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Parker Officers Cleared in Fatal Shooting

Officers' Body Worn Camera Videos to be Released

Upon completion of the 18th Judicial District's Critical Response Team's investigation into the November 4, 2017 officer involved fatal shooting of 35 year-old Michael Wayne Marin, District Attorney George Brauchler, has determined that the officers' use of deadly force was justified.

On November 4th, 2017, Parker Police Officers responded to a call of a suspicious person at the Creekside in Parker Condominiums located at, 10823 Twenty Mile Road. Upon arrival, officers spoke to the reporting party who gave a description of the suspect and pointed out his vehicle. A mobile gun safe was observed inside the suspect's vehicle by officers. When officers attempted to contact the suspect, later identified as Marin, he fled on foot through the parking lot. Assisting officers pursued him in patrol vehicles, at which time a flash can be seen as Marin is running – a flash that could have come from a gun. Officers quickly located Marin at the entrance to a breezeway, when Marin turned and pointed a gun at an officer exiting his marked patrol vehicle. The officer fired his department issued handgun at Marin. Marin continued through the breezeway and ignored officers' verbal commands to drop the gun. Marin again pointed a gun at an officer and was subsequently shot several times by responding officers. Officers attempted life saving measures while still on-scene; Marin later died from the injuries.

It is important to note facts that officers knew at the time of the incident, however, the following information was revealed during the course of the investigation following the shooting.

- Michael Wayne Marin had an active no-bond warrant out of El Paso County for dangerous drugs, weapons violations and eluding as well as outstanding warrants in Montrose and Grand Junction.
- Suspected of committing robberies in Clifton, Delta and Fruita.
- Approximately four hours before this incident, Marin committed attempted armed robbery at a Lakewood Rite Aid.
- Marin was driving a stolen vehicle.

In addition, Marin's toxicology levels as provided by Douglas County Coroner's Office Autopsy Report revealed methamphetamine levels at 5700 ng/mL, more than 11 times the level needed to test positive, 500 ng/mL. Marin also tested positive for amphetamine.

Body worn camera video and dash cam video from the officers involved in this incident will be released at the press conference tomorrow. The entire video, a log of the video, the police report and photos will be placed in a Drop Box for members of the media. Parker Police Chief David King and 18th Judicial District Attorney George Brauchler will be available at the press conference to answer questions about the officer involved shooting and the Critical Response Team's investigation.

Location: Parker Police Department, 18600 E. Lincoln Meadows Parkway

Date: Wednesday, March 28

Time: 1:00 p.m.

If you have any questions please contact Public Information Officer Sherry Corcoran at scorcoran@parkeronline.org or 720.692.4734.

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