



# MEMORANDUM

SACRAMENTO COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY

**DATE:** 05/28/2024

**TO:** Supervising Deputy District Attorney Alan Van Stralen

**FROM:** Criminal Investigators Eugene Shim #21 and Steve Glen #31

**SUBJECT:** Officer Involved Shooting involving Sacramento Sheriff Office

**Involved Officers:**

**Deputy K. Becker #931 and Deputy B. Gil #602**

**Subject: THOMAS ALLEN KONVALIN**

**X-Ref: 2890049**

**DOB: 06/12/1985**

**NOTIFICATION:**

On 05/23/24, at approximately 0531 hours, Sacramento County District Attorney's Office Criminal Investigators Steve Glen and Eugene Shim responded to [REDACTED] Old Placerville Rd., Rancho Cordova, CA regarding an officer-involved shooting.

On 05/23/24, at approximately 0655 hours, we were briefed about the incident and the circumstances known at the time. The following information was obtained:

At approximately 0111 hours officers were dispatched to an assault in progress (245 PC) at [REDACTED] Hartselle Way, Sacramento, CA. Dispatch advised a woman was screaming she had been shot, and dispatch could hear shots in the background. Officers arrived on scene at approximately 0115 hours and heard shots while approaching the residence. Officers observed a female body lying on the ground at the front door of the residence with possible blood on her clothing who also appeared pale in color. Officers then observed a male adult wearing an orange shirt in the front doorway to the residence. He yelled to the officers to stay away and then went back into the residence. Officers positioned a patrol car near the front of the residence and utilized the patrol vehicle's spotlight to illuminate the front of the residence. Officers then began making PA announcements to the subject inside of the residence to come out the front door with his hands up. Sacramento Sheriff's Department Special Enforcement Detail (SED) members responded to the incident. Two SED members, Deputy Gil and Deputy

Becker, eventually positioned themselves on top of the roof of [REDACTED] Goinyour Way which was behind, or north, of [REDACTED] Hartselle Way. From this position Deputies Gil and Becker could see portions of the backyard of [REDACTED] Hartselle Way, including a rear slider and rear window. At approximately 0415 hours a subject exited the rear window of the residence holding what appeared to be a "long-gun." As the subject began to quickly move into the backyard still holding the long-gun, Deputy Becker fired (1) round from his rifle at the subject. Deputy Gil then observed the subject still holding the rifle approaching an RV parked in the back yard of the residence. Deputy Becker commanded the subject not to move. The subject turned and looked at both Deputy Becker and Gil. Deputy Gil fired (1) shot at the subject. The subject disappeared from their view at that point. The subject was next seen raising his head over the fence and Deputy Becker fired (1) shot at the subject who appeared to fall to the ground. SED members entered the back yard and prior to approaching the subject deployed a flashbang device near the subject. The subject had no reaction to the effects of the device. SED members approached the subject and handcuffed him. SED members located and secured a rifle and a black revolver on the ground by the subject. At approximately 0423 hours a Sac Metro Medic pronounced the subject deceased. SED members conducted a protective sweep of the residence and located an older male subject lying in the hallway with a gunshot wound to his face. At approximately 0424 hours a Sac Metro Medic pronounced the older male subject deceased. At approximately 0425 hours a Sac Metro Medic pronounced the older female adult lying on the front porch of the residence deceased.

#### **SCENE:**

Investigators were unable to conduct a walkthrough of the subject residence and backyard as CSI had not completed processing the scene. Investigators observed the rooftop and back yard of [REDACTED] Goinyour Way. Equipment bags and other non-firearm duty gear issued to Deputies Becker and Gil were still on the rooftop.

#### **INVOLVED WEAPONS:**

The subject was armed with what was only described as a long-gun when he exited a rear window of the residence in a crouching and "fighting" posture per Deputy Becker. Additionally, a black revolver was later located next to the subject when he was secured by SED members.

Deputy Gil was armed with a department-issued rifle and discharged (1) round. The weapon was identified and inventoried; refer to round count audio recording.

Additional Officers Involved ☒yes ☐no

Additional deputy information: Deputy Becker was armed with a department-issued rifle and discharged (2) rounds. The weapon was identified and inventoried; refer to round count audio recording.

#### **BODY-WORN CAMERAS (BWC) / SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS:**

Officer Gill ☒was ☐ was not wearing a BWC. The BWC ☒ was ☐ was not activated during the incident.

Officer Becker ☒was ☐ was not wearing a BWC. The BWC ☒ was ☐ was not activated during the incident.

*Due to Deputy Gil and Deputy Becker lying in the prone position on the roof top, and the placement of their BWC's, the BWC's were not oriented in a manner that could capture video of the incident. The BWC only captured their audio activity.*

DA Investigators Shim and Glen ☐ did ☒ did not review the BWC video of Deputies Gil and Becker.

Video was captured by law enforcement personnel utilizing Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) equipment. DA Investigators Shim and Glen reviewed the UAS (drone) video footage of the incident at the briefing.

**IN-CAR CAMERAS (ICC):**

Deputy Becker's vehicle N/A ☐ was ☒ was not equipped with an in-car camera (ICC) system.  
The ICC ☐ was ☐ was not activated during the incident.

Deputy Gil's vehicle N/A ☐ was ☒ was not equipped with an in-car camera (ICC) system.  
The ICC ☐ was ☐ was not activated during the incident.

DA Investigator(s) Glen and Shim ☐ did ☒ did not review the ICC video of Deputy Becker and Deputy Gil.  
Their vehicles were unmarked emergency vehicles that were not equipped with ICC equipment.

**STATEMENT OF DEPUTY BECKER:**

On 05/23/24, at approximately 1314 hours, Sacramento County DA Investigators Glen and Shim observed the interview of Deputy Becker at the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office located at 4400 Auburn Blvd. Sheriff's Detectives Ryan Thrall and Lindsey Lamb conducted this interview. Deputy Becker ☒ was ☐ was not present with counsel.

Deputy Becker stated that on 05/23/24, he received a call-out regarding a barricaded subject. Deputy Becker stated he was a member of the Sacramento County Sheriff's Special Enforcement Detail (SED). The suspect was identified as Thomas Konvalin, male white born in 1985. Deputy Becker arrived on scene and contacted Deputy Gil, who both eventually took a position together on the roof of [REDACTED] Goinyour Way after additional SED members arrived at the scene. Deputy Becker described their area of responsibility as the rear side of the residence located at [REDACTED] Hartselle Way. Deputy Becker received information the suspect's father was unaccounted for, and the body of the suspect's mother was lying in front of the residence with an apparent gunshot wound to her head. Deputy Becker received information that the suspect was not compliant with commands from law enforcement personnel. Deputy Becker stated he saw the suspect come out to the backyard through a rear window with what appeared to be a rifle. Once the suspect was in the back yard of [REDACTED] Hartselle Way, the suspect was moving quickly with the suspected weapon. Deputy Becker articulated his concerns for his safety, the safety of other deputies, and the safety of civilians near the scene who were sheltered in place and fired (1) shot from his department issued rifle, which appeared to strike the suspect's body. Deputy Becker stated he ordered the suspect not to move. Deputy Becker stated the suspect looked up toward them and he heard (1) shot coming from Deputy Gil's rifle. Deputy Becker stated the shots appeared to have no effect and the suspect crouched at the fence between [REDACTED] Hartselle Way and [REDACTED] Goinyour Way. Deputy Becker saw the suspect move his head up above the fence line. Deputy Becker fired (1) additional shot at the suspect and the suspect went down.

*This interview was audio recorded. Please refer to recording for further details.*

The interview account of the incident ☒ was ☐ was not consistent with what could be seen/heard on the video(s).

**STATEMENT OF DEPUTY GIL:**

On 05/23/24, at approximately 1434 hours, Sacramento County DA Investigators Glen and Shim observed the interview of Deputy Gil at the Sacramento County Sheriff Office located at 4400 Auburn Blvd. Sheriff's Detectives Ryan Thrall and Lindsey Lamb conducted this interview. Deputy Gil ☒ was ☐ was not present with counsel.

Deputy Gil stated that on 05/23/24, he received a call-out regarding a barricaded subject. Deputy Gil stated he was a member of the Sacramento County Sheriff's Special Enforcement Detail (SED). The suspect was identified as Thomas Konvalin, male white born in 1985. Deputy Gil arrived on scene and eventually took a position on the roof of [REDACTED] Goinyour Way with Deputy Becker after additional SED members arrived at the scene. Deputy Gil stated Deputy Becker was positioned to his left and they were briefed on the rules of engagement prior to taking up their positions. Deputy Gil stated he could hear PA announcements issued by deputies at the front of the residence from where they were positioned. Deputy Gil stated Deputy Becker saw the suspect coming out of a rear window of the residence. Deputy Gil heard Deputy Becker yell "Don't move!" after Deputy Becker fired (1) shot. Deputy Gil fired (1) shot after the suspect continued to move. Deputy Gil heard Deputy Becker fire another shot. Deputy Gil articulated that he felt this was their only opportunity stop the suspect from killing someone else.

*Further details regarding this incident can be obtained from the investigating agency.*

The interview account of the incident ☒ was ☐ was not consistent with what could be seen/heard on the video(s).