### Citizen Complaint and Inquiry Form

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## OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF SPOKANE COUNTY Internal Investigation CASE FINDING NOTICE

TO:	Mr. Dave Byrn	nes	•	Date:	10/30/08	
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## Spokane County Sheriff's Office Ozzie D. Knezovich, Sheriff



"In partnership with the community - Dedicated to your safety"

October 8, 2008

David L Byrnes Spokane County Sheriff's Office 1100 W. Mallon Spokane, Washington 99260-0300

RE: POTENTIAL FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION (Loudermill Notification)

Dear Mr. Byrnes:

This correspondence is official notification that I am considering disciplinary action against you, up to and including termination.

Our records indicate that you were employed as Deputy Director of Emergency Management on February 20, 1996. You were employed as Region IX Coordinator, Homeland Security on January 3, 2006.

On October 8, 2008, the following information was brought to my attention concerning the performance of your official duties. The following facts, assertions, and/or allegations of misconduct are being alleged:

- 1. On October 6, 2008 on or about 1947 hrs, you were placed under arrest by the Stevens County Sheriff's Office and charged with RCW 46.61.502 Driving Under the Influence, incident # 08-07898. The resulting investigation determined that your BAC was at the time of the incident. You engaged in criminal conduct by driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor.
- 2. On October 6, 2008 on or about 1947 hrs, you were placed under arrest by the Stevens County Sheriff's Office and charged with RCW 46.61.502 Driving Under the Influence, incident # 08-07898. The resulting investigation determined that your BAC was at the time of the incident. You failed to adhere to the Sheriff's Office alcohol use policy.

Mr. Dave Byrnes IA #08-0061

3. On October 7, 2008, you did not show up for work and did not contact your supervisor to explain your absence or request leave prior to your scheduled work day. You failed to report for duty.

Your work history with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office consists of:

 March 14, 2007, Sustained – 1) Criminal Conduct (DUI); 2) Fail to report for duty; 3) Violation of alcohol policy; 40 hours suspension without pay.

The aforementioned allegations of misconduct, if proven, lead me to believe that you have demonstrated disgraceful conduct, and have caused injury to public service. Your conduct is unbecoming an employee and in violation of:

#### Civil Service: RCW 41.14.110 TENURE - GROUNDS FOR DEPRIVATION

The tenure of every person holding an office, place, position, or employment under the provisions of this chapter shall be only during good behavior, and any such person may be removed or discharged, suspended without pay, demoted, or reduced in rank, or deprived of vacation privileges or other special privileges for any of the following reasons.

- (1) Incompetency, inefficiency, or inattention to, or dereliction of duty;
- (2) Dishonesty, intemperance, immoral conduct, insubordination, discourteous treatment of the public, or fellow employee, or any other act of omission or commission tending to injure the public service; or any other willful failure on the part of the employee to properly conduct himself; or any willful violation of the provisions of this chapter or the rules and regulations to be adopted hereunder.
- (4) Dishonest, disgraceful, or prejudicial conduct;
- (7) Any other act or failure to act which in the judgment of the civil service commission is sufficient to show the offender to be an unsuitable and unfit person to be employed in the public service.

#### RCW 46.61.502 Driving under the influence.

- (1) A person is guilty of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug if the person drives a vehicle within this state:
- (a) And the person has, within two hours after driving, an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or higher as shown by analysis of the person's breath or blood made under RCW 46.61.506; or
- (b) While the person is under the influence of or affected by intoxicating liquor or any drug; or
- (c) While the person is under the combined influence of or affected by intoxicating liquor and any drug.

#### Rules and Regulations 7.06.08 CRIMINAL CONDUCT

Members will obey all laws of the United States, Washington State, and this jurisdiction. Violations of any law, an indictment or information filed against a member, or a conviction will be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment. See Policy 6.4.4.

#### Rules and Regulations 7.06.10 USE OF ALCOHOL

<u>Use on duty</u>: A member while on active duty shall not drink intoxicating liquor or alcoholic beverages of any kind except in the actual performance of his/her assigned duty requiring its use. A member who reports for duty or is on duty under the influence of liquor or drugs to any degree or is unfit for duty because of excessive use, or who has the odor of an alcoholic beverage on his/her breath when reporting for duty, or while on active duty, shall be deemed in violation of the rules and regulations and subject to disciplinary action.

<u>Use off duty</u>: No member while off duty shall consume any alcoholic beverage to the extent which would result in the commission of an obnoxious or offensive behavior which might tend to bring discredit upon him/her self or the Sheriff's Office, or conduct him/her self in a manner that is unbecoming, or use intoxicating liquors to the extent which renders him/her unfit to report for his/her next regular tour of duty. **See Policy 16.3.17.** 

#### Rules and Regulations 5.04.00 REPORTING FOR DUTY

All personnel will report for duty on time and be physically and mentally fit to perform their duties. They will be properly equipped and make themselves aware of any information necessary for proper performance of the duties on their shift. See Policy 13.8.

Prior to determining what ultimate disciplinary action, up to and including termination to take, I will afford you the opportunity to respond to the facts and assertions within this correspondence.

Accordingly, I will give you until 1000 hrs on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2008, to submit in writing any comments and/or information which you believe may have a bearing upon the above information and what, if any, disciplinary action I should take with respect to such information.

Very Truly Yours,

Sele D. Knezovich
Spokane County Sheriff

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#### 9 October 2008

Ozzie D. Knezovich, Sheriff Spokane County Sheriff's Office 1100 W. Mallon Spokane, Washington 99260-0300

#### RE: Potential for Disciplinary Action

Dear Sheriff Knezovich:

I am writing this letter to express my deepest regrets for my actions this week. I was arrested for Driving Under the Influence and was absent without leave. When I arrived at work Wednesday, 8 October 2008 I disclosed the situation to Tom Mattern.

I have been in continuous treatment for alcoholism at a since May of 2006. I have struggled with this disease for many years. My treatment has included nightly and weekly meetings at and one on one meetings with an individual counselor. In addition I attend a regular Tuesday night Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.

Immediately after talking with Tom Mattern Wednesday morning, I called my counselor at a latended my regular two hour meeting that night. I met with my counselor today, Thursday 9 October 2008 and we discussed the possible causes and effect of my relapse. We also discussed the possibility of seeking a deferred prosecution. If this were granted I would be in an extensive two (2) year treatment program at a latendary and be on probation for five years. The successful completion of this deferred prosecution could clear my record.

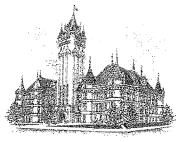
I have been a contributing member of this community for many years. I take full responsibility for my actions. I believe a thirty day suspension would be more than fair. I appreciate your consideration of my situation.

Respectfully,

David L. Byrnes



## Spokane County Sheriff's Office Ozzie D. Knezovich, Sheriff



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## OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

FAX
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TO:

STEVEN'S COUNTY SHERIFF RECORDS DIVISION

FAX NUMBER:

684-7536

FROM:

LT. WILLIAM ROSE

FAX NUMBER:

477-2576

DATE:

10/08/2008

**REGARDING:** 

08-07898

TOTAL NUMBER OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER:

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PHONE NUMBER FOR FOLLOW-UP:

509-477-6930

**COMMENTS:** 

**THANKS** 



# Spokane County Sheriff's Office Ozzie D. Knezovich, Sheriff



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October 8, 2008

To Whom It May Concern: Steven's County Sheriff's Office

We have been informed that a member of our office was arrested by one of your deputies on 10/06/2008 at approximately 1947 hours. Your case number is 08-07898. We are conducting an internal administrative investigation and would appreciate it if you could FAX us a copy of your report as soon as practical. Our FAX number is 477-2576. Thank you for your assistance

Sincerely, Ozzie Knezovich, Sheriff

Lieutenant William Rose
Office of Professional Standards
477-6930

#### OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF SPOKANE COUNTY

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

David L. Byrnes

FROM:

Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich

DATE:

10/08/2008

RE:

Administrative Leave Conditions

As a result of an incident which occurred on 10/06/2008, I am placing you on paid Administrative Leave effective 10/09/2008.

I take this action in order to facilitate the investigation of this incident and in recognition of the potential stress and anxiety which you might experience during this investigation. During the period of Administrative Leave, you are to comply with the following conditions:

#### WRITTEN ORDER

As Sheriff, of the Spokane County Sheriff's Office, I hereby order:

- I. You are hereby placed on paid Administrative Leave.
- II. While on Administrative Leave, you will strictly adhere to the following guidelines:
  - a) While on Administrative Leave, your normal working hours will be 0900-1700, Monday through Friday;
  - b) You are to remain at your residence, available to the department, during your normal working hours so that we can reach you telephonically or in person as needed;
  - c) No alcohol use during work hours;
  - d) If you find it necessary to leave your residence for any reason during your normal working hours, you are to notify Tom Mattern (477-7607), Lt. William Rose (477-6930) or Lt. Earl Howerton (477-2695) by telephone:

Administrative Leave Conditions Memo

De 10/8/08

#### OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF SPOKANE COUNTY

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

David L. Byrnes

FROM:

**Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich** 

DATE:

10/10/2008

RE:

**Rescinding of Administrative Leave Conditions** 

As of 10/10/08 at 1000 hours I am rescinding my order of 10/08/08 placing you on Administrative Leave. You are reinstated to your prior schedule and are to work in accordance with the directives of Tom Mattern who will be your direct supervisor throughout the remainder of this process. You are to report to Tom Mattern at your assigned work site upon receipt of this order.

#### SPOKANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

#### Complaint/Inquiry Investigative Report

#### \*NOT FOR RECORDS\*

IA# 08-0061

DATE:

October 16, 2008

CHARGE / INCIDENT:

Criminal Conduct

COMPLAINANT:

Internal

LOCATION OF INCIDENT:

Steven County, WA

DATE OF INCIDENT:

October 6, 2008

#### 10/08/08

I was directed to prepare a Loudermill Notification regarding this investigation. I did prepare that Loudermill Notification and gave it over to Lt. Bill Rose.

#### 10/09/08

#### 0830 hrs

I was aware that Lt. Rose had made request by fax to the Stevens County Sheriffs Office requesting a copy of the incident report regarding this investigation. We had not received the report by fax as expected.

I contacted the Stevens County Sheriffs' Office Records Division and spoke with She confirmed that they had received our agency fax requesting the report, #08-07898. I was told that I would need to speak with Stevens County DPA Lloyd Nichols at (509)684-7500 regarding the release of that report.

I did speak with Nichels, although I don't remember the exact time. I believe it was in the afternoon that I spoke with him. Nichels told me that he would not release the report to our agency at this time. He cited his belief that it was non-conviction data and not releasable until after the case went to court. He also stated that if he released it to me he would have to release it to members of the media and he didn't want that to happen.

I explained to him that Byrnes was an employee of ours and that we needed it to be able to conduct our administrative investigation. I told him that this wasn't a public records request but an agency request. I also cited my belief that it was releasable under a public records request because the investigation was complete and had been submitted to the prosecutors. I cited Cowles Pub. Co. v. SPD, City of Spokane 139 Wn.2d 472, 987 P.2d 620 (1999), as legal authority for this argument because I am aware of that case and it provides for limited release of police reports after the

investigation is complete. I did not know the cite number at the time and did not give him that as part of my argument.

Nichols told me that I would be allowed come to Stevens County and view the report or interview the arresting officer for the information that I need.

After speaking with Nichols I consulted with Spokane County DPA Steve Kinn regarding this matter. Kinn told me that Nichols was not applying the Public Records Act appropriately in withholding the report. He told me that if they were not willing to send the report as a matter of an agency request that we may need to send a formal public records request. He sent me the cite number for Cowles Pub. Co. v. SPD, City of Spokane to include if I made such request.

#### 1400 hrs

I briefed US Conner on my lack of progress and the obstacles that I had encountered in this matter. I told him of Steve Kinn's advice and wanted him to be aware of the situation. We discussed contacting the Sheriff of Stevens County Sheriff, Craig Thayer, about the matter. I mentioned that I personally knew Sheriff Thayer and would try to call him.

#### 1410 hrs

I called the Stevens County Sheriff's Office back and asked to speak with Sheriff Craig Thayer. I was told he was unavailable but that was available. I asked to speak with him. I was then told that he had stepped out of the office and would call me back.

#### 1540 hrs

I told that Dave Byrnes was an employee of the Sheriff's Office and that as a result of his arrest we needed the report for our administrative review. Was already aware of my conversation with DPA Nichols and told me that DPA Nichols was wrong and that we could have a copy of the report. He did say that he wanted to discuss the matter with Sheriff Thayer prior to sending the report but that he would be able to do that the next morning.

I told in the toconsider this my formal request for the report. I provided him a fax number (477-2576 – Civil) in which to fax it to us.

While on the phone, did give me details from the report and read the narrative to me. He told me that he had the report in his hands and was reading from it. The facts of this incident are as follows:

- A husband and wife were traveling along a road on the southwest side of Loon Lake when they came across a pickup in a ditch with a lone male occupant. The driver was attempted to drive out of the ditch but was not successful.
- The husband and wife stopped to help. The wife contacted the driver of the pickup.
- The driver of the pickup refused help and got out of the pickup.
- The wife had to help him out of the pickup.
- The driver stumbled 2 times while getting out of the pickup, nearly falling.

- The driver left the scene walking alongside the roadway.
- The driver took with him a paper bag with a bottle inside.
- A Stevens County Deputy responded to the incident and after contacting the husband found the driver walking a short distance away.
- The driver was identified as David L. Byrnes and was cooperative. There was evidence of intoxication regarding Byrnes.
- The pickup was registered to Byrnes
- Byrnes told them he worked for Spokane County\_
- Byrnes submitted to a BAC with results of
- The paper bag Byrnes was found to be carrying contained a sealed bottle of Scotch.
- Byrnes admitted to driving the pickup that was in the ditch
- Byrnes admitted to having a few drinks at home, driving to Geronimo's (Springdale) where he had a few more drinks, then drove home whereupon he became stuck in the ditch.
- Byrnes was cited for Driving While Intoxicated.

#### 10/10/08

I did not receive a faxed copy of the report from the Stevens County Sheriffs' Office nor did I receive any phone calls from anyone at the Stevens County Sheriff's Office.

The objective to obtain the incident report from Stevens County was turned back over to Lt. Rose.

Lt. Earl Howerton 59459 Spokane County Sheriff's Office Office of Professional Standards

#### **Administrative Report**

October 9, 2008

Reference: David L. Byrnes/59 10277

On Monday, October 6, 2008 at 0957 hours, I received an Email from David advising that he had hurt is back and eluded that he was reporting taking the day off.

On Tuesday, October 7, 2008, prior to the 0900 hour Spokane Disaster Council meeting I checked my phone messages and Email to ascertain if was going to call in sick again and I did not receive any such notification and Dave did not show up at the meeting. I arrived back at my office at about 1145 hours and checked my phone messages and Email and there were no reports from Dave as to his location.

I checked Dave's Outlook calendar and noticed that he had a scheduled meeting in Ferry County also on Tuesday, October 7, that indicated he was scheduled to be there at 1300 hours. I called and Spoke with and asked if he had heard from Dave and he said that he had not. Calendard that he attempted to call both his desk and cell phone and was not able to reach him. said that he was attempting to call Dave and advise that the 1600 hour meeting had been cancelled. I asked that if Dave showed up or he heard from him to please give me a call.

At about 1400 hours, Tuesday October 7, 2008 I received a phone call from Providence Health Care) asking if I knew where Dave was. Ben said that he called Dave's cell phone and some lady answered saying that she wasn't sure whose phone this was that it had been left at "Geronimo's" restaurant and lounge (Springdale), unknown when. I also tried several attempts to call Dave's cell to attempt to get an answer from the same person to attempt to determine when the phone was left however, no one ever answered. At about 1605 hours called and stated that Dave never did show or leave a message.

I called Dave's residence at about 1705 hours on Tuesday, October 7, 2008 and Dave answered the phone. His voice sounded rough and slightly mumbled. I asked what was going on. Dave replied he was just "kicking back". I asked Dave if he had been drinking and he said no, then I asked again and this time he replied yes and that he had was arrested last night for DWI. Dave stated that the officer drove him home and Dave also stated that his blood alcohol was a Dave said that he had picked up his phone from "Geronimo's" a couple hours ago. I asked Dave why he didn't call and tell me that he wasn't coming in. Dave replied he didn't know why.

I ended the conversation with Dave and Dave stated that he intended to coming into the office in the morning of the 8<sup>th</sup>.

On October 8, 2008 I spoke with Undersheriff Conner and Undersheriff Tower and briefed them on the incident with Dave Byrnes. I also had a brief conversation about the incident with Lt. Rose and Lt. Howerton.

Thomas F. Mattern

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#### **CITIZEN COMPLAINT**

**IA#:** 08-0061

**COMPLAINANT:** Internal

**MEMBER INVOLVED:** David L. Byrnes

**COMPLAINT:** Crime/ Violation of Alcohol Policy

By: Lt. Bill Rose

**Date:** 10/16/2008

In the morning hours of 10/08/08 I was contacted by US Conner and advised that David Byrnes had been arrested for DUI the night before. He was not certain what jurisdiction he was arrested in or the time of the arrest. He asked that we look into the allegation and complete the appropriate paperwork including an administrative leave order.

Tom Mattern was able to provide more detail regarding the arrest. He told us that the arrest occurred in Stevens County. He also told us that Dave Byrnes was cited and released.

I called Stevens County Dispatch at 1-800-572-0947. I was advised that the incident actually occurred on Monday 10/06/08 at approximately 1947 hours. They supplied me with their report number 08-07898. They transferred me to their records division to request the report.

I spoke to a Stevens County records clerk at approximately 1030 hours. She told me that if I faxed a written request to 509-684-7536 she would immediately fax back the report. I prepared a request and faxed it to the number provided.

Lt. Howerton prepared a Loudermill Notification while I prepared an Administrative Leave memo. I was directed to make the administrative leave effective 10/09/08 due to projects that Dave Byrnes was working on. The Loudermill Notification gave Dave Byrnes until 10/10/08 at 1000 hours to respond in writing to the accusations.

At approximately 1500 hours Lt. Howerton and I contacted Dave Byrnes at the Fire Training Center. We served him with the Loudermill Notification and the Administrative Leave Memo. He did not have any questions and appeared to be quite emotional. He told us that he had been in treatment for his alcohol problem for some time but that it did not seem to be working. He told us he would be staying with his wife.

He gave us a home phone number of the louder and a cell phone number of the told us he would keep Tom Mattern informed of his location.

When I returned to the office at approximately 1520 hours the report had still not arrived. Lt. Howerton called Stevens County and was told someone wanted to talk to us regarding the report. It was time for me to leave so Lt. Howerton advised them he would be working until 1600 hours.

I was scheduled for in-service training on 10/09/08 and asked Lt. Howerton to follow-up on the report if it did not arrive by the time he got to work. (See administrative report by Lt. Howerton)

At 1639 hours on 10/09/08 I received a voice mail from US Conner. He stated that if I had not received the reports in time for the Sheriff to deal with this incident on Friday that I was to

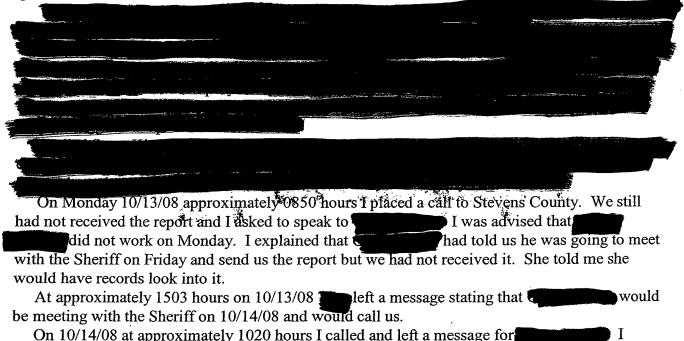
rescind the Administrative Leave Memo. He told me that Tom Mattern should be advised that Dave Byrnes was returning to work and should be limited to working at his desk while this investigation is completed.

On 10/10/08 I was advised by Lt. Howerton that an attorney from Stevens County had insisted that the report fell under the non-conviction exemption of the Public Records Act. He said we could come up and view it but they would not release a copy. Lt. Howerton later contacted because the Sheriff and Under Sheriff were out of town. apparently felt the attorney was incorrect. He told Lt. Howerton he would talk to the Sheriff on Friday and send us the report. (See administrative report by Lt. Howerton)

At approximately 0830 hours I was contacted by US Conner and advised that the Sheriff wanted the Administrative Leave Memo rescinded. He told me to make certain I contacted Tom Mattern and advise him of the change in Dave Byrnes' status. He again stated that Dave Byrnes needed to be limited to doing desk work. I prepared a memo rescinding the administrative Leave effective 10/10/08 at 1000 hours. I used this time because it was the deadline for Dave Byrnes to turn in his Loudermill response.

I met with Dave Byrnes in my office at approximately 0940 hours. He told me he had left his response for the Sheriff. I advised him that the Administrative Leave Memo was being rescinded and gave him the memo notifying him of the time and date he was being placed back on duty. He had arranged to spend the day with his wife so I contacted Tom Mattern and cleared the time off with him. He told me to advise Dave Byrnes to give him a leave request on Monday.

On 10/10/08 at approximately 1440 hours I was contacted by Lt. Conner in the OPS office. He asked that I contact Tim O'Brien regarding Dave Byrnes Loudermill response. Included with his written response were documents regarding his outpatient alcohol treatment. US Conner wanted me to see if there were any medical issues that needed to be considered in the disciplinary process.



asked that he review RCW 10.97.050 section 3. It allows for the sharing of unrestricted

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information between law enforcement agencies. I told him I felt it should alleviate any concerns they might have.

On 10/15/08 I again left a message for the least call and share their concerns regarding releasing the report. I told him my superiors were interested in the reason for the delay.

On 10/16/08 at approximately 1020 hours I received a call from US Conner had called and left him a message which precipitated the call. He told me that he was not avoiding me but they had been in budget meetings for the last several days. He had mentioned the situation to the Sheriff but had not been given an answer. He told me he would immediately contact the Sheriff and get back to me.

I received a call from at approximately 1105 hours. He told me that his Sheriff did not feel our request fell under RCW 10.97.050 because Dave Byrnes was a fireman. I told that Dave Byrnes is a retired fireman and that he is a Civil Service Employee who answers to the Department of Emergency Management and is supervised by Tom Mattern. I explained that his title is Region 9 Director for the Department of Homeland Security. I told that our office has disciplined him before. He told me he would talk to the "powers that be" and let me know. I asked about the public disclosure request route and he told me we had already heard their civil attorney's opinion about the report not being open to public disclosure because it is non-conviction data. He also told me that they have concerns because they feel they could be open to litigation should Dave Byrnes be terminated. I asked that he let me know their final answer.

At approximately 1200 hours I received a call from the Sheriff still feels that Dave Byrnes is not a criminal justice employee. The Sheriff asked that contact their civil prosecutors for a final determination. He told me that there would not be a prosecutor available until after 1300 hours.

On 10/16/08 at approximately 1347 hours I received a call from their legal adviser, Lloyd Nichels, did not feel that our request falls under RCW 10.97. He was advised that we would be making a public disclosure request.

Steve Kinn was notified of the decision of the Stevens County Civil Attorney. He was given the phone number for Lloyd Nichels. He said he would attempt to contact him.

On 10/17/08 at approximately 0910 hours I sent a fax to Stevens County containing a public disclosure request letter. The letter was signed by US Conner. I also mailed a copy of the letter to Stevens County certified mail.

I was advised by US Conner that he had received a call from Stevens County and that they were denying our Public Records Request.

At approximately 1105 hours I received a call from US Conner. He told me to direct Dave Byrnes to get a copy of the report from Stevens County and bring it to the Sheriff's Office.

At approximately 1440 hours I paged Dave Byrnes as I was not able to reach him by phone. I advised him of the directive. He told me he would try to get the report on Monday. I asked him to let me know if there were any problems.

On 10/21/08 at approximately 1035 hours I spoke to Dave Byrnes by phone. He told me he called Stevens County and was told by their records division that they would not give him a copy of the report unless he was representing himself. The told him that he would be required to tell a judge in court that he was representing himself before they would provide him with a copy.

Dave Byrnes told me that he spoke to an attorney yesterday and was meeting with him today at 1500 hours. He told me that Stevens County was supposed to fax a copy of the report to his attorney and that he would obtain a copy for the Sheriff's Office. He hoped to have the report here this afternoon.

On 10/22/08 at approximately 0730 hours US Conner brought me his response from Stevens County in regard to our Public Disclosure Request. They denied our request stating that the report was non-conviction data and was exempt under RCW 10.97.080. US Conner asked that I check with our records division regarding the exemption.

At approximately 0840 hours I received a call from Dave Byrnes. He told me his attorney had requested that Stevens County fax him a copy of the report. Dave told me that as soon as his attorney has the report he will bring us a copy. I asked if his attorney had verbalized any problem with supplying him a copy of the report and he told me no.

At approximately 0900 hours I called at Records. She told me that Stevens County's legal adviser was considering a report to be non-conviction data and that he was not correct. She advised me that a report is simply facts gathered by an officer and not open to challenge under RCW 10.97.080. The RCW is referring to conviction histories and rap sheets. She said it would apply to a Triple I. She also told me that when a case goes to a prosecutor there has been no determination as to guilt. She did say that a prosecutor has the ability to block the release of a report by filing an injunction if he feels it is appropriate.

On 10/23/08 I received a call from Dave Byrnes telling me he had received a copy of the report from his attorney and would send it to me. I received the copy of the report at approximately 1505 hours. It was a complete report with all citations and the BAC slip.

On 10/30/08 at approximately 1400 hours a Loudermill hearing was held in regard to this matter. The hearing was recorded with the consent of Dave Byrnes. The outcome of the hearing was that the Sheriff terminated the employment of Dave Byrnes as of 10/30/08. Dave Byrnes was instructed as to his right to make a liberty interest response. He was given until the close of business 11/06/08 to do so.

I collected the assigned property that Dave Byrnes was carrying with him. I collected his ID card, pager, telephone and credit card. He told me he did not have any keys.

On 11/04/08 Dave Byrnes called and left a message on my phone. He asked me to call him.

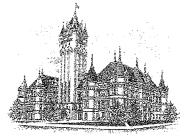
On 11/05/08 at approximately 0900 hours I called Dave Byrnes. He asked me to explain the Liberty Interest response again. I told him it was his chance to put anything in the file that he felt should be there in regard to the investigation that resulted in his termination. I told him this was to allow him to have his side of the incident in the file should a future potential employer choose to review it. I told him if he chose to write a response it would be put in the file without editing; all he had to do was bring it in. I told him a copy would go to Civil Service and a copy in the administrative file.

Dave also asked me about the appeal process. I told him he needed to file his appeal with Civil Service and that time constraints existed. I advised him to contact Civil Service ASAP to have them advise him on how to file the appeal and what his time constraint were.

Dave Byrnes did not file a Liberty Interest response on 11/06/08. I sent the letter of termination, Loudermill Letter and Loudermill response to Civil Service.



## Spokane County Sheriff's Office Ozzie D. Knezovich, Sheriff



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STEVENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RECORDS

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FAX NUMBER:

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FROM:

**GREG CONNER** 

FAX NUMBER:

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**REGARDING:** 

REPORT 08-07898

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**PUBLIC DISCLOSURE REQUEST** 



# Spokane County Sheriff's Office Ozzie D. Knezovich, Sheriff



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October 17, 2008

Stevens County Sheriff's Office Attn: Records Division 212 S Oak Street Colville WA 99114

As an individual citizen of the State of Washington and Pursuant to Washington Public Disclosure Act, RCW 42.56, and Cowles Pub. Co. v. SPD, City of Spokane 139 Wn.2d 472, 987 P.2d 620 (1999), I am requesting documents and/or records regarding the following:

 Stevens County Sheriff's (Washington State) incident report #08-07898 to include arrest report, copies of citations, field sobriety test results, BAC results and collision report.

The first request for this report was made in writing on 10/08/08 by fax to your records division. Your agency confirmed that the fax was received.

On 10/09/08 your agency was contacted to find out why the request had not been filled. On 10/13/08 your agency was contacted to check the status of the request.

On 10/16/08 your agency advised that you did not feel the request fell within the guidelines of RCW 10.97.050 (3). For that reason I am now putting your agency on notice that I am making a public disclosure request for the above information.

I will be following up on this fax by sending a copy of this letter through the United States Postal Service.

Sincerely,

Greg Conner 1100 W. Mallon

Spokane, WA. 99260

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RCW 10.97.050
Restricted, unrestricted information — Records.

- (1) Conviction records may be disseminated without restriction.
- (2) Any criminal history record information which pertains to an incident that occurred within the last twelve months for which a person is currently being processed by the criminal justice system, including the entire period of correctional supervision extending through final discharge from parole, when applicable, may be disseminated without restriction with the exception of a record being disseminated in response to a request for a conviction record under RCW 43.43.832. A request for a conviction record under RCW 43.43.832 shall not contain information for a person who, within the last twelve months, is currently being processed by the criminal justice system unless it pertains to information relating to a crime against a person as defined in RCW 9.94A.411.
- (3) Criminal history record information which includes nonconviction data may be disseminated by a criminal justice agency to another criminal justice agency for any purpose associated with the administration of criminal justice, or in connection with the employment of the subject of the record by a criminal justice or juvenile justice agency. A criminal justice agency may respond to any inquiry from another criminal justice agency without any obligation to ascertain the purpose for which the information is to be used by the agency making the inquiry.
- (4) Criminal history record information which includes nonconviction data may be disseminated by a criminal justice agency to implement a statute, ordinance, executive order, or a court rule, decision, or order which expressly refers to records of arrest, charges, or allegations of criminal conduct or other nonconviction data and authorizes or directs that it be available or accessible for a specific purpose.
- (5) Criminal history record information which includes nonconviction data may be disseminated to individuals and agencies pursuant to a contract with a criminal justice agency to provide services related to the administration of criminal justice. Such contract must specifically authorize access to criminal history record information, but need not specifically state that access to nonconviction data is included. The agreement must limit the use of the criminal history record information to stated purposes and insure the confidentiality and security of the information consistent with state law and any applicable federal statutes and regulations.
- (6) Criminal history record information which includes nonconviction data may be disseminated to individuals and agencies for the express purpose of research, evaluative, or statistical activities pursuant to an agreement with a criminal justice agency. Such agreement must authorize the access to nonconviction data, limit the use of that information which identifies specific individuals to research, evaluative, or statistical purposes, and contain provisions giving notice to the person or organization to which the records are disseminated that the use of information obtained therefrom and further dissemination of such information are subject to the provisions of this chapter and applicable federal statutes and regulations, which shall be cited with express reference to the penalties provided for a violation thereof.
- (7) Every criminal justice agency that maintains and disseminates criminal history record information must maintain information pertaining to every dissemination of criminal history record information except a dissemination to the effect that the agency has no record concerning an individual. Information pertaining to disseminations shall include:
  - (a) An indication of to whom (agency or person) criminal history record information was disseminated;
  - (b) The date on which the information was disseminated:
  - (c) The individual to whom the information relates; and
  - (d) A brief description of the information disseminated.

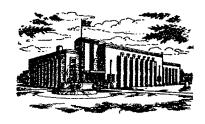
The information pertaining to dissemination required to be maintained shall be retained for a period of not less than one year.

(8) In addition to the other provisions in this section allowing dissemination of criminal history record information, RCW 4.24.550 governs dissemination of information concerning offenders who commit sex offenses as defined by RCW 9.94A.030. Criminal justice agencies, their employees, and officials shall be immune from civil liability for dissemination on criminal history record information concerning sex offenders as provided in RCW 4.24.550.

[2005 c 421 § 9; 1990 c 3 § 129; 1977 ex.s. c 314 § 5.]

#### Notes:

Index, part headings not law -- Severability -- Effective dates -- Application -- 1990 c 3: See RCW 18.155.900 through 18.155.902.



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October 17, 2008

Greg Conner 1100 W. Mallon Spokane, WA 99260

RE: Public Disclosure Request of Case Number 0807898

Enclosed is a copy of the public record(s) you requested. We have released the portions of the record which are not exempt from disclosure per RCW 42.56 and/or other statutes. Information redacted is exempt from public disclosure for the following reason(s):

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	2.	Disclosure of the information would endanger a person's life, physical safety, or property. (RCW 42.56.240)
	3.	Record includes information the non-disclosure of which I essential to effective law enforcement. (RCW 42.56.240)
	4.	Record contains information the nondisclosure of which is necessary for the protection of a person's right to privacy. (RCW 42.56.040, as defined by RCW 42.56.050)
	5.	Record contains information on a juvenile, which is confidential, and may not be released to the public except by court order under the provisions of RCW 13.50.050 and RCW 13.50.100
	6.	The investigative file is currently active with the prosecutor's office and/or a law enforcement agency and non-disclosure is essential to effective law enforcement. (RCW 42.56.240)
$\mathbf{A}$	7.	Non-conviction arrest information is exempt from disclosure (RCW 10.97.080)
	8.	The record contains Official Confidential information, protected under RCW 5.60.060(5).
	9.	Booking photos are protected under RCW 70.48.100.
	10.	The record contains medical information protected under RCW 70.02.005 and RCW 42.56.240.

11. The driver or vehicle's registration is protected under RCW 46.12.380

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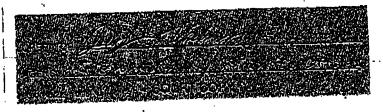


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(B) YOUR REFUSAL TO SUBMIT TO THIS TEST MAY BE USED IN A CRIMINAL TRIAL YOU ARE FURTHER ADVISED THAT IF YOU SUBMIT TO THIS BREATH TEST, AND THE TEST IS ADMINISTERED, YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE, PERMIT, OR PRIVILEGE TO DRIVE WILL BE SUSPENDED, REVOKED, OR DENIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING FOR AT LEAST NINETY DAYS IF YOU ARE: AGE TWENTY-ONE OR OVER AND THE TEST INDICATES THE ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION OF YOUR BREATH IS 0.05 OR MORE, OR YOU ARE IN VIOLATION OF ROW 45.51.502, DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE; OR ROW 45.51.502, DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE; UNDER AGE TWENTY-ONE AND THE TEST INDICATES THE ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION OF YOUR BREATH IS 0.02 OR MORE, OR YOU ARE IN VIOLATION OF RCW 48.61.502, DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE, OR RCW 48.81.504, PHYSICAL CONTROL OF A VEHICLE UNDER THE INFLUENCE. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ADDITIONAL TESTS ADMINISTERED BY ANY QUALIFIED PERSON OF YOUR OWN CHOOSING. FOR THOSE DRIVING A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF ARREST: IF YOU EITHER (A) REFUSE THIS TEST OR (B) SUBMIT TO THIS TEST AND THE TEST INDICATES AN ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION OF 0.04 OR MORE, YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING FROM DRIVING A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE. I HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THE ABOVE STATEMENT(S). I HAVE READ THE ABOVE STATEMENT TO THE SUBJECT man SSIGNATURE SUBJECT OFFICER'S SIGNATURE LOCATION DATE / TIME TYES | NO WILL YOU NOW SUBMIT TO A BREATH TEST? Did subject express any confusion regarding the YES XINO implied consent warnings? If yes, explain balow. . At the time of this test(s). I was certified to operate the BAC DATAMASTER, the BAC DATAMASTER CDM, and PBT and possessed a valid permit issued by the State Toxicologist ANY FOREIGN SUBSTANCES FOUND? EXPLAIN: 2" MOUTH CHECK? (If Necessary) DO YOU HAVE ANY FOREIGN MOUTH CHECKED? TIME? TYES TNO SUBSTANCE IN YOUR MOUTH? TIME? LILY REMOVED TES NO TAYES | NO YES NO YES 🔀 NO Jobserved the subject from the time of the mouth check through the completion of the breath test. The subject did not vomit, eat, drink, smoke, or place any foreign substance in hig/her mouth during the observation time. POTTIME PRY READING I performed the PBT test in accordance with the State Toxicologist's protocols. (Chapter 448-15 WAC) BOOKED RELEASED TO: 50/4

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STEVENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REPORT

CASE# 0807898

on 10/06/08 at approx. 1947 hrs. dispatch advised of a single vehicle slide-off accident on Shore Acres Rd. in Stevens County. The reporting party, stated that she helped a white male out of the truck and asked nim if he needed help. She said he refused aid and started walking south on Shore Acres Rd. Advised her husband was following the male to make sure he didn't get his since it was dark and he was stumbling in both lanes of travel.

I arrived on scene and noted a Gray Chevy pick up stuck on the embankment on the West side of the road facing South. It was evident the vehicle could not be driven from its location. I continued down Shore Acres Rd. and caught up with a white male walking south in the northbound lane. He was carrying a paper bag which appeared to have a bottle inside. I contacted the male and he advised his name was David Byrnes. He told me he was the driver of the truck. I asked him what happened, he told me he was driving home from Geronimo's in Springdale and missed a curve in the road. He said he was walking to his residence on

While I was talking with Byrnes I could smell alcohol coming from his breath as he spoke. Byrnes's eyes were watery and droopy. He had trouble maintaining his balance and had to support himself on my vehicle to keep from falling over. He swayed when he stood still and stumbled when he walked. I asked Byrnes how much he had to drink tonight. He told me he had a few drinks at his residence, then drove to Springdale. He had some food and another drink at Geronimo's. He told me he bought the bottle of Scotch he had at Geronimo's before he left. I detained Byrnes at this time and seized the bottle of Scotch as evidence. I noted the bottle was full and the seal was not broken. I placed Byrnes in the back of my vehicle and we returned to his vehicle.

I recontacted in and asked her what she saw. It told me she was driving south on Shore Acres Rd and found Byrnes attempting to drive his vehicle out of the ditch. She said the vehicle was stuck and she approached to see if she could offer assistance. She said Byrnes was driving the vehicle and was the only occupant. She asked Brynes if he needed help but he refused, stating he was just going to walk. Stated she could smell a strong odor of alcohol emanating from Byrnes. She told me she helped Byrnes out of the truck and onto the road. She said he stumbled twice and she had to help him up. She said he grabbed the bottle in the bag and started walking south. She said she returned to her residence and called 911. Her husband continued to follow Byrnes to make sure he didn't get hit.

At this time I told Byrnes that based on my observations and witness statements I believed he was operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol. I placed Byrnes under arrest and advised him of his Miranda Rights from my issued card. Byrnes told me he understood his rights and agreed to continue talking with me.

Nitebird Towing arrived on scene and took possession of the vehicle. I transported Byrnes to Deer Park to administer the DUI Breath Test. I again advised Byrnes of his Constitutional Rights and his right to refuse the breath test as part of the DUI packet. Byrnes waived his rights and agreed to a

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breath test. I completed the DUI packet and administered the Breath Test. I obtained two samples of his breath which measured and respectively. Approximately two hours had passed from the time I was advised or the call and the time Byrnes provided the breath samples. (See DUI Arrest Report for further information)

I issued Byrnes Criminal Citation #SCCR 06140 for Driving Under the Influence (RCW 46.61.502). Byrnes signed the Citation indicating he had received his copy and promised to show up to his manditory court appearance at 1:00 PM on 10/07/08. I punched Byrnes Drivers License and returned it to him, along with his copies of the paperwork. Byrnes was released and I provided him with a courtesy transport to his residence.

DISPOSITION: Forward to Prosecutor.

Date, Time, Reporting Officer: 10/07/08 0153 hrs. Deputy J. Wakeman 126 Stevens County Sheriff's Office

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct" 9A.72.085.

10/07/08 Loon Lake, Wa

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264 Stevens Co. Sheriff's Office 10/07/08 Page: Deputy Supplemental Report 06:37 Incident Reported: 10/06/08 0807898 Nature: TRAF ACCIDENT Incident Number: Date: 08:06:22 10/07/08 Name: STEVENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REPORT CASE # Details of Supplemental Narrative: \*\*\*\*\*NON DISCLOSURE\*\*\*\*\*\* called this morning to advise she would like a non disclosure reference this DUI as the suspect is her neighbor. Date, Time, Reporting Officer: Kristina M. Cannon October 7, 2008 0 0631 I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct" 9A.72.085. Signature Date and Place Responsible LEO:

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Approved by:



## STEVENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

### VOLUNTARY STATEMENT

#### NOT UNDER ARREST



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October 15, 2008

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The information in this report pertains to the driving record of:

Lic. Name: EVENES DAVID LEE SPOKANE WA 99223 Birthdate: Eyes: BLU Sex: M.

Hgt: 5 ft 09 in Wgt: 200 lbs License Issued: April 1, 2005

License Expires: March 30, 2010

After a diligent search, our official record indicates that the status on October 6, 2008, was:

Personal Driver License Status:

• Clear

Commercial Driver License Status:

The following also applied:

. No alcohol offenses on record

PDL Attachments:

CDL Attachments:

None

- None



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Custodian of Records Place: Olympia, Weshington Date: October 15, 2008

The Department of Licensing has a policy of providing equal access to its services. If you need special accommodation, please call (360) 902-3900 or TTY (360) 564-0116.

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CONFIDENTIAL - NOT FOR RELEASE MORE> True Name: BYRNES, DAVID LEE AKA's: --- Status ---Violation DV Jg CD W F O LEA Ty Crt Date Short Title S N Case NG 02/23/07 RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT

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### **Spokane County Sheriff's Office**

### Ozzie D. Knezovich, Sheriff



"In partnership with the community - Dedicated to your safety"

October 30, 2008

Mr. David L. Byrnes Spokane County Sheriff's Office W. 1100 Mallon Spokane, Washington 99260-0300

For the reasons documented in the attached Case Findings Notice Dated 10/30/2008, I am terminating your employment with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office effective 10/30/2008.

This disciplinary action will be entered into your administrative file. Therefore, it will become a part of your performance history with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office and could affect your future employment. Since a copy of this letter and all attachments will be forwarded to the Spokane County Civil Service Commission as required by law, I am extending for you an opportunity until the close of business, Thursday, November 6, 2008, to prepare and submit any written response you may wish to prepare to this letter and its attachments to fulfill any liberty interests you may have. A copy of your Loudermill responses and any additional written response you may choose to submit will then be attached to this letter and forwarded to the civil Service Commission as well as placed in your administrative file.

You have the right to appeal this discipline through regular Civil Service procedures contained in RCW 41.14.120.

Sincerely,

zzie D. Knezovich

SHERIFF

Date and time served: 10/30/08

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Received by:

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IA #08-0061 David L. Byrnes Letter of Termination

1100 W. Mallon Public Safety Building Spokane, Washington 99260-0300 (509) 477-4739 Fax: (509) 477-5641

## MEMORANDUM (Confidential)

TO:

Undersheriff Tower/ Captain Shane / Captain Brady/ Chief VanLeuven/ Lt. Fojtik/ Lt. Rose/ Lt. Finke/ Lt. Jones / Lt. Howerton/ Lt. Danner/ Lt. Smith/

Lt. Barbieri/ Lt. Miller/ Lt. Lyons/ Tom Mattern/ Debbie Grover

FROM:

**Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich** 

RE:

**Notice of Disciplinary Action** 

DATE:

October 30, 2008

On this date an internal administrative investigation was completed into the official conduct of Mr. Dave L. Byrnes. After reviewing all available and pertinent information, the following allegations of misconduct have been **SUSTAINED**:

- Criminal Conduct Charged/Arrested for DUI
- Violation of Alcohol policy
- Failure to Report for Duty

The following progressive discipline was imposed:

• Termination as of 10/30/08

Mr. Byrnes has the right to appeal this discipline.

Each Lieutenant is asked to read and/or inform their employees of the findings and conclusions of this internal investigation so that unnecessary and inappropriate rumors may be avoided. The contents of this notice shall be deemed as **confidential and for internal use only**, **and any release of the information contained herein shall only be made through the Sheriff**. The duplication or alteration of this notice and/or release of it's contents outside the department shall be considered improper conduct and/or breach of confidentiality and therefore potentially subject to disciplinary action.

Each Lieutenant/Division Commander is responsible for the return of this original notice to the Office of Professional Standards <u>no later than November 13, 2008.</u>

Thank you for your assistance and dissemination of this information.

#### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** 10/31/08

TO: Tom Mattern

FROM: Lt. Bill Rose

RE: Dave Byrnes

CC:

During the hearing on Thursday I tried to talk to Dave about his right to write a response to the disciplinary investigation that brought about his termination. This is called a Liberty Interest response and gives him the option of putting something in the file to explain his side of the event should a future potential employer choose to examine it. He does not have to write a response. It is simply his opportunity to do so. His termination letter states:

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I was not very confident that Dave understood what I was trying to tell him. Could you let him know that he will be granted access to his disciplinary file if he chooses to write a response. All of his files are available to him if he wants access. This will have to be done in the PSB as the files cannot be allowed off site without a protective order. Please extend to Dave the invitation to call me if he has any questions or needs assistance.

You might also make sure Dave is aware there are limits on the time he can bring an appeal to Civil Service if he plans to do so. Thanks

#### Rose, William

From:

Mattern, Tom

Sent:

Friday, October 31, 2008 7:39 AM

To: Subject:

Rose, William Re: Dave Byrnes

Bill, Dave did call me last night. I won't be in the office until Wednesday (11-4). I will have Bill Hansen check his inventory list and come over and pick up DEM items. I will bring any files on the forth. Tom

----Original Message----

From: "Rose, William" <WRose@spokanesheriff.org>

Subj: Dave Byrnes

Date: Fri Oct 31, 2008 7:27 am

Size: 755 bytes

To: "Mattern, Tom" < TMattern@spokanecounty.org>

Tom, as you probably now by now Dave was terminated on Thursday. I collected the following assigned items from Dave:

Cell Phone

Pager

Credit Card

1 Sheriff ID Card

Dave told me that you keep his inventory so I am not sure if that is everything that needs to be collected. He plans to call you Monday to arrange to clear his office. Please make certain you collect any other inventory that is outstanding. I also need you to come by the office and sign the case findings. When you do would you please bring any personnel files you have for Dave so they can be filed. Let me know if I can be of assistance. Thanks

Lt. Bill Rose Office of Professional Standards Spokane County Sheriff's Office 509-477-6930 wrose@spokanesheriff.org

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