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## INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF CHARLEENA LYLES # 517IQ9301

### ORDER ESTABLISHING WITNESS LIST

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Family of the decedent:	Family of Charleena Lyles, represented by Karen Koehler and Melanie Nguyen
Law enforcement officers:	Seattle Police Department Officers Steven McNew and Jason Anderson represented by Karen Cobb and Ted Buck
Employing government department:	Seattle Police Department, represented by Ghazal Sharifi and Rebecca Widen
Administrator:	Michael Spearman assisted by Inquest Program Attorney, Claire Thornton

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Administrator Spearman has reviewed all input from the parties regarding his proposed witness list and the additional witnesses requested by the Family and will be subpoenaing the following witnesses to testify at the Inquest Hearing:

1. Jorge Cadena Chavez
  2. Lhorna Murray
  3. Mary Ruffin
  4. SPD Officer Jason Anderson
  5. SPD Officer Steven McNew
  6. SPD Officer Kieran Barton
  7. SPD Officer Gabriel Ladd
  8. SPD Officer Oliver Murphy
  9. SPD Lt. Dan Nelson
  10. SPD Officer Erick Schickler
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11. SPD Officer Trent Schroeder
12. SPD Detective Jason Dewey
13. SPD Sgt. Mark Grinstead
14. SPD Captain George Davisson
15. SPD Lt. Nate Upton
16. SPD Officer Leroy Outlaw
17. Jason Abrahamson – (former) Seattle Fire Department
18. Steven Carruth - Seattle Fire Department
19. Richard Harrison - Seattle Fire Department
20. KCME Brian Mazrim, MD

Administrator Spearman has reviewed all input from the parties regarding the additional witnesses requested by the Family and has determined that the following witnesses will not be subpoenaed to testify at the Inquest Hearing:

1. Former Chief Carmen Best (cumulative)
2. Detective Kimberly Biggs (cumulative)
3. Retired Officer Kerry Zeiger (cumulative)
4. Bellen Drake (outside the factual scope of the inquest)

Having heard nothing further from the Family regarding the following previously requested witnesses, Administrator Spearman adheres to his original position that the following witnesses will not be subpoenaed to testify at the Inquest Hearing:

1. SPD Sergeant Michael Shin (cumulative)
2. SPD Assistant Chief Tarrant (cumulative)
3. SPD Officer Nathan Bauer (outside the factual scope of the inquest)
4. SPD Officer Brandon Legg (outside the factual scope of the inquest)
5. SPD Officer Davidson Lim (outside the factual scope of the inquest)
6. Dee Hillis (outside the factual scope of the inquest)
7. Gordon McHenry, Jr. (outside the factual scope of the inquest)

Administrator Spearman will provide a list of potential witnesses to the jury during the Inquest Hearing so that they may exercise their right to request that certain testimony be heard, if allowed by the Administrator. If the parties have witnesses they wish to request to be added to this list, the parties shall submit them by June 3, 2022. Administrator Spearman plans to include the following witnesses requested by the Family on that ongoing list:

1. SPD Officer Derek Norton
2. SPD Lt. Cory Simmons
3. SPD Sergeant David Sylvester

## **Other Matters:**

1. **Witness Interviews:** Because it is important to the Family to proceed with this Inquest without further delay, the Family has agreed to waive interviews for the subject-matter witnesses for the following topics: Taser Training and Policy, General Training and Policy, Crisis Intervention Team Training and Policy, Crime Scene Investigation and Force Investigation Team. The Administrator (through the Inquest Program Attorney) reserves the right to interview any of the witnesses and will provide prior notice to the parties if he intends to do so.
2. **Use of Depositions:**
  - a. The Family has agreed to waive designating prior depositions as substantive evidence and will only request to use them for impeachment purposes.
  - b. The parties have agreed that witnesses Davisson, Grinstead and Outlaw, will review applicable depositions previously taken in a civil matter regarding the subject matter of their respective testimony and will provide a statement indicating that they have reviewed the depositions and identify any statements and opinions expressed in those depositions that they do not agree with.

DATED: May 27, 2022



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Inquest Administrator Michael Spearman