

# OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY Closed Case Summary

## **Complaint Number OPA#2016-0052**

Issued Date: 10/18/2016

Named Employee #1	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 8.200 (1) Using Force: Use of Force: When Authorized (Policy that was issued September 1, 2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Lawful and Proper)
Final Discipline	N/A

### **INCIDENT SYNOPSIS**

The Named Employee was dispatched to an Assault in the area surrounding a public park.

## **COMPLAINT**

The complainant alleged the Named Employee used excessive force during an Officer Involved Shooting.

## **INVESTIGATION**

The OPA investigation included the following actions:

- 1. Review of the complaint
- 2. Review of In-Car Videos (ICV)
- 3. Search for and review of all relevant records and other evidence
- 4. Interviews of SPD employees

#### ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The complainant alleged that the Named Employee used excessive force by shooting a subject instead of using a Taser. The preponderance of the evidence from this investigation showed that the subject was an immediate deadly threat to the Named Employee at the time the Named Employee fired his handgun and struck the subject. The use of deadly force at that time was reasonable given the totality of the circumstances known to the Named Employee at the time.

#### **FINDINGS**

#### Named Employee #1

Allegation #1

The use of deadly force at that time was reasonable given the totality of the circumstances known to the Named Employee at the time. Therefore a finding of **Not Sustained** (Lawful and Proper) was issued for *Using Force: Use of Force: When Authorized.* 

NOTE: The Seattle Police Department Manual policies cited for the allegation(s) made for this OPA Investigation are policies that were in effect during the time of the incident. The issued date of the policy is listed.