



Legal Cases Opened August 2013

Critical Incident Cases Opened for TMPA Members

In August, TMPA opened 8 case files for critical incidents.

Critical incidents are those cases where an officer's actions resulted in the death or serious bodily injury of a person; or could have resulted in such harm, and the officer discharged his firearm.

These critical incidents occurred in various agencies throughout the state including Conroe Police Department, Stafford Police Department, Nacogdoches County Sheriff's Department, Livingston Police Department, Parker County Sheriff's Department, Bandera County Sheriff's Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Department, and Dallas County Constable, Precinct 3.

These incidents include:

1. While assisting in a crime prevention unit, member chased a suspect on foot and caught him. Suspect had member in a chokehold when the member shot him.
2. Members responded to a suicidal call. Suspect failed to obey commands to disarm and exit. The suspect ran to a pickup and rammed the patrol vehicle. Suspect pointed a shotgun at members and members fired on the suspect.
3. While working on a high risk arrest warrant, member made a traffic stop and the fight was on. Suspect was killed and member was uninjured.
4. When officer went to make a DWI blood draw, the suspect had hung himself.
5. Member observed a hit and run and followed suspect in an unmarked car into a parking lot. Suspect rammed member's vehicle and member as he exited vehicle. Member fired round into suspect's vehicle as it fled.
6. Suspect attempted to run over deputies and shots were fired.
7. While pursuing a stolen 4-wheeler, suspect rammed patrol car and took off running. Officer accidentally discharged two rounds when he fell. No injuries were sustained.
8. While making an eviction, the suspect being evicted shot himself.

TMPA provides legal services to our members using private practice attorneys. Without the dedication of many contract attorneys, TMPA would not be able to offer law enforcement officers the best legal protection plan in the State.