



December 10, 2019

Director Andrew Myerberg
Office of Professional Accountability
PO Box 34986
Seattle, WA 98124-4986

Dear Director Myerberg,

Please see the below Management Recommendation response

Case Numbers:

2018OPA-0018: 2018MAR-0099

Topic:

Searches

Summary of the Management Action:

Allegation that employees violated SPD Policy 6.180 – Searches General by performing a warrantless search of a vacant home.

Original Recommendation:

Clarify and communicate to officers (via e-learning or a roll call training) whether warrantless searches of vacant homes are permissible and, if so, under what circumstances.

Action Taken:

The recently completed 2019 Sergeant Skills training course included guidance on searching vacant homes. It is the expectation that sergeants will conduct roll call training using the 2019 Legal Updates Roll Call Training curriculum to relay the pertinent expectations and legal standards to their personnel.

SPD Considers this Management Action:

Fully Implemented

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "L. CORDNER".

Assistant Chief Lesley Cordner
Professional Standards Bureau