



## OFFICE OF POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY

### Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number 2016OPA-1179

Issued Date: 03/12/2018

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

#### **INCIDENT SYNOPSIS**

The complainant was arrested and taken to the precinct.

#### **COMPLAINT**

The complainant alleged that the Named Employee "threw her around the cell and slammed her head."

#### **INVESTIGATION**

The OPA investigation included the following actions:

1. Review of the complaint memo
2. Review of precinct cameras
3. Search for and review of all relevant records and other evidence

## **ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION**

The complainant alleged that Named Employee #1 used excessive force on her while she was in the precinct holding cell. The complainant was arrested for robbery and transported to the precinct. While in the holding cell she alleged that she was thrown around by the Named Employee and struck her head. Another supervisor responded and investigated the allegation. The complainant refused to provide a statement and did not respond to multiple attempts by OPA to interview her. A review of the holding cell video showed that the Named Employee did not have any physical contact with the complainant. The other officer assisted her to a seated position but there was no force used.

## **FINDINGS**

### **Named Employee #1**

#### Allegation #1

The preponderance of the evidence showed that the Named Employee did not have any physical contact with 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.*