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Louisville Metro Police Department

Use Of Force Report

Incident Details

Date Received	Date of Occurrence	Time of Occurrence
03/01/2019	03/01/2019	21:36
Record ID Number	Incident Control #	IA No
43644	80-19-015362	80-19-015362
Date/Time Entered	Entered By	
03/01/2019 22 57	Police Sergeant Donald Hillerich 7948	
BlueTeam NexGen Assigned Investigator	IAPro Assigned Investigator	
[Pending assignment]	Un-assigned	

Incident Summary

On 3/1/19 at approximately 2136 hrs, officers were investigating a suspicious vehicle parked in middle of the road, with no headlights, blocking the alley, in the rear of 3416 Hale Ave. Pursuant to the investigation, officers attempted to get the operator of the vehicle's information. Officers had operator sit in the driver's seat of the vehicle to await further instruction. Operator then began going through a diaper bag in the front seat of the car. Officers instructed subject to not go through bags while in the car. Subject did not comply with officers demands to stop and suspect became very erratic. Officer's, fearing for their safety, not knowing what, if any possible weapons could be stored inside the car, decided to remove suspect from the vehicle and attempt to detain her. Suspect continually resisted officers attempts to place her in custody, at which point suspect began flailing her arms about and refusing to be handcuffed. To protect suspect and officers, Officers performed an empty hand, controlled take down on the suspect in order to gain control of her. During the takedown subject received abrasions to the right side of her face. Officer Straman applied pressure to the head/neck area of the subject while on the ground. I spoke with Officer Straman and the rest of the squad about the proper way to control a subject with a knee, to avoid placing a knee on a head or back of a subject for an extended amount of time. Proper placement would be on the back between the shoulder blades. Family of suspect stated that suspect has a history of schizophrenia, and had recently had a C section. Officers believing that suspect was potentially a danger to herself based on multiple factors, had her transported to UofL Hospital for an involuntary hospitalization. Suspect also charged with Obstructing a Highway, Resisting Arrest, and Obstructing Governmental Operations.

EMS Unit 274A transported the subject to University of Louisville Hospital for an involuntary hospitalization
EMS Run #E19019845

Incident Location

Addresses

3400 Hale AVE, Louisville, KY, 40211
2nd DIVISION

- Location of Occurrence: Division 2

Use of Force Details

Reason For Using Force	Service Being Rendered	More Than 1 Citizen Involved
Failure to Comply	Self Initiated	Yes
Weather Condition	Light Condition	Distance to Citizen
Clear	Night Time	Zero Hands On
Citizen Injured	Citizen Taken to Hospital	Citizen Arrested
Yes	Yes	Yes
Citizen Build	Citizen Height	Citizen Influence Assessment
Medium	5'4" to 5'6"	Emotionally Disturbed
Officer(s) Injured	Officer(s) Taken to Hospital	
No	No	

Reporting/Involved Citizen

[REDACTED]

Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Race: Black Ethnicity: Unknown Gender: Female

Addresses

[REDACTED] New Albany, IN, 47150

Phone Numbers

[REDACTED]

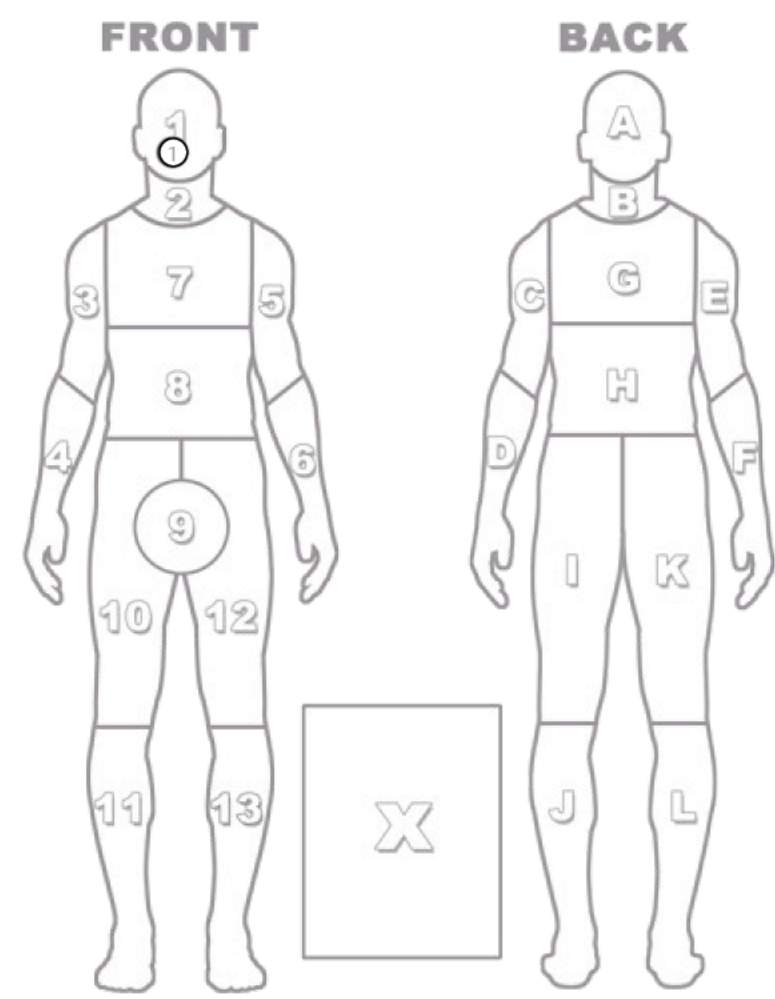
Role: [None Entered]

Type of Resistance Citizen Used Against Officer

- Passive Resistance
- Verbal Non-Compliance
- Active Aggression

Injuries Sustained By Citizen

Injury	Pre-existing Injury	Region	Injury Location
Face	Unk	1	1



Charges Against Citizen

- Other - Describe in Narrative
- Resisting Arrest
- Obstructing Governmental Operations

Involved Officers

Police Officer Clayton Poff - 7489

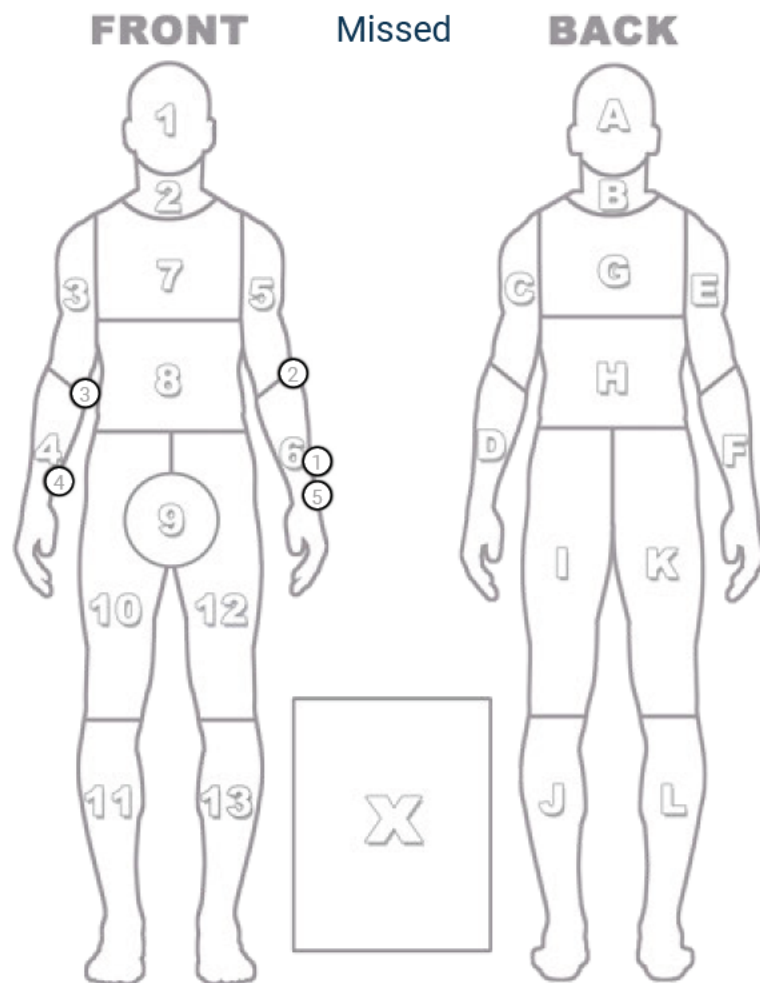
Assignment at time of incident: Police Officer Patrol Bureau/2nd Division/2nd Division/2nd Platoon [None Entered]
Role: [None Entered]

Force used by this Officer against Citizen

- Verbal Directions - Force Effective: No
- De-escalation Techniques - Force Effective: No
- Come-along - Force Effective: No
- Empty Hand Control - Force Effective: No
- Take Down - Force Effective: Yes

Less lethal force used by this Officer against Citizen

Force Used	Force Effective	Region	Point of Contact
Verbal Directions	No		[Non-Contact]
De-escalation Techniques	No		[Non-Contact]
Come-along	No	6	1
Empty Hand Control	No	5, 3	2, 3
Take Down	Yes	4, 6	4, 5



Injuries Sustained By Officer

No injury

Police Officer Noah Straman - 5000

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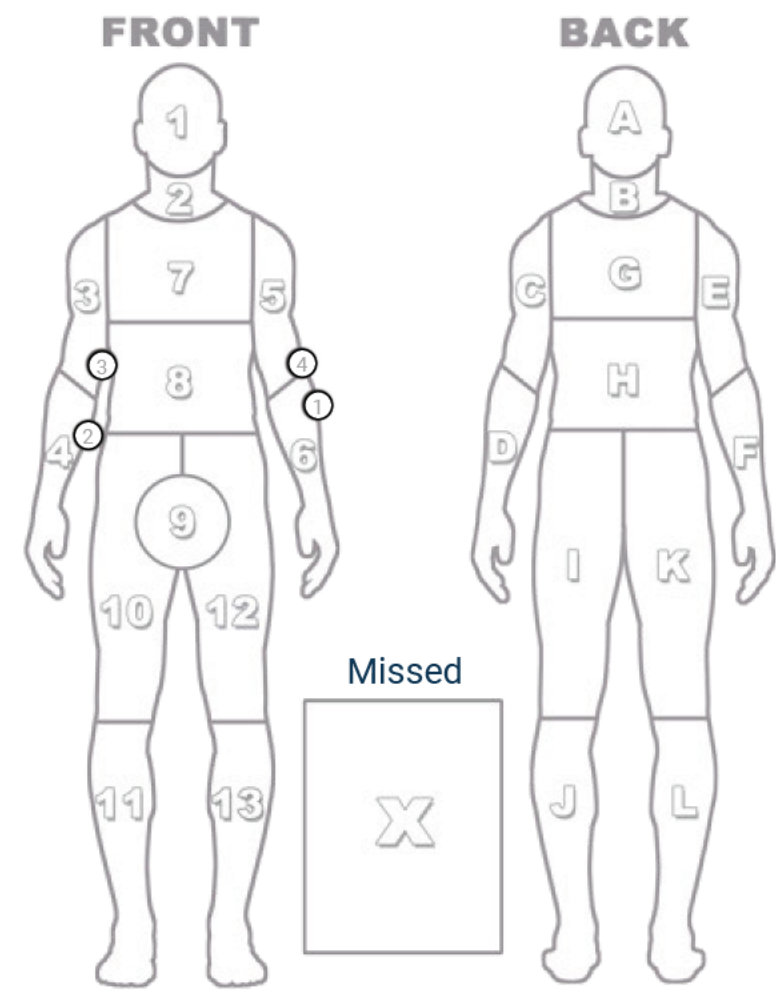
Role: [None Entered]

Force used by this Officer against Citizen

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- Take Down - Force Effective: Yes

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De escalation Techniques	No		[Non Contact]
Empty Hand Control	No	6, 4	1, 2
Take Down	Yes	3, 5	3, 4



Injuries Sustained By Officer
No injury

Tasks

No tasks to show

Running Sheet Entries

No running sheet entries to show

Attachments

Date Attached	Attachment Description	Attachment Types
03/06/2019	Ofc. Poff WVS	
03/04/2019	Tow Slip	pdf
03/04/2019	Citation for Fresh charges/ Citation for Involuntary / CIT Form	pdf
03/04/2019	Photos	pdf
03/06/2019	Ofc. Straman WVS	

Assignment History

Date/Time Sent	From	To	Activity
06/24/2019 11:41	Civilian J Volz		Field status changed in IAPro from To IA to Released
06/24/2019 11:41	Civilian J Volz		Released back to IAPro

Chain of Command History

Routing Number: 1

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Donald Hillerich

To Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams

Cc: Asst Police Chief-Lt Col Lavita Chavous

Routing was NOT handled in BlueTeam. The incident was forwarded into IAPro by IAPro user Civilian Jane Volz

Police Sergeant Mark Maroni

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Police Lieutenant Russ Miller

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Police Sergeant Travis Nichols

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Police Major Ryan Bates

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Deputy Police Chief Michael Sullivan

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Police Chief Steven Conrad

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Police Sergeant Donald Hillerich

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Police Sergeant Carmine Zoeller

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Asst Police Chief-Lt Col Robert Schroeder

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Police Sergeant John Bradley

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Police Sergeant Jeffery Haddock

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Police Lieutenant Kelly Higgs

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Police Sergeant Joel Lopez

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Police Sergeant Kevin Trees

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Asst Police Chief-Lt Col Shara Parks

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Unassigned Bill Smock

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Police Sergeant Christopher Watkins

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Police Sergeant David Silverblatt

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Police Lieutenant Terry Blake

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Police Sergeant Russell Braun

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Police Lieutenant Donald Burbrink

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Police Sergeant Jeremy Allen

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Attorney Dennis Sims

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Date/Time Sent 03/06/2019 23:42

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Donald Hillerich] To [Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams]

For your review.

Comments/Response From [Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams]

After reviewing the videos you will need to remove the part of narrative that states "Operator disregarded officers directions to not re-enter the vehicle after exiting". On Officer Poff's WVS at 20:00 mark he describes to Officer Ragan what occurred. Please be more specific, fearing for their safety? What did they fear? Discuss with these officers and your squad that when holding down a suspect with a knee it is preferred to place the knee on the back in between the shoulder blades. It is best to avoid the head / neck area.

Routing Number: 2

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Andrew Williams

To Police Sergeant Donald Hillerich

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 03/12/2019 10:46

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Andrew Williams] To [Police Sergeant Donald Hillerich]

See comments

Comments/Response From [Police Sergeant Donald Hillerich]

[Forwarded by Police Sergeant Donald Hillerich]

Routing Number: 3

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Donald Hillerich

To Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 03/20/2019 23:59

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Donald Hillerich] To [Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams]

Changes made. Please review.

Comments/Response From [Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams]

It appears in the videos that the officer place a knee on the suspects neck and head area to control her; he did not step on her head She received the injuries to the side of her face due to the rough surface of the roadway. The sergeant has had a discussion with the officer and squad members about the preferred method of placing the knee between the shoulder blades. No further action recommended.

Routing Number: 4

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Andrew Williams

To Police Major Ryan Bates

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 03/21/2019 05:48

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Andrew Williams] To [Police Major Ryan Bates]

For your review.

Comments/Response From [Police Major Ryan Bates]

This case is currently under review by PSU.

Routing Number: 5

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Ryan Bates

To Asst Police Chief-Lt Col Shara Parks

Cc: Police Lieutenant Arnold Rivera

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Date/Time Sent 04/18/2019 07:27

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Ryan Bates] To [Asst Police Chief-Lt Col Shara Parks]

This case is currently under review by PSU.

Comments/Response From [Asst Police Chief Lt Col Shara Parks]

Case is being reviewed by PSU(AFR)

Routing Number: 6

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Shara Parks

To Attorney Dennis Sims

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 04/18/2019 09:29

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Shara Parks] To [Attorney Dennis Sims]

incident is being reviewed by PSU(AFR).

Comments/Response From [Attorney Dennis Sims]

[Forwarded by Attorney William Sims]

Routing Number: 7

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Dennis Sims

To Professional Standards Unit (Final AIR)

Cc: Administrative Assistant Danielle Garner

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Date/Time Sent 04/18/2019 11:01

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Dennis Sims] To [Professional Standards Unit (Final AIR)]

PSU

Comments/Response From [Professional Standards Unit (Final AIR)]

[Forwarded by Police Sergeant Tiffany Tatum]

Routing Number: 8

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Tiffany Tatum

To Police Lieutenant Kelly Higgs

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 05/08/2019 13:37

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Tiffany Tatum] To [Police Lieutenant Kelly Higgs]

No further action recommended.

Comments/Response From [Police Lieutenant Kelly Higgs]

[Forward to IAPro by Police Lieutenant Kelly Higgs]

Assigned Investigator Signature Line

[Pending assignment]

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams - 7549

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Police Major Ryan Bates - 2418

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Police Sergeant Donald Hillerich - 7948

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Attorney Dennis Sims - 9655

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Police Sergeant Tiffany Tatum - 2014

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Police Lieutenant Kelly Higgs - 2478

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Police Lieutenant Andrew Williams - 7549

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Asst Police Chief-Lt Col Shara Parks - 2510