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Fri 4/19/2019 12:44 PM

To: MediaInquiryProsecutor <MediaInquiryProsecutor@kingcounty.gov>; Jason Rantz ⌃

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You replied on 4/30/2019 6:54 PM.

Jason,

I have taken the liberty to reformat your questions a bit so they are easier to read:

- Can you give me the dates associated with this? We received the case for filing on 4/1, the decline went out on 4/3.
- When did the interaction occur, when did the office file misdemeanor charges? The incident for which charges was referred occurred on 3/27/19. The case is now being reviewed by our district court unit for filing of misdemeanor charges.
- Finally, are you able to offer some further context with this statement (separate from the case cited below): "We will not file when the assault can be best described as resisting." Why not? What message, if any, do you think this might send to law enforcement officers?
  - This statement is directly from our written Felony Filing and Disposition Standards(FADS), which our office has used for many years to guide our charging decisions for all felony crimes. The FADS have been revised and added to over the years, but some version has been in place since 1975. For Assault in the Third Degree, we have the standard that we will not file "when an assault can best be described as resisting" to ensure that we are charging those assaults that are the result of an intentional and targeted strike by a suspect on a law enforcement officer, and not merely a resistance to arrest where a suspect may lack the mental state to intentionally strike another. Of course, the point where resisting arrest becomes an intentional assault is fluid and a decision we have to make in each and every case after reviewing the statements of all the involved individuals and discussion with law enforcement. Finally, law enforcement is aware of our FADS on Assault in the Third Degree as they are consulted during the implementation of FADS and when we consider changes to our FADS. -
  - *For some context, here is the intro page for our FADs. I will leave it to this to simply answer the question.* https://kc1.sharepoint.com/teams/pao/intranet/criminal/SitePages/crimmanfad-Section1.aspx

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Jason,

Absolutely! I'll get it to you as soon as I am able tomorrow.

Thanks,
Dan K

From: Jason Rantz <rantz@ktth.com>
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Can you get back to me by tomorrow end of day?

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Jason,