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Suspect(s): Logan L. Clegg [REDACTED] 96

Crime: Homicide Investigation

Report No. 15-4398701

Victim: Corey A. Ward

[REDACTED]

Agency: SPD

We are declining to file this case in  Superior Court  District Court for the following reasons:

- A. Case is being returned for filing in Municipal or District Court. If necessary, please forward the case to the Municipal Court prosecutor or the District Court prosecutor.
- x B. Case is being declined because it does not meet the prosecution standards of RCW 9.94A.411.
- C. Case is being returned because further investigation is required to make a charging decision.
- D. Case has been used as part of a plea bargain: Rpt. No. \_\_\_\_\_
- E. **DO NOT DESTROY EVIDENCE – FILING ON CO-DEFENDANT(S).**

**FACTS:** The facts in totality are contained in the reports submitted for review. Briefly, on May 18, 2018 at around midnight Logan Clegg was walking to work at the McDonalds at Shadle Center. While on his way to work he was confronted by Corey Ward at the intersection of Nettleton and Cleveland in Spokane Washington. Clegg is a 5"9" and 145 lbs. Ward was 5"9" and over 200 lbs. When officers arrived they found Corey Ward bleeding from what appeared to be stab wounds. Ward told officers that he was assaulting someone else and that person stabbed him. It should be noted that Ward was in his apartment when Clegg was walking by and Ward started yelling at Clegg as he walked by. Independent witnesses heard the yelling and commotion outside. Corey Ward succumbed to his wounds at the scene. Officers noted a blood trail going north from the scene. There were no independent witnesses. Clegg was interviewed at Holy Family hospital where coworkers had taken for treatment. Clegg had a cut hand,

numerous facial lacerations consistent with being assaulted. Clegg spoke with officers stating that he had been attacked by a larger male who punched him numerous times and knocked him to the ground. Clegg indicated he pulled his knife and stabbed the larger male, Corey Ward, in self-defense.

**DISCUSSION:** The deceased, in this matter, acted in a manner that was likely to cause reasonable fear or apprehension of substantial bodily injury of Logan Clegg. The assault of Mr. Clegg appeared to be unprovoked as the decedent was in his apartment when he started yelling at Clegg. Clegg was in the street when Ward started assaulting him which is supported by the evidence. In response to the assault Clegg stabbed Ward numerous times. Clegg was smaller than Ward and according to witnesses told Ward to leave him alone. Clegg was in fear of his life from Ward and the unprovoked assault. Pursuant to RCW 9A.16.020, WPIC 16.02; State v. Allery, 101 Wn. 2d 591 (1984) this matter is be declined as it does not meet prosecution standards. RCW 9.94A.411.

Date: 12/17/2018



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