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Garden City Police Department
301 E 50th St.
Garden City, ID, 83714
Attn: Sgt. J. Dozier

CITF 23-001433

Dear Sgt. Dozier,

This office has reviewed the reports and videos of the critical incident regarding Macey Jaden Juker (“Juker”) on July 26, 2023. This office was tasked with making a prosecutorial charging decision. The decision was based on the review of pertinent facts as follows:

After 10:00 pm on July 26, Juker placed a 911 call to dispatch showing signs of mental illness and stating he had an assault rifle. Dispatch could hear shots being fired over the phone. Law enforcement and residents also heard the firearm in the neighborhood of the 600 block of N. 19th street in Boise, a populated residential area. Law enforcement officers arrived at this location to find Juker with an assault rifle. Juker initially put the weapon down and complied with law enforcement orders. He then retrieved the weapon and ran from officers, before turning to aim the weapon back at the officers. As Juker aimed the weapon at officers, the officers and Juker opened fire. After being hit, Juker went to the ground. He then raised the rifle and fired additional rounds at the officers. Officers returned fire and Juker was hit and succumbed to his wounds.

Idaho Codes 19-202A and 18-4011 both apply to this situation. Applying the above-referenced facts of this case to those statutes, all officers were justified in their actions. Idaho Law would not allow the criminal prosecution of any of these officers. It is this office’s opinion that no criminal charges should be filed.

Please contact this office if you have questions regarding this decision.

Sincerely,



Erick Thomson
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