



Seattle Office of Inspector General

To: Bonnie Glenn, OPA Director
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Re: Partial Certification Memo for Case Number: 2025OPA-0477

Partial Certification Memo

OIG has reviewed the investigation for case number 2025OPA-0477.

During the review of OPA's interview with the Named Employee ("NE"), there were observed examples of leading questions that affected the overall objectivity of the interview:

- The OPA Investigator asked NE [00:04:44], "Did you have the impression that things were going to be okay on their own, or like, what were you feeling at the time?"
- The OPA investigator asked NE [00:12:32], "Okay. Did you feel like you should stay awake for safety reasons?"
- The OPA Investigator asked NE [00:17:41], "Would it be safe to say, based on what your mom had told you, you had concerns with him (Complainant) having, you know, possessing loaded guns while he was in the house with you, or packing or moving out?"
- When asking about the nature of the Complainant calling the police, the OPA Investigator asked NE [00:21:58], "Okay, was the reason for that, that he didn't want you to move his stuff?"
- The OPA Investigator asked NE [00:25:47], "Would it be safe to say that you think [the Complainant] had the right to not move out that day, but you moved him out anyway, and it was because of concerns for your mother's safety?"

Additionally, the NE's narrative appears to heavily involve elements of domestic violence ("DV"); however, the OPA Investigator did not appear to ask questions further exploring the DV, especially as NE's narrative appears to conflict with other narratives which had no mention of DV.

There was also an issue with the NE being paid 10 hours of training time while he was out of state dealing with this incident. OIG does not feel OPA explored that topic thoroughly enough with the NE.

Furthermore, it appears there was an allegation of Professionalism that was classified for this investigation; however, said allegation did not appear to be fully addressed during the interview with NE.

Accordingly, OIG can certify this case as timely, but not objective and not thorough.

Respectfully,

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