

# Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

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CASE INFO: ARNOLD, Eric D. (XREF 3462245)

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OFFENSE: OIS AGENCY CASE NO: SPD 17-257643

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#### SUMMARY OF FACTS:

### OIS/9-7-2017

#### SUSPECT: ARNOLD, ERIC (DOB: 2-9-1976) \*Active PC187 Ramey Warrant SPD17-252169

(V) SPD OFR Victor WOLFE #816	Shooting Officer/Injured
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(V) SPD SGT. Joshua DOBSON #3001	Shooting Officer/K9 "Case"
(V) SPD OFR R. "Tobias" WILLIAMS #68	7 Shooting Officer/Body Cam
(V) SPD SGT. Richard HITCHCOCK #3053	3 Shooting Officer
(V) SPD SGT. Adam VASSALLO #3047	Witness/Non-Shooting Officer

SUMMARY: On 9/1/2017 a double homicide occurred in the City of Sacramento and a warrant was issued for outstanding suspect Eric ARNOLD who had a registered vehicle of a black pickup truck. On 9/7/2017, due to Sacramento County Sheriff's Department (SSD) Deputy R. French's funeral services (killed in the line of duty), the Sacramento Police Department (SPD) was covering the County calls as well. On 9/7/2017, approximately 0538 hours, a "POD" hit for ARNOLD's black truck was identified near Madison Avenue and I-80, and dispatch broadcasted the hit. Later in the morning, dispatched broadcasted there was another POD hit near Watt Avenue and Hwy 50. SPD Officers in the area first located the targeted truck near Power Inn and Fruitridge. As multiple units responded and began to follow the targeted truck, units believed the sole occupant was the suspect of the double homicide, ARNOLD. Units, including a two-man CHP unit, followed the targeted truck to 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue where it stopped. Upon the suspect stopping, the Units engaged in a "felony-car stop" with verbal instructions to the driver. The suspect complied with turning the engine off and throwing the car's keys out the driver's window. When commands were given to put both hands out the driver's window, the suspect did not comply. The suspect exited the driver's door, charging at the officers and immediately opening gun-fire at the officers. Multiple officers returned fire at which time the suspect fell to the ground and officers stopped firing. Two SPD officers were struck/injured and the suspect was pronounced deceased at the scene.

**9-7-2017/APPROX 1231 HOURS**: SPD conducted their briefing right outside the scene where CI J. Williams and I were in attendance. We did not participate in a walk-thru of the scene because we were able to visually observe the scene from our advantage point. For the scene description, please refer to CI Williams' report.

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**APPROX 1400 HOURS**: CI Williams and I arrived at SPD Hall of Justice (HOJ) for interviews of the involved officers. The two injured SPD Officers was postponed to a later date due to their hospitalization/injuries.

CI Williams and I observed the interviews via a video-monitor. We observed the interviews separately as some were done simultaneously.

I observed SGT VASSALLO, SGT DOBSON and OFR WILLIAMS' interviews. CI Williams observed SGT HITCHCOCK's interview.

**9-13-2017/APPROX 1345 HOURS:** CI Williams and I arrived SPD HOJ for the interviews of the two remaining involved officers that had been shot during the incident. CI Williams and I observed OFR WOLFE and OFR MARTIN's interviews via a video-monitor.

### **INTERVIEW OF SPD SERGEANT VASSALLO #3047:**

9-7-2017/APPROX 1446 HOURS: SPD Det. Trimpy interviewed Sgt. VASSALLO who related the following in summary.

I have been a sergeant since 2005 and am currently a day-shift sergeant in Sector 5. My hours are 0600 hours to 1600 hours. Today, I was wearing my marked uniform and driving a marked patrol vehicle.

I conducted briefing this morning and remember going over the BOLO of the wanted suspect in a double homicide that had occurred last Friday (9/1/17). I remember he was still outstanding, that he was associated with a black Chevy S-10 pick-up truck and there had been a POD hit at Madison Ave/I-80 around 5:38a.m.

Later that morning, I was driving in my patrol vehicle when I heard officers broadcast they had located the black Chevy S-10 truck and were following the truck. I started to respond and was northbound Hwy 99 from Florin Road. I was not driving Code 3.

I continued to hear updates of direction of travel. I exited westbound Fruitridge from Hwy 99. As I was exiting, I heard the suspect had gone northbound on Franklin Blvd. I remember hearing over the radio the suspect had turned "eastbound on 27<sup>th</sup>", then the suspect had stopped and then a broadcast that "they were committed."

I was on Franklin Blvd, but I had passed 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue. So, I had to make a "u-turn." I then turned eastbound onto 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue. I saw the suspect's truck stopped. I also saw 4 marked units parked plus a CHP unit in a fanned out formation on the street (27<sup>th</sup> Avenue) behind the suspect's truck. I broadcasted that I was on scene.

I parked behind the units, and as I was exiting I started hearing all the shooting start. I saw the suspect moving towards the officers while shooting. I saw the suspect fall to the ground and the shooting stopped. I had my weapon out, but did not fire. I perceived the suspect as a lethal threat.

When the shooting stopped, I heard Officer MARTIN say he had been hit. I re-holstered and rendered aid to MARTIN. I also broadcasted that the suspect was down, not moving, and an officer had been shot.

I was helping MARTIN who was getting up off the ground and he told me he was okay. I told the CHP Officer to take MARTIN out of the "hot zone."

I then saw Officer WOLFE had been shot in the leg. I got WOLFE and slung him over my shoulder to move him out of the hot zone. I got WOLFE out with the assistance of another officer.

As I was doing this, my next thought was to get the suspect in custody. After the suspect had fallen to the ground, I did not see him move again. Other officers and I made a tactical plan to approach the suspect.

We decided we needed a shield to safely approach the suspect. I went and grabbed a shield from another Sergeant's vehicle. After returning, we approached the suspect who was still not moving.

The suspect was lying in a northeast direction on his back. His right arm was stretched out and I could see a gun on the ground right next to his right hand. As we got closer, Sgt. DOBSON kicked the gun away from the suspect's hand.

It was obvious that the suspect was deceased. I noticed what looked like brain matter on the ground near the suspect's head and he had not moved since the shooting. I don't remember if we hand cuffed the suspect or not.

I don't remember seeing any civilian witnesses on the street at the time of the incident.

I then went into "scene management" mode.

END OF STATEMENT.

During the interview, Det. Trimpy showed VASSALLO an aerial map of 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Franklin Blvd. VASSALLO marked on the map where he had parked his vehicle, the 5 other units and the suspect's car.

In the beginning of the interview, a round count was conducted of VASSALLO's duty issued handgun and all corresponding magazines. VASSALLO's handgun had one round in the chamber with 12 rounds in the 12-round capacity magazine. VASSALLO's 2 extra magazines each had a total of 12 rounds in each. VASSALLO's handgun along with the extra magazines were returned to VASSALLO after the count.

CI D.HALL #57

#### **INTERVIEW OF SPD SERGEANT DOBSON #3001:**

9-7-2017/APPROX 1630 HOURS: SPD Det. Griggs interviewed Sgt. DOBSON, with assigned counsel **The present**, who related the following in summary.

I have been working for SPD for the past 19 years. In 2012 I was promoted to Sergeant and in 2013 I became the K9 Sergeant. My regular shift is Tuesday through Friday from 0800 hours to 1800 hours. Today, I was wearing my marked uniform and driving a marked patrol vehicle. My K9 partner, Case, was also with me.

Today, we were covering the County because of fallen SSD Deputy French's funeral.

I had had background information regarding a wanted subject for a double homicide and the suspect's vehicle description. I also had information that the suspect was considered "armed and dangerous" and that a handgun may be involved. I knew the subject was a Black Male Adult.

I was eastbound Hwy 50 approaching Howe Avenue, when I heard units broadcast that they had located the suspect's black pick-up truck.

Typically, a K9 is a tactical tool to help effect a felony car stop safely for all involved parties. I knew this was possibly an armed homicide suspect's vehicle and that we would make a felony car stop. Therefore, upon hearing the broadcast, I exited eastbound Hwy 50, and started westbound Hwy 50, Code 3 response.

En route, I monitored the updated broadcast of the direction of travel of the units and suspect's vehicle. I also voiced my location over the radio.

I was southbound Hwy 99 and exited westbound Fruitridge. I intercepted the units as they were turning right/northbound Franklin Blvd. I advised dispatch that I was with the units.

The suspect made a right eastbound turn onto 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue and then stopped. I heard over the radio the driver was the sole occupant and was a black male adult.

As we stopped, I took a position to the far left. I was kneeling on the ground next to my driver's door. Sergeant HITCHCOCK had come up to my driver's door and was my cover. There were no units to my left. I remember there was a unit to the immediate right of my vehicle.

The suspect's vehicle was near the south curb line. 27th Avenue is a narrow and tight street.

I saw that the driver's window was down. I yelled at the suspect/driver an admonishment regarding my K9. I then told one of the officers to my right to take over the verbal commands, as I had to concentrate on my K9 partner and the suspect.

I heard Officer WOLFE to my right start to make verbal commands. WOLFE instructed the suspect to throw the keys out the window which the suspect complied. I heard WOLFE then verbally command the suspect to show his hands. However, the suspect did not comply.

The suspect then exited his truck. I saw he had a handgun in his right hand. The suspect immediately began shooting. I immediately felt threatened. I was afraid that he was going to

kill me, kill the other officers, kill my partner, and possibly other citizens. It was a very scary situation.

I held my K9 partner and fired at the suspect. I kept shooting until I saw the suspect go down.

I heard officers to my right yell, "I'm hit! I'm hit!"

I kept my sight on the suspect and did not see him move. I then looked over and saw that WOLFE had been shot. WOLFE was taken out of the zone and replaced by another officer. I told him that the suspect had not moved since going down. At this point, I did not know that Officer MARTIN had been shot.

We verbally and quickly physically checked everybody to make sure no other officers had been injured. We then made a tactical plan to approach the suspect. I could see a handgun on the ground to the right of the suspect's hand. Even though the suspect had not moved, we had to use caution in approaching him.

Sergeant VASSALLO came up with a body shield and a group of us tactically approached the suspect. As we got close to the suspect, I put my foot over the gun. I could see the suspect had sustained major injuries. It appeared he had gunshot wounds in his lower chin area with possible exit wounds out the back of his head. It seemed obvious the suspect was deceased. I think another officer may have checked for a pulse.

When I was giving my initial verbal commands, I believed the suspect could hear my commands. I know the suspect was saying something, but I could not hear what he actually said.

Yes, the suspect came out of the vehicle shooting immediately. After the suspect was shot, he fell flat on his back.

After the suspect went down and prior to my approach of the suspect, I conducted a tactical reload of my handgun. I would estimate no more than a few minutes from the time the shooting stopped to the time we approached the suspect. The urgency to approach the suspect was to save his life.

I was wearing a body-camera, but it was not activated for part of the incident. I had to manually turn it on and did not do so until after the shooting.

## END OF STATEMENT.

In the beginning of the interview, a round count was conducted of DOBSON's duty issued handgun and all corresponding magazines. DOBSON indicated he had a fully loaded weapon prior to the shooting (12-rounds in the magazine plus 1 round in the chamber). DOBSON's handgun had one round in the chamber with 12 rounds in the 12-round capacity magazine. Because DOBSON had tactically reloaded during the incident, his extra magazine contained 2 rounds in it and the other had 12 rounds. DOBSON's handgun along with the extra magazines were collected and marked as evidence.

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# INTERVIEW OF SPD OFFICER ROBERT "TOBIAS" WILLIAMS #687:

9-7-2017/APPROX 1745 HOURS: SPD Det. Curtis interviewed Ofr WILLIAMS, with assigned counsel **and present**, who related the following in summary.

I have been working for SPD for 14 years and am assigned to patrol. I have prior military experience. Today, I was wearing a marked uniform and riding in a marked patrol vehicle. My partner, Officer WOLFE, was driving.

During roll call (briefing) today, I remember hearing the bulletin about the outstanding double homicide suspect and the description of his vehicle. I don't remember if the suspect was armed. I remember a general description of what the suspect looked like; Black Male Adult.

Later, while my partner and I were southbound Power Inn Road, we heard dispatch broadcast a POD hit of the suspect's vehicle near Watt Avenue and Hwy 50. We were just south of Fruitridge, when my partner said he thought he saw the suspect's vehicle. We made an "u-turn" and then I saw the truck matching the description of the suspect's truck.

We were able to get behind the truck (westbound Fruitridge), and confirmed the license plate. I broadcasted this information. Ofr WOLFE told me the driver was a Black Male Adult. While we were following the suspect/vehicle, I noticed the driver's side window was down and even saw the driver's arm come out the window.

As we approached Franklin Blvd, the truck made a right on eastbound 22<sup>nd</sup> (WILLIAMS later, after being shown an aerial map of the incident area, corrected the street to 27<sup>th</sup> Ave). The truck then came to a stop and we conducted a "felony car stop."

I exited the passenger side and drew my weapon giving cover on the truck. I heard Sgt. DOBSON giving commands. Then, heard commands to the driver to turn off his engine and drop the keys out the window. The suspect complied with these orders.

Then, when the suspect was ordered to show his hands, I saw that he wasn't complying. I could see him moving around. The suspect exited the vehicle with a gun firing at us.

I started shooting at the suspect because I feared for my safety, the other officer's safety. I stopped firing when I saw the suspect go down. I remember hearing Ofr WOLFE cursing and saying he had been "hit." Between the time the suspect exited the vehicle to the time he started shooting was milliseconds.

#### END OF STATEMENT.

In the beginning of the interview, a round count was conducted of WILLIAMS' duty issued handgun and all corresponding magazines. WILLIAMS indicated he had a fully loaded weapon prior to the shooting (12-rounds in the magazine plus 1 round in the chamber). WILLIAMS' handgun had one round in the chamber with 12 rounds in the 12-round capacity magazine. Because WILLIAMS had tactically reloaded during the incident, his extra magazine contained 4 rounds in it and the other two extra magazines had 12 rounds each. WILLIAMS' handgun along with the extra magazine were collected and marked as evidence.

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# INTERVIEW OF SPD OFFICER TIM MARTIN #222:

9-7-2017/APPROX 1630 HOURS: SPD Det. Griggs interviewed Officer MARTIN, with assigned counsel **Constant of Present**, who related the following in summary.

I have worked for SPD since 1990 and have had various training courses throughout my career.

Regarding this incident that occurred last Thrusday (9/13/2017), I was wearing a marked uniform and driving a marked patrol vehicle. I had prior knowledge of the suspect as I had seen a bulletin of the double homicide. I remember the suspect was a Black Male Adult driving a black pick-up truck and the gun used in the homicide was still outstanding.

As I was driving westbound 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue, I heard a broadcast of units locating a black pick-up truck. I recognized the description of the truck as matching the suspect's truck wanted in the homicide. I made a "u-turn" and started in the general direction of the broadcast.

I was responding "Code 3" to attempt to clear traffic. I was southbound Franklin to eastbound Fruitridge. I saw the suspect's truck and units following going westbound Fruitridge. I turned off my siren, but still had my lights on. I heard a request to turn my lights off and so I complied.

I made another "u-turn" to go westbound Fruitridge. I got in behind a CHP unit and joined following the suspect's truck.

I passed the CHP unit and got in front of him and we headed northbound Franklin. I remember I broadcasted that we were approaching 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The suspect turned right onto eastbound 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue. I was right behind Ofr WOLFE and WILLIAMS' patrol vehicle. I remember a K-9 Unit pulling up and letting him go in front of me.

I saw the truck just stop and WOLFE's lights come on, but heard no siren.

27<sup>th</sup> Avenue is very narrow and was not sure where to park. So, I just parked behind WOLFE's patrol vehicle.

As I exited my vehicle, I first started to head to WOLFE's passenger side until I realized WILLIAMS was there. I then went to WOLFE's side and remember touching his back letting him know I was there. I didn't go to the parked K-9's unit because I was not sure how the canine would react to me.

I was standing in WOLFE's open driver's door area. I then started giving verbal commands to the suspect. I told him to turn his engine off and throw the keys out the window. The suspect complied with my orders. When I instructed the suspect to show his hands, the driver door started to open.

As the suspect pushed his door open, he came out shooting.

I felt surprised, shocked and afraid. I knew he was shooting and thinking the suspect was going to kill me.

I don't remember consciously shooting but knowing I had to shoot. Simultaneously, I felt a sharp pain in my stomach. I remember feeling I was falling down and looking down seeing layers of my vest.

I remember I was on the ground and thinking I had to get back up to engage in the suspect. As I was on the ground, I could see the suspect on the ground.

As I was on the ground, someone came up behind me and said I needed to get out of there. I said I was "okay." I got up with the assistance of someone and we started walking back towards Franklin. Someone told me to holster my weapon, which I did.

As soon as I was farther back from the scene, I took my gun belt off and handed it to another officer. I rode in ambulance to the hospital and was later released.

My vest stopped the bullet, but I have a large bruise.

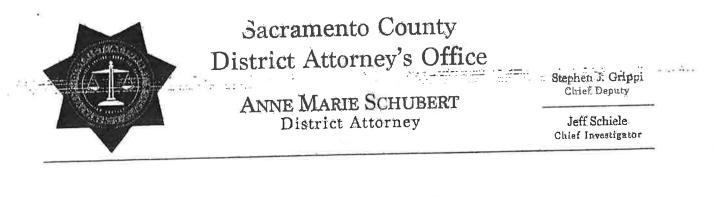
I did not know WOLFE had been shot until later.

I was not able to render medical aid to the suspect because I was injured and had been evacuated from the area. I believed the suspect understood my initial commands because the driver's window was down and he had complied with my commands in the beginning. I did not recognize the suspect from any previous contact. The incident occurred so fast that I did not know if the driver was the suspect from the homicide bulletin.

#### END OF STATEMENT.

In the beginning of the interview, Detective Griggs explained that a round count was previously conducted of MARTIN's duty issued handgun and all corresponding magazines. Detective Griggs explained there had been one round in the gun's chamber along with 8 rounds in the magazine. MARTIN added that he had a back-up weapon that he carries on his ankle which he did not access during the incident.

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CASE NAME: ARNOLD, Eric Dwan OFFENSE: OIS REQUESTED BY: Thinh **DATE: 9-7-17** 

AGENCY REPORT NO.: SPD 17-257643

**REPORT BY: Jeanne Williams #46** 

### SUMMARY OF FACTS:

1101 Hours 9-7-17 Sacramento County District Attorney Criminal Investigator Kurt Leatherman #12 contacted me by telephone to notify me of a Sacramento Police Department Officer Involved Shooting incident in which two officers and the suspect were hit.

I contacted on-call DA Lieutenant Dale Joe by telephone and began coordinating with him and CI Diane Hall #57 to respond to the scene, which was determined to be at 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. east of Franklin Blvd. in the city of Sacramento.

1205 Hours I met with DA Lieutenant Rich Allen and CI Hall at the Sacramento Police Department Joseph E Rooney Facility, 5303 Franklin Blvd, which was a few yards south of 27<sup>th</sup> Ave.

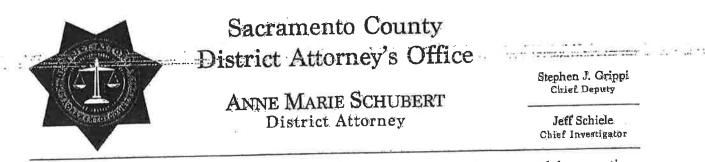
Once all assigned Sacramento Police Department personnel had assembled we were allowed to enter the perimeter. We proceeded down 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. and stopped at the rear of the involved Sacramento Police patrol vehicles.

1231 Hours SPD Lt. Wendy Brown conducted a briefing of the incident. (See CI Hall's Summary of events)

The scene was on 27<sup>th</sup> Ave., a narrow, paved residential street connecting with Franklin Blvd., eastbound. There was a freeway wall at the east end of 27<sup>th</sup> Ave., however it was not a dead-end street. There were several residences on 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. No citizen witnesses were in the area and Lt. Brown stated there had been no citizen witnesses found. SPD had located some private surveillance footage during a neighborhood canvas.

Involved officers had been removed from the scene prior to our arrival. Lt. Brown stated Officer Wolfe and Officer Martin had been evacuated and taken to UC Davis Med Center for treatment of gunshot injuries.

The vehicle belonging to Eric ARNOLD, a black Chevrolet S10 pick-up truck, was several feet in front of the SPD patrol vehicles, in the right hand lane facing eastbound. ARNOLD'S body was lying face up, on the ground a few feet from the driver's side door of his vehicle.



1300 Hours SPD Crime Scene Investigation officers began photographing the scene and documenting evidence collection. CI Hall and I did not participate in a walk-through of the scene because we could see the scene from our vantage point as the briefing was going on.

SPD Sgt. Jason Smart assigned interviewing SPD detectives to specific involved officers to conduct interviews.

1400 Hours CI Hall and I arrived the Hall of Justice at 5770 Freeport to monitor officer interviews. I observed Sgt. Hitchcock's interview.



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#### **SUMMARY OF FACTS:**

1545 Hours 9-7-17 I monitored the interview of SPD Sgt. Richard Hitchcock, #3053, at the SPD Hall of Justice, 5770 Freeport Blvd. in Sacramento. Detective Todd Culp conducted the interview. Sgt. Hitchcock completed the weapon check and round/ammo count prior to the interview. He stated he made one tactical reload while at the scene on 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. and left his first magazine on the ground. He stated he reloaded, but did not fire additional rounds after the reload.

During the round count it was determined he had fired 12 rounds from his .40 caliber P226 Sig Sauer.

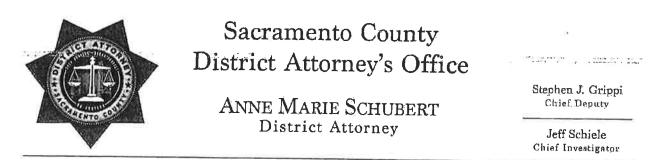
1614 Hours Sgt. Hitchcock resumed his interview, stating he has been employed by Sacramento Police Department for a total of 26 years, the last five of which have been as a Sergeant. He is currently assigned to Regional Transit.

Sgt. Hitchcock stated he was working a regular shift on 9-7-17 and was familiar with the homicide incident. He stated he knew the suspect in the homicide case (ARNOLD) was a black male adult, had some description of him, but no photo. He knew no historical information about ARNOLD and had no prior contact with him.

Sgt. Hitchcock stated he heard a broadcast regarding the "POD" hit on a 187 suspect vehicle, but due to a protest march downtown on the same channel, he did not hear all of what the officer(s) who later broadcast they were behind the suspect vehicle initially said. He stated when he heard they were traveling westbound, passing 62<sup>nd</sup> and the dispatcher told units to hold traffic, he was southbound Hwy 99 from the N Street onramp and continued to monitor locations. He heard a one-officer unit broadcast he had a CHP officer with him.

Sgt. Hitchcock stated when he got to the off ramp to Fruitridge, he paused and when the suspect and officers passed him, he got in behind them, traveling westbound, as third officer. When ARNOLD continued on Franklin and turned eastbound onto 27<sup>th</sup> Ave., he stopped on his own and the officers were committed.

Sgt. Hitchcock stated he postioned his patrol vehicle behind and to the left of Sgt. Dobson's. They were back and to the left of ARNOLD'S vehicle. Officers Wolfe and Martin were to his right.



Hitchcock stated he pointed his firearm at ARNOLD'S vehicle. He heard the primary unit officer giving ARNOLD commands. ARNOLD followed the commands to throw his keys out the window and show his hands, but then put his hands back inside his vehicle. He did not comply with continued commands and came out of his vehicle with a gun, shooting at "us" the officers.

Sgt. Hitchcock stated he was fearful for all their safety because ARNOLD was firing rounds at all the officers. He stated he immediately fired 12 rounds, aiming at ARNOLD with the intent of shooting him because he was shooting at the officers. He was aware the other officers were also shooting at him.

He stated he made a tactical reload but when he saw ARNOLD was not moving they (the officers) stopped and assessed the situation. He did not fire any more rounds.

Sgt. Hitchcock stated he kept his eyes on ARNOLD until officers had confirmed he was detained. He stated he and four or five officers used a shield to approach ARNOLD and when they reached him, Sgt. Hitchcock took his pulse for approximately 30 seconds, finding he had none.



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#### **SUMMARY OF FACTS:**

1441 Hours 9-13-17 I monitored the interview of SPD Officer Victor Wolfe, #816, at the SPD Hall of Justice, 5770 Freeport Blvd. in Sacramento. Detective Todd Culp conducted the interview. Attorney

Officer Wolfe had been released from the hospital after being treated for his injuries sustained during the exchange of gunfire with Eric ARNOLD on 9-7-17. The weapon check and round/ammo count had been completed prior to today's date.

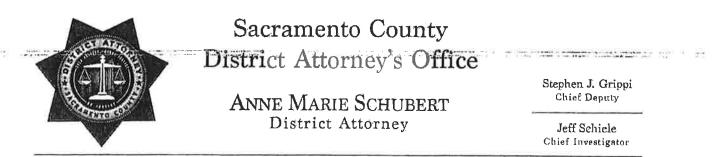
Officer Wolfe stated he fired approximately two or three rounds from his .40 caliber Sig Sauer. Detective Culp stated during the round count it was determined Officer Wolfe fired two (2) rounds.

Officer Wolfe stated he has been employed by Sacramento Police Department for a total of 12 years. He was currently assigned to Patrol, East and was riding with partner Officer Tobias Williams on 9-7-17.

Officer Wolfe stated he attended roll call briefing at the beginning of his shift and became aware there was an outstanding homicide suspect (ARNOLD) driving a black S-10 pick-up truck which had been detected at various locations in the Sacramento area by "POD" cameras. He learned the suspect was considered armed and violent. He had never met ARNOLD before and had no prior contact with him.

He stated the camera PODS were not working in a couple of his beat areas so he and Officer Williams stopped at an SPD building during their shift to get updates on any alerts for the suspect vehicle. Officer Williams exited the building and told him the suspect vehicle had been seen at southbound Watt Ave. from Fair Oaks Blvd., or Hwy 50 very recently and was possibly headed into the south Sacramento area.

Officer Wolfe stated he and Officer Williams drove to southbound Power Inn Road and saw what was possibly the suspect vehicle getting ready to go eastbound onto Fruitridge Road. He moved into a position by making a U-turn to go back northbound Power Inn, turning westbound on Fruitridge. He stated he could not get into a position directly behind the suspect vehicle, having three or four cars between them.



Officer Wolfe stated he followed the suspect vehicle and when they were close enough for Officer Williams to see the license plate, somewhere in the area of Fruitridge and 65<sup>th</sup>, he broadcast the information and confirmed it was the correct vehicle. Officer Wolfe could see the driver, later identified as Eric ARNOLD, looking in his rear view mirrors, but at that time he could not tell what he looked like.

Officer Tim Martin advised he was at Martin Luther King Blvd. and Fruitridge and Officer Wolfe stated he also saw a CHP unit. Those two patrol units moved into position behind Officer Wolfe's vehicle. As he continued to follow ARNOLD'S vehicle, K9 Officer Dobson advised he was moving into position to assist. ARNOLD'S vehicle moved northbound onto Franklin Blvd from Fruitridge, then turned eastbound onto 27<sup>th</sup>.

Officer Wolfe stated he was to the right side of the street on 27<sup>th</sup> and the K9 Officer Dobson was on his left when the vehicle stopped. It was a narrow street and they could not use four patrol vehicles to fan across the street. He stated Officer Martin came up behind him on his left and took a position behind his (Wolfe's) driver's side door. Officer Martin gave commands to ARNOLD to turn off the engine and throw out his keys. ARNOLD did that. Officer Wolfe stated ARNOLD seemed at first to be "going with the program".

When Officer Martin directed ARNOLD to "show me your hands", however, ARNOLD exited his vehicle with a gun and began walking towards the officers firing numeorus rounds. Officer Wolfe stated he felt a pain in his leg and knew he was hit. He stated he went down as he got further into his vehicle to take cover. He stated he heard Officer Williams broadcast on the radio an officer was hit.

Officer Wolfe stated he knew his In Car Camera and his Body Camera were both on/activated. He stated when he saw ARNOLD exit the vehicle and begin discharging his gun, he feared for his life. He stated there was no opportunity to attempt using a non-lethal weapon. He stated he was aiming at ARNOLD when he fired the rounds from his gun because he believed he was a threat to him and other officers.

Officer Wolfe stated he was aware there were multiple rounds being fired. He stated he was not able to give any care to ARNOLD after the shooting. He stated Sgt. Vassalo and other officers walked him down the street where he got into an ambulance and was transported to the hospital.