

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number OPA#2016-0556

Issued Date: 02/24/2017

Named Employee #1	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 8.200 (1) Using Force: Use of Force: When Authorized (Policy that was issued September 1, 2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Unfounded)
Final Discipline	N/A

Named Employee #2	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 8.200 (1) Using Force: Use of Force: When Authorized (Policy that was issued September 1, 2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Unfounded)
Final Discipline	N/A

Named Employee #3	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 8.200 (1) Using Force: Use of Force: When Authorized (Policy that was issued September 1, 2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Unfounded)
Final Discipline	N/A

Named Employee #4	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 8.200 (1) Using Force: Use of Force: When Authorized (Policy that was issued September 1, 2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Unfounded)
Final Discipline	N/A

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The Named Employees interacted with the complainant.

COMPLAINT

The complainant alleged he was pushed around by the Named Employees while he was in their custody. He also alleged that there was a "free-for-all" with him inside an elevator, and that he was allegedly injured due to the force they used.

INVESTIGATION

The OPA investigation included the following actions:

- 1. Review of the complaint memo
- 2. Review of external investigation documents
- 3. Search for and review of all relevant records and other evidence
- 4. Interviews of SPD employees

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The preponderance of the evidence from this investigation supported the conclusion that Named Employees #1, #2, #3, and #4 did not use force, other than de minimis force, on the complainant.

FINDINGS

Named Employees #1, #2, #3, and #4

Allegation #1

A preponderance of the evidence showed the Named Employees did not use force, other than de minimis force, on the complainant. Therefore a finding of **Not Sustained** (Unfounded) was issued for *Using Force: Use of Force: When Authorized.*

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.