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**INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF JESUS HERNANDEZ-MURILLO  
# 18IQ033145**

**INTERROGATORIES TO THE INQUEST JURY**

DATED the <sup>21<sup>st</sup></sup>20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

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Inquest Administrator

**Interrogatory No. 1:** On July 26, 2018, did King County Sheriff's Deputy Leland Adams observe a gray Honda driven by Jesus Hernandez-Murillo in the Sound Transit Parking Garage in Kent, WA?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 2:** Was Irvin Martinez-Leiva sitting in the front passenger seat of the gray Honda?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 3:** Did Deputy Adams run the license plate of the gray Honda and receive a notification that it had been reported stolen?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 4:** Did Deputy Adams block the gray Honda with his patrol vehicle?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 5:** Was stopping the gray Honda after knowing it was stolen a "high risk stop"?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 6:** Did Deputy Adams exit his vehicle, point his pistol at the gray Honda and announce something similar to, "Sheriff's Office. Get your hands up"?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 7:** Did Deputy Adams notify dispatch that he had "two at gunpoint"?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 8:** Did Deputy Adams wait for backup before approaching the gray Honda?

YES 0 NO 6 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 9:** Did Deputy Adams believe that backup was not likely to arrive soon?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 10:** Did Jesus Hernandez-Murillo place both his hands outside the driver's side window when Deputy Adams commanded him to put his hands up?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 11:** Did Irvin Martinez-Leiva raise his hands when Deputy Adams ordered him to do so?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 12:** Did it appear to Deputy Adams that Jesus Hernandez-Murillo and Irvin Martinez-Leiva were talking to each other?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 13:** Was Deputy Adams able to hear what Jesus Hernandez-Murillo and Irvin Martinez-Leiva were discussing between themselves?

YES 0 NO 6 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 14:** Did Deputy Adams think that Jesus Hernandez-Murillo and Irvin Martinez-Leiva were discussing a plan to fight or flee?

YES 3 NO 2 UNKNOWN 1

**Interrogatory No. 15:** Did Deputy Adams order Jesus Hernandez-Murillo and Irvin Martinez-Leiva not to move?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 16:** Did Deputy Adams briefly activate his taser at some point during his conversation with Jesus Hernandez-Murillo and Irvin Martinez-Leiva while they were still sitting in the gray Honda?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 17:** Did Deputy Adams decide to arrest Jesus Hernandez-Murillo?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 18:** At that point did Deputy Adams believe that Jesus Hernandez-Murillo and Irvin Martinez-Leiva had appeared compliant?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 19:** During the stop, did Deputy Adams inform Jesus Hernandez-Murillo that he was under arrest?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 20:** Did Deputy Adams have reason to believe that Jesus Hernandez-Murillo understood English?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 21:** Did Deputy Adams place Jesus Hernandez-Murillo's left hand in handcuffs?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 22:** Did Deputy Adams holster his pistol in order to complete the handcuffing process?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 23:** Did Jesus Hernandez-Murillo attempt to break free of Deputy Adams' control?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 24:** Did Deputy Adams see an AR-15 style rifle in Jesus Hernandez-Murillo's right hand?

YES 4 NO 2 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 25:** Did Deputy Adams and Jesus Hernandez-Murillo struggle over the rifle?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 26:** Did Deputy Adams give Jesus Hernandez-Murillo any commands during the struggle over the rifle?

YES 0 NO 3 UNKNOWN 3

**Interrogatory No. 27:** Did Deputy Adams believe Jesus Hernandez-Murillo would attempt to shoot him with the rifle?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 28:** Did Deputy Adams warn Jesus Hernandez-Murillo that deadly force might be used?

YES 1 NO 4 UNKNOWN 1

**Interrogatory No. 29:** Did Deputy Adams shoot Jesus Hernandez-Murillo with his duty-issued handgun during the struggle over the rifle?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 30:** Did Deputy Adams handcuff Jesus Hernandez-Murillo after shooting him?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 31:** Did Deputy Adams request medical aid as soon as possible for Jesus Hernandez-Murillo?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 32:** Did officers provide medical aid to Jesus Hernandez-Murillo once it was safe and feasible to do so?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 33:** Was Jesus Hernandez-Murillo taken to Harborview Medical Center for further medical treatment?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 34:** Did Jesus Hernandez-Murillo die later that morning of July 26, 2018, at Harborview Medical Center?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 35:** Did a bullet fired by Deputy Adams cause Jesus Hernandez-Murillo's death?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 36:** Did the pathway of the bullet fired by Deputy Adams pass through Jesus Hernandez-Murillo's lung resulting in uncontrollable blood loss?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 37:** Was it more likely than not that Jesus Hernandez-Murillo could have survived such an injury?

YES 0 NO 6 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 38:** Did Jesus Hernandez-Murillo have amphetamine and methamphetamine in his system at the time of his death?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

### INTERROGATORIES DETERMINING WHETHER DEPUTY ADAMS COMPLIED WITH KCSO POLICIES AND TRAININGS

**Interrogatory No. 39:** Was the use of force by Deputy Adams objectively reasonable? (See, e.g., KCSO Policy 6.00.005)

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0

**Interrogatory No. 40:** Did Deputy Adams exhaust every reasonable means of apprehension before resorting to the use of deadly force? (See, e.g., KCSO Policy 6.00.030)

YES 5 NO 0 UNKNOWN 1 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 41:** Was the force used by Deputy Adams used in the discharge of a legal duty, or to arrest a person who Deputy Adams reasonably believed had committed, had attempted to commit, was committing, or was attempting to commit a felony? (See, e.g., KCSO Policy 6.00.030)

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 42:** Did Deputy Adams have probable cause to believe the suspect posed a threat of serious physical harm? (See, e.g., KCSO Policy 6.00.030)

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 43:** Was it possible for Deputy Adams to warn Jesus Hernandez-Murillo that deadly force might be used? (See, e.g., KCSO Policy 6.00.030)

YES 2 NO 1 UNKNOWN 3 DID NOT ANSWER 0

### KCSO Policy 4.09.020 (STOPPING A VIOLATOR)

**Interrogatory No. 44:** Did KCSO Policy 4.09.020 (STOPPING A VIOLATOR) apply to Deputy Adams' actions during this event?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 45:** Did Deputy Adams' actions during the course of this incident comply with KCSO Policy 4.09.020 (STOPPING A VIOLATOR)?

YES 4 NO 1 UNKNOWN 1 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 46:** Did Deputy Adams' actions during the course of this incident comply with the KCSO training he received on Stopping a Violator?

YES 4 NO 1 UNKNOWN 1 DID NOT ANSWER 0

#### **KCSO Policy 6.00.020 (DE-ESCALATION)**

**Interrogatory No. 47:** Did KCSO Policy 6.00.020 (DE-ESCALATION) apply to Deputy Adams' actions during this event?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 48:** Did Deputy Adams' actions during the course of this incident comply with KCSO Policy 6.00.020 (DE-ESCALATION)?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 49:** Did Deputy Adams' actions during the course of this incident comply with the KCSO training he received on De-Escalation?

YES 3 NO 0 UNKNOWN 3 DID NOT ANSWER 0

#### **KCSO Policy 6.00.030 (USE OF DEADLY FORCE)**

**Interrogatory No. 50:** Did KCSO Policy 6.00.030 (USE OF DEADLY FORCE) apply to Deputy Adams' actions during this event?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 51:** Did Deputy Adams' actions during the course of this incident comply with the KCSO Policy 6.00.030 (USE OF DEADLY FORCE)?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 52:** Did Deputy Adams' actions during the course of this incident comply with the KCSO training he received on the Use of Deadly Force?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

#### **INTERROGATORIES DETERMINING WHETHER JESUS HERNANDEZ-MURILLO'S DEATH WAS OCCASIONED BY CRIMINAL MEANS**

*Answer the remaining interrogatories only if you found that Jesus Hernandez-Murillo died as a result of a bullet fired by Deputy Adams (Interrogatory No. 35)*

**Interrogatory No. 53:** Was Deputy Adams' use of deadly force justifiable?

YES 6 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

**Interrogatory No. 54:** If you answered “NO” to Interrogatory # 50, was Deputy Adams’ use of force without malice?

YES 0 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 6

**Interrogatory No. 55:** If you answered “NO” to Interrogatory # 50, was Deputy Adams’ use of force with a good faith belief that such force was justifiable?

YES 0 NO 0 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 6

**Interrogatory No. 56:** Did Deputy Adams cause the death of Jesus Hernandez-Murillo by criminal means?

YES 0 NO 6 UNKNOWN 0 DID NOT ANSWER 0

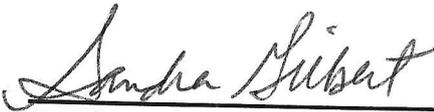
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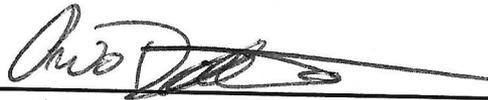
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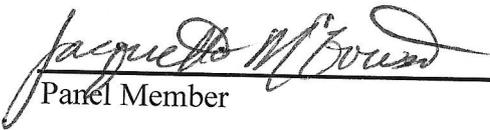
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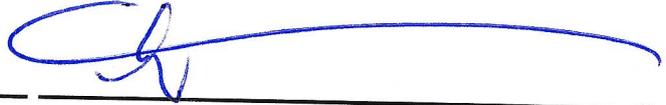
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Juror No. 4

### JUROR EXPLANATION FORM

If desired, you may provide a written explanation of any of your answers to the interrogatories. You need only provide a written explanation when you believe that a written explanation of your answer would provide information helpful in explaining or interpreting your answer.

Interrogatory No. <u>49</u> :	<u>KC Sheriff lawyer stated that</u> <u>there was no real <del>de-escalation</del> de-escalation</u> <u>for KC training. Training for KC officers in 2017.</u> <u>Did have use of Force training, which</u> <u>may have covered some de-escalation tactics.</u>
Interrogatory No. __:	

**JUROR EXPLANATION FORM**

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<p>Interrogatory No. <u>24</u>:</p>	<p>My answer was NO because Deputy Adams did not state that he actually SAW the rifle in <del>his</del> Jesus' right hand. Deputy Adams saw the rifle but did not specifically testify that he saw the rifle in Jesus' (the driver) hand.</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>26</u>:</p>	<p>My answer was unknown. I did not hear of any testimony from Deputy Adams saying he said any commands during the struggle.</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>20</u>:</p>	<p>My answer was unknown because I did hear within the Deputy's testimony saying he warned Jesus of deadly force. I didn't hear of any indication <del>to</del> Jesus knew he was pulling a weapon and would use it.</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>40</u>:</p>	<p>I put unknown because of the word "every". It was stated if Deputy Adams exhausted "every" means of apprehension.</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>49</u>:</p>	<p>NOT sure what De-escalation training Deputy Adams had taken and to the extent of his training</p>

### JUROR EXPLANATION FORM

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<b>Interrogatory No. <u>26</u>:</b>	Officer Adams himself could not recall if Irvin made any comment on anything potentially said during the altercation itself other than Jesus' ask for help.
<b>Interrogatory No. <u>14</u>:</b>	Officer Adams said he believed the suspects were being compliant. He said he took steps to prevent them from fighting or fleeing, but it was preventative and not due to potentially overheard conversation.
<b>Interrogatory No. <u>43</u>:</b>	In a fight who knows what you can say or think. A fight of that intensity can take everything you have and can take so much focus that it prevents having a moment to think or interject.
<b>Interrogatory No. <u>45</u>:</b>	The policy itself does not say the officer "shall" wait for backup and the trainer testimony indicates officer Adams was in compliance
<b>Interrogatory No. <u>   </u>:</b>	

Juror No. 6

### JUROR EXPLANATION FORM

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Interrogatory No. <u>26</u> :	not sure if and what command was given
Interrogatory No. <u>28</u> :	yes, because <sup>when</sup> asked are you going to shoot? Adams said, no, <del>was</del> unless you make me.
Interrogatory No. <u>43</u> :	not sure if Adams was able to warn deadly force might be used at this point
Interrogatory No. <u>  </u> :	
Interrogatory No. <u>  </u> :	

Juror No. 1

### JUROR EXPLANATION FORM

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Interrogatory No. <sup>43</sup> __:	UNKNOWN There is no way to determine if Deputy Adams could command clearly during an intense physical struggle.
Interrogatory No. __:	

Juror No. 3

### JUROR EXPLANATION FORM

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Interrogatory No. <u>49</u> :	I believe # Training module was not completely "rolled out"
Interrogatory No. __:	

**JUROR EXPLANATION FORM**

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<p>Interrogatory No. <u>43</u>:</p>	<p>Adams did not have a chance to give warning because it was a split second decision once he saw occupant come around front of car.</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>44</u>:</p>	<p><del>Adams</del> The KCSO policy is to be used as a guide. Even though Adams did not ask the driver to turn off vehicle, doesn't mean he was in violation</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>45</u>:</p>	<p>I answered unknown because the <del>did not answer question</del> because it's impossible to determine if a violation <del>occurred</del> occurred when 4.09.020 is merely a guide</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>46</u>:</p>	<p>I answered unknown because I don't remember what the training was for stopping a violator.</p>
<p>Interrogatory No. <u>46</u>:</p>	<p>I answered unknown because I don't remember what the training was for stopping a violator.</p>

Juror No. 1

### JUROR EXPLANATION FORM

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Interrogatory No. <u>13</u> :	NO He could see they were talking, but could not understand what they were discussing.
Interrogatory No. <u>14</u> :	UNKNOWN No way to know that they were discussing a plan to fight or flee. He wanted to get ahead of such plans, but didn't know if that's what they were discussing.
Interrogatory No. <u>24</u> :	NO I don't believe he saw the AR-15 style rifle actually in Jesus' hands; I do believe he thought Jesus had control of the rifle, presumably in his right hand - but he never actually saw that.
Interrogatory No. <u>26</u> :	NO He testified he did not recall warning them that Deadly Force could be used during the struggle.
Interrogatory No. <u>28</u> :	No He testified he did not recall warning them that Deadly Force could be used during the struggle.

Amended Interrogatories to the Jury

The parties just noticed that questions #54 and #55 had a typo – these questions were supposed to refer to Question #53, not #50.

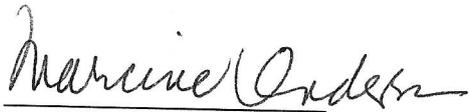
Now knowing Questions #54 and #55 were supposed to be in reference to #53, are your answers still accurate?

Yes, our answers are still accurate.



7/21/2023

Signed July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023



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