #1	
Allegation #1	<u>Seattle Police Department Manual</u> 5.140 (2) Bias-Free Policing: Officers Will Not Engage in Bias Based Policing (Policy that was issued August 1, 2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Unfounded)
Final Discipline	N/A

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The Named Employee arrived at an Emergency Services Center regarding an Assault call for service.

COMPLAINT

The Complainant alleges that the Named Employee only arrested him because he was black and the victim was white. The Complainant indicated that he was a victim in a previous Domestic Violence (DV) assault that had occurred earlier in the day, but the subject had not been arrested because she was white and he was black.

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 (ICV)
4. Interview of SPD employee

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The OPA investigation produced no evidence to support the Complainant's allegation that the Named Employee was motivated by racial bias in any of his actions or decisions in connection with the Complainant. In addition, the OPA investigation showed that the Named Employee had sufficient basis for the mandatory DV arrest of the Complainant.

FINDINGS

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The OPA investigation produced no evidence to support the Complainant's allegation.

Therefore a finding of **Not Sustained** (Unfounded) was issued for *Bias-Free Policing: Officers Will Not Engage in Bias Based Policing*.

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.