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Douglas County Sheriff Use Of Force Report

Incident Details

Date Received	Date of Occurrence	Time of Occurrence
01/01/2022	01/01/2022	18:30
Record ID Number	Case / Incident #	IA #
6947		22UOF-001
Date/Time Entered	Entered By	
01/01/2022 20:38	Sergeant Christopher Nordby	
Douglas County Sheriffs Office Assigned Investigator	IAPro Assigned Investigator	
Sergeant Christopher Nordby	Sergeant Mike Joachim	

Incident Summary

Summary:

IA# 22UOF-001

State of Colorado, County of Douglas
 Certified to be a full, true, and correct
 copy of the original in my custody
 Darren M. Weekly
 Sheriff of Douglas County
 Digitally signed by EAguilar
 EAguilar 1733
 Date: 2023.06.29 13:35:28
 -06'00'
 By _____
 14 Pages

Specific Allegation: Use of Restraint Chair/Forced Strip Search

Involved members: Corporal [REDACTED] Deputy [REDACTED] Deputy [REDACTED] Deputy Jackson, Deputy [REDACTED]

Justified: Yes

Synopsis: On 01/01/02022 at approximately 6:30 P.M. Douglas County brought in prisoner [REDACTED] and notified intake deputies that [REDACTED] was combative. SORT Corporal [REDACTED] SORT Deputy [REDACTED] SORT Deputy [REDACTED] Deputy Jackson, Deputy [REDACTED] and I responded to the Sally Port to assist. SORT Corporal [REDACTED] SORT Deputy [REDACTED] SORT Deputy [REDACTED] Deputy Jackson, Deputy [REDACTED] got [REDACTED] to exit the patrol car. During this process, [REDACTED] started to kick at Deputies even though [REDACTED] was RIPP restrained. It was decided at this time that [REDACTED] would be placed into the restraint chair since [REDACTED] was kicking at Deputies and not listening to commands. All attempts to de-escalate the situation had been exhausted at this time. [REDACTED] was placed into the restraint chair and escorted to booking and placed into holding cell [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was placed on suicide watch due to statements that [REDACTED] had made during transport. Corporal [REDACTED] Deputy Jackson and Deputy [REDACTED] performed a strip search in the holding cell. [REDACTED] was still in the restraint chair at this time since [REDACTED] was still being uncooperative and not listening to commands. Once the strip search was completed, Jail medical staff

checked on [REDACTED] to make sure the restraints were applied correctly and checked all [REDACTED] vitals to make sure [REDACTED] was ok. During this use of force, there were no control holds or pressure points used. The only force used was the placement of [REDACTED] into the restraint chair.

Incident Location

Addresses

4000 Justice Way, Castle Rock, CO, 80109

Detentions

- Location of Occurrence: Detentions

Use of Force Details

Reason For Using Force	Service Being Rendered	More Than 1 Citizen Involved
Restrain for Sub's safety	Jail Incident	No
Weather Condition	Light Condition	Distance to Citizen
Inside	Ambient Light	Hands On
Citizen Injured	Citizen Taken to Hospital	Citizen Arrested
No	No	Yes
Citizen Build	Citizen Height	Citizen Influence Assessment
100-149 lbs	5'4" to 5'6"	Under the Influence Alcohol or Drugs
Member(s) Injured	Member(s) Taken to Hospital	
No	No	

Reporting/Involved Citizen

[REDACTED]

Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Race: [REDACTED] Ethnicity: [REDACTED] Gender: [REDACTED]

Addresses

[REDACTED]

Phone Numbers

[REDACTED]

Role: [None Entered]

Correctional Data

Inmate at time of involvement		Inmate ID	
Yes		[REDACTED]	
Date Booked		Booking #	
[None Entered]		[REDACTED]	
Correctional Facility		Level 1	Level 2
[None Entered]		[None Entered]	[None Entered]
Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	
[None Entered]	[None Entered]	[None Entered]	
[Un-used]			
[None Entered]			

Type of Resistance Citizen Used Against Member

- Suicidal
- Failed to Comply
- Drugs or Alcohol
- Physical Resistance
- Verbal Non-Compliance

Injuries Sustained By Citizen

No injury

Involved Members

Deputy Carley Jackson

Assignment at time of incident: Deputy Administrative/Detentions/Swings B **Video Footage:** [None Entered]

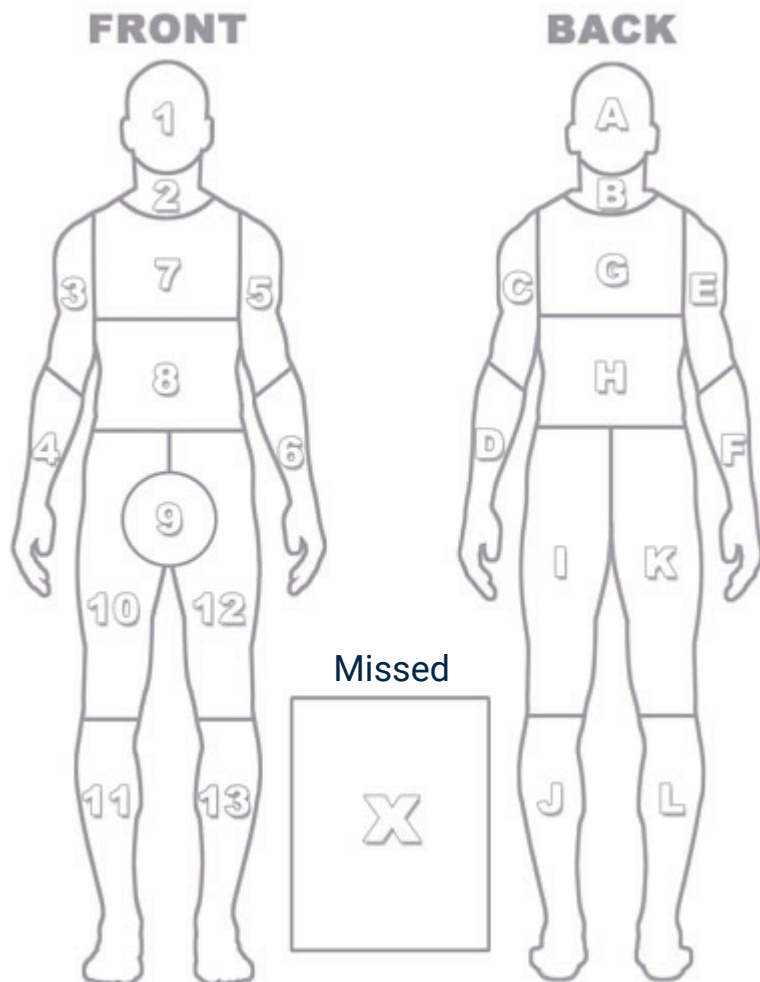
Role: First Responder

Force used by this Member against Citizen

- Restraint Chair - Force Effective: Yes

Less lethal force used by this Member against Citizen

Force Used	Force Effective	Region	Point of Contact
Restraint Chair	Yes		[Non-Contact]



Injuries Sustained By Member

Injury	Pre-existing Injury	Region	Injury Location
No injuries noted or visible	Unk		

Deputy [REDACTED]

Assignment at time of incident: Deputy Administrative/Detentions/Swings B **Video Footage:** [None Entered]

Role: First Responder

Force used by this Member against Citizen

No force used

Injuries Sustained By Member

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No injuries noted or visible	Unk		

Deputy [REDACTED]

Assignment at time of incident: Deputy Administrative/Detentions **Video Footage:** [None Entered]

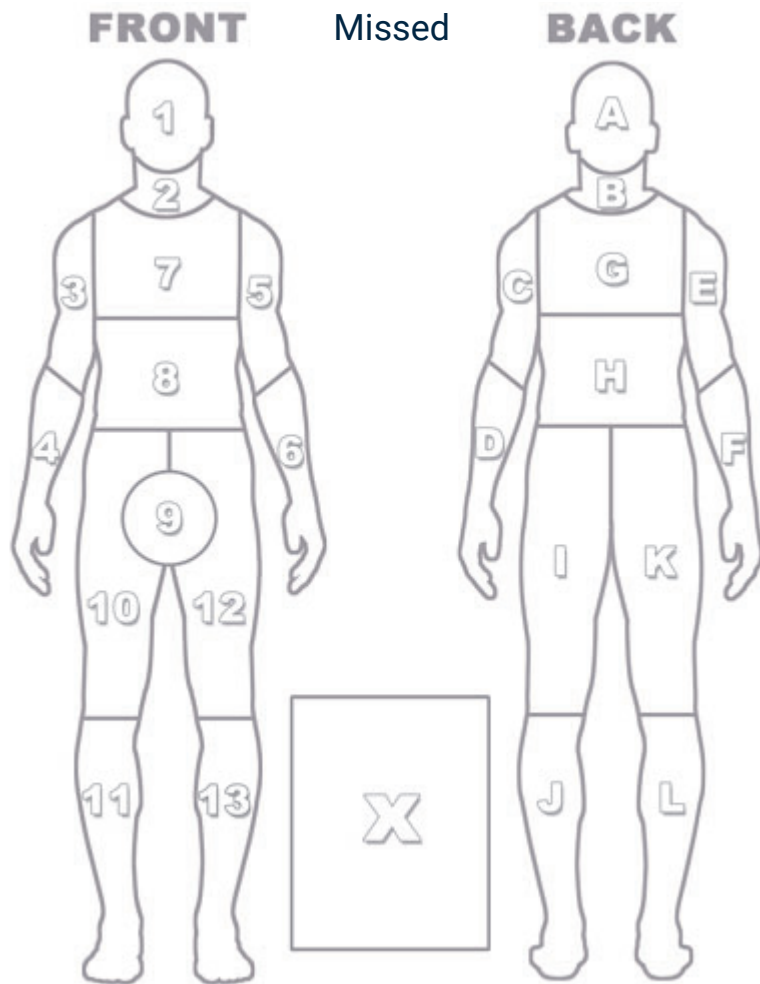
Role: First Responder

Force used by this Member against Citizen

- Restraint Chair - Force Effective: Yes

Less lethal force used by this Member against Citizen

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Restraint Chair	Yes		[Non-Contact]



Injuries Sustained By Member

Injury	Pre-existing Injury	Region	Injury Location
No injuries noted or visible	Unk		

Sergeant [REDACTED]

Assignment at time of incident: Corporal Administrative/Detentions/Days B/SORT TEAM **Video Footage:**

[None Entered]

Role: First Responder

Force used by this Member against Citizen

- Restraint Chair - Force Effective: Yes

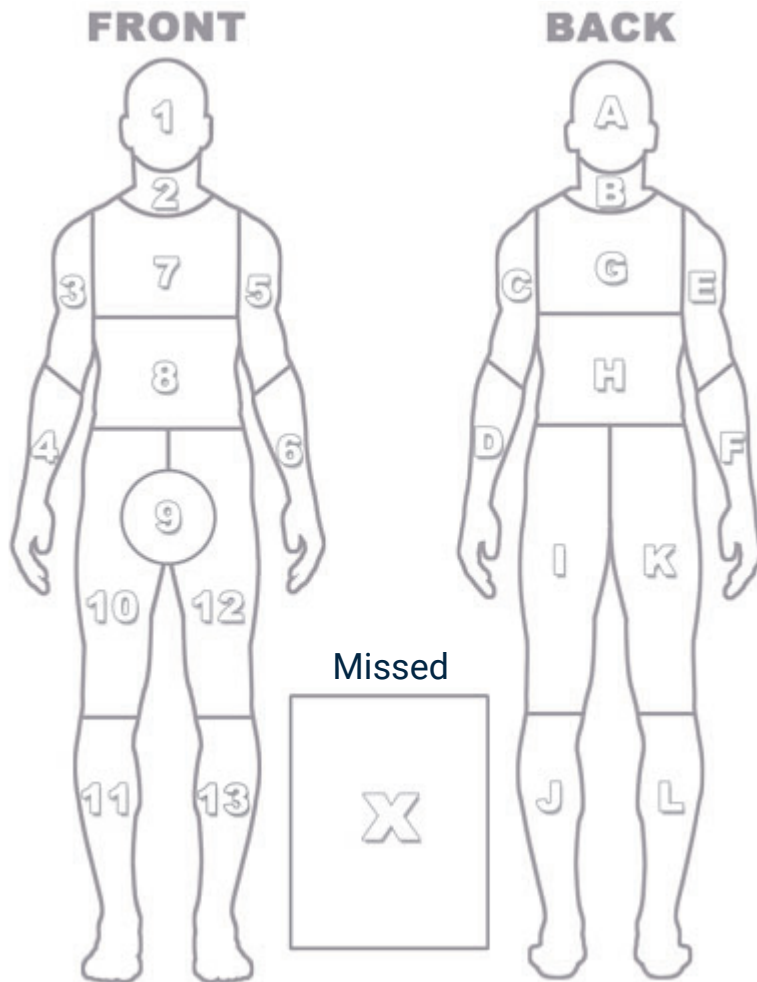
Less lethal force used by this Member against Citizen

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Restraint Chair

Yes

[Non-Contact]



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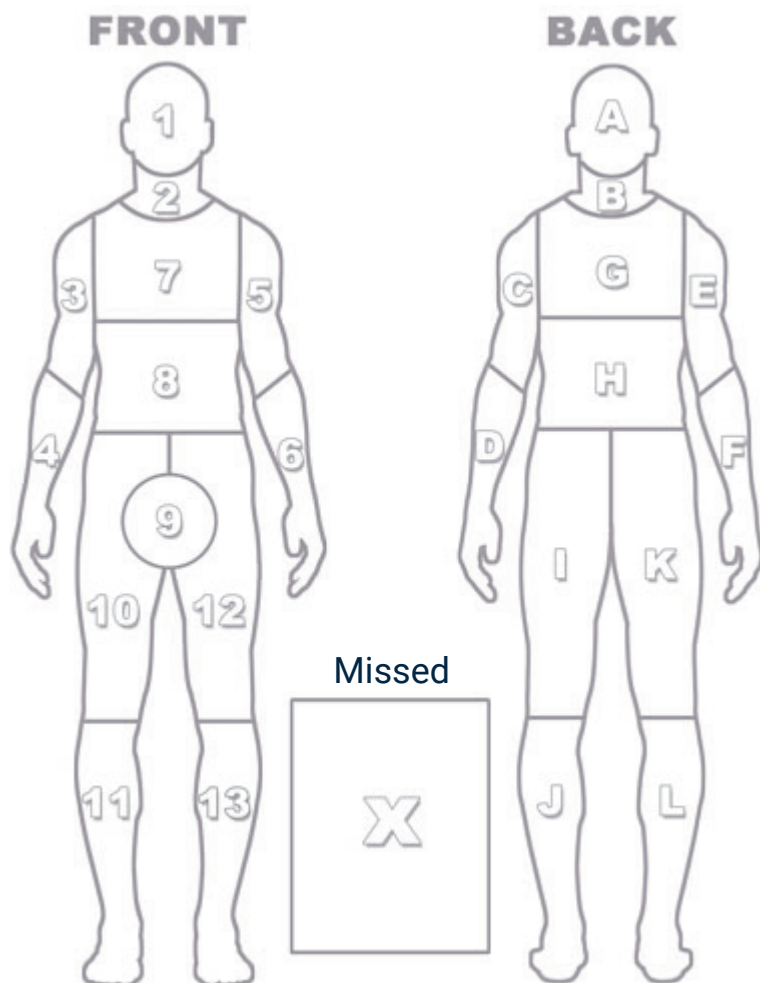
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Member Witnesses

Sergeant Christopher Nordby

Assignment at time of incident: Sergeant Administrative/Detentions/Swings B

Video Footage: [None Entered]

Role: Supervisor

Tasks

Task Description	Date Due	Date Completed	Summary
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Running Sheet Entries

No running sheet entries to show

Attachments

Date Attached	Attachment Description	Attachment Types
01/06/2022	Nordby Body Camera	
02/28/2022	Strip Search Use of Restraint Chair	
01/05/2022	██████ Jail Incident	docx
02/28/2022	Progress Report Revised	docx
01/05/2022	██████ Body Camera	
01/05/2022	██████ Jail Incident	pdf
01/05/2022	██████ Jail Incident	docx
01/05/2022	██████ Body Camera	
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01/05/2022	██████ Body Camera	
01/06/2022	Nordby Jail Incident	docx
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01/05/2022	Jackson Body Camera	
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Assignment History

Date/Time Sent	From	To	Activity
01/03/2022 07:30	Sergeant M Joachim		Field status changed in IAPro from Initial entry to Released
01/03/2022 07:30	Sergeant M Joachim		Released back to IAPro
01/03/2022 07:31	Sergeant M Joachim		Field status changed in IAPro from Released to Field assigned
01/03/2022 07:31	Sergeant M Joachim	Sergeant Christopher Nordby	IAPro assigned
03/25/2022 13:50	Captain ██████████ ██████████		Field status changed in IAPro from Completed - review pending to Released

Chain of Command History

Routing Number: 1

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Michael Joachim

To [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Christopher Nordby

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 01/03/2022 07:31

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Michael Joachim] **To** [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Christopher Nordby]

Please complete and forward through your chain of command

Comments/Response From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Christopher Nordby]

Completion notes: Please Review

Routing Number: 2

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Christopher Nordby

To Lieutenant [REDACTED]

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 01/06/2022 16:06

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Christopher Nordby] To [Lieutenant [REDACTED]]

Please Review

Comments/Response From [Lieutenant [REDACTED]]

Sergeant Norby make the changes we discussed on the time and go into detail about the verbal de-escalation

Routing Number: 3

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Kevin [REDACTED]

To Sergeant Christopher Nordby

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 01/06/2022 17:02

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] [REDACTED]] To [Sergeant Christopher Nordby]

Make changes discussed

Comments/Response From [Sergeant Christopher Nordby]

Corrections made

Routing Number: 4

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Christopher Nordby

To Lieutenant [REDACTED]

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 01/06/2022 19:22

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Christopher Nordby] To [Lieutenant [REDACTED]]

Corrections made.

Comments/Response From [Lieutenant ██████████]

Sir,

I have reviewed camera and reports. Inmate ██████████ came in as a combative from patrol. The inmate was half dressed and ripped restraint wearing a spit mask due to spitting at patrol officers/ While trying to get vitals ██████████ refused to cooperate and ██████████ can be hear at one point threatening to bite detention staff. We also had a restraining order against ██████████ involving another deputy from a previous arrest. Reports stated that ██████████ was trying to kick and push against deputies while being placed in the chair. Inmate ██████████ was left in the chair to calm down so we wouldn't have a hands on situation or have staff hurt/. When we got ██████████ out of the chair ██████████ began shortly after to scream and bang on the window and door of the cell. I went and spoke to ██████████ and was able to get ██████████ to calm down and promised ██████████ we would check on ██████████ cat. We called ██████████ father and he said he would do it. When I informed ██████████ ██████████ calmed down again. I concur with Sergeant Nordby that this use of force was within Douglas County Policy and SOP. No strikes or joint manipulation was done.

CRS 18-1-703 Use of Force (1)(b) –

“A Superintendent or other authorized official of a jail, prison, or correctional institution may, in order to maintain order and discipline, use reasonable and appropriate physical force when and to the extent that he reasonably believes it necessary to maintain order and discipline”

Douglas County Sheriff's Office Policy and Procedure PP-B-100 Physical Force / Deadly Physical Force IV.
Use of Force -

“When de-escalation techniques are not effective or appropriate, deputies may consider the use of less-lethal force to control a non-compliant or actively resistant individual ..., members may use ‘reasonable and appropriate physical force’ to:

A. Maintain order and discipline in a detention or correctional institution. 18-1-703(l) (b) C.R.S.”

And...

D. To take a person into protective custody for mental health or intoxicated conditions. 27-65-101 C.R.S.”

Detentions SOP DET-B-312 Use of Force and Restraints. A. Restraints:

“The Safety Restraint chair or Humane Restraint Locking Bed will only be used for the following reasons (with approval from the watch commander or the on-duty Sergeant):

- To prevent an inmate from harming themselves or other persons and other methods have not worked.”

and Detentions SOP DET-H-305 Suicide Prevention and Intervention B. Identification / Referral /

Assessment:

"Treat all potentially suicidal inmates as if they were sincere, and do not automatically assume that the inmate is trying to be manipulative."

Routing Number: 5

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] [REDACTED]

To Captain [REDACTED]

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 01/06/2022 19:51

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] [REDACTED]] **To** [Captain [REDACTED]]

Sir,

Please read my comments and response and review video and reports. Forward up the chain of command.

Comments/Response From [Captain [REDACTED]]

After reading all the reports and watching all the videos I agree with Sgt. Nordby and Lt. [REDACTED] that proper use of force was used to control Inmate [REDACTED] who as intoxicated and physically resisting, and would not comply with verbal commands.

Captain [REDACTED]

Routing Number: 6

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] [REDACTED]

To Chief Deputy Steven Johnson

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 02/28/2022 10:20

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] [REDACTED]] **To** [Chief Deputy Steven Johnson]

After reading all the reports and watching all the videos, I agree with Sgt. Nordby and [REDACTED] that proper use of force was used to control Inmate [REDACTED] who was intoxicated and physically resisting, and would not comply with verbal commands.

Captain [REDACTED]

Comments/Response From [Chief Deputy Steven Johnson]

[Forwarded by Chief Deputy Steven Johnson]

Routing Number: 7

From [Snapshot Title Unavailable] Steven Johnson

To Undersheriff David Walcher

Cc:

Date/Time Sent 03/10/2022 12:37

Instructions From [[Snapshot Title Unavailable] Steven Johnson] To [Undersheriff David Walcher]

Undersheriff,

This is a use of force (UOF) incident involving Detentions Deputies. I have reviewed the available information to include the body worn cameras. I concur that the use of force was reasonable, under the circumstances, conformed to our policies and procedures and followed all applicable laws.

Steve Johnson, Chief Deputy
Detention Services Bureau

Comments/Response From [Undersheriff David Walcher]

[Open routing]