



# Seattle Office of Inspector General

**To:** Gino Betts, OPA Director  
**CC:** Dan Okada, OPA Assistant Director of Investigations  
**From:** Nicolette Lattanzio, OIG Public Safety Audit and Investigation Specialist  
**Date:** January 30, 2023  
**Re:** Partial Certification Memo for Case Number: 2022OPA-0276

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## Partial Certification Memo

OIG has reviewed the investigation for case number 2022OPA-0276. OIG can certify this case as thorough and objective. This case cannot be certified as timely.

Under Article 3.6 (A) of the SPOG CBA, “the OPA shall furnish the employee and the Guild with a classification report no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the complaint by the OPA.”

In this case, the 30-day classification notice was due to be sent 9/25/22. It was sent 9/26/22. While this may have been related to the fact that the 30-day classification notice was due on a Sunday, the CBA makes no distinction between business days or any other as it applies to the classification notice requirements.

Too, such untimeliness, according to SPOG, is taken into consideration in cases where discipline is being considered.

Therefore, while this case can be certified as thorough and objective, it cannot be certified as timely.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nicolette Lattanzio".

Nicolette Lattanzio, OIG Public Safety and Investigation Specialist