



Legal Cases Opened October 2013

Critical Incident Cases Opened for TMPA Members

In October, TMPA opened 12 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 Arlington Police Department, Austin Police Department, Denver City Police Department, Duncanville Police Department, Freeport Police Department, Jackson County Sheriff's Department, League City Police Department, Parker County Sheriff's Department, Round Rock Police Department, Stafford Police Department, Webster Police Department and Wise County Sheriff's Department.

These incidents include:

1. Member was involved in an on-duty shooting during a traffic stop.
2. Member responded to a man with a gun disturbance. Shots were exchanged and suspect was taken to the hospital with gunshots to the hand and arm. Our member was uninjured.
3. Member was involved in a pursuit and the suspect crashed.
4. Member was involved in a shooting wherein he sustained one shot to the shoulder and three shots to the thigh. Suspect was also shot and booked for attempted capital murder and aggravated assault.
5. Member responded to a shots fired, victim down call. The suspect raised his rifle and was shot. He was later charged with aggravated assault on a civilian and is still recovering. Our member was not harmed.
6. Officer responded to a shots fired call. Upon arrival, the officer and suspect exchanged gunfire.
7. Member responded to a disturbance call. When he arrived, the suspect was armed with a gun. Suspect pointed gun at member and member shot him. Suspect is deceased.
8. Member made a traffic stop and was shot in the face and vest. She then gave chase.
9. Officer pursued a felony suspect over state lines. Multiple attempts were made by multiple agencies to apprehend the suspect, who was killed trying to flee again.

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.