

 Outlook

Re: [EXTERNAL] Use of Force Review

From Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>

Date Mon 5/20/2024 8:38 AM

To Matt Rokus <Matt.Rokus@eauclairewi.gov>

I totally understand. Thank you for taking a look.

Paul

From: Matt Rokus <Matt.Rokus@eauclairewi.gov>

Sent: Monday, May 20, 2024 8:34 AM

To: Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Use of Force Review

Paul,

I spoke with our DAAT instructor, Lieutenant Ryan Dahlgren. He did not at all seem comfortable testifying in the capacity as a DAAT expert. He is very close to retirement and did not want to push the issue with him being that close. We will not have our next certified DAAT instructor online until towards the end of the year. Sorry, we are not much help on this one.

Sincerely,

Matt

Matt Rokus

Chief of Police

Eau Claire Police Department

Office: 715.839.4975

Cell: 715.828.4266

Matt.Rokus@eauclairewi.gov



From: Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>

Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2024 2:27 PM

To: Matt Rokus <Matt.Rokus@eauclairewi.gov>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Use of Force Review

Matt,

002273

We are looking at a July 16th trial. The incident report is attached. If you use Axon, I can send over a handshake request to share the video.

Thanks again,
Paul

From: Matt Rokus <Matt.Rokus@eauclairewi.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2024 1:46 PM
To: Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Use of Force Review

Paul,

This is certainly something we can help out with. No worries about reimbursement. When you have a chance give me a call sometime to share some more info about what is needed. My desk phone listed below or my cell (715)271-1625 will work.

Matt

Matt Rokus

Chief of Police
Eau Claire Police Department
Office: 715.839.4975
Cell: 715.828.4266
Matt.Rokus@eauclairewi.gov



From: Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 8:26 AM
To: Matt Rokus <Matt.Rokus@eauclairewi.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Use of Force Review

Good morning Chief,

I'm emailing with a request. We had a use of force incident a couple months ago, and the case will likely go to a trial in July. The use of force is not the subject of the trial. The trial is for the ordinance citation that was issued to the suspect, but our city attorney would like to have a DAAT instructor review the application of force and possibly be available to testify at the trial. I'm currently the only DAAT instructor in our agency that is a supervisor, and I would much rather have someone from outside of our agency look at this. Would you have someone in mind from your agency who might be able to do this? We would be happy to cover any wages and expenses.

Thanks,
Paul

Paul Winterscheidt
Chief of Police
Superior Police Department

1316 N 14th St.
Superior, WI 54880
(715) 395-7234



Outlook

Re: UOF Expert Witness

From Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>
Date Tue 6/18/2024 10:37 AM
To Thompson, Thomas <thomas.thompson@northwoodtech.edu>

Thanks for the quick reply. Let's start with Nate.

Paul

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S23 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone
Get [Outlook for Android](#)

From: Thompson, Thomas <thomas.thompson@northwoodtech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2024 10:20:20 AM
To: Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>
Subject: Re: UOF Expert Witness

Hi Paul,

The three people I use and are becoming our MIT's for Defensive Tactics are:
Joe Misselt - Chippewa Co Sheriffs Office (Jail)
Jason Bayer - Polk Co Deputy
Nate Deegan - Chief Deputy at Ashland Co

I have other DAAT/Defensive Tactics instructors, but these 3 are the ones who will be our MIT's

Let me know if want more information or contact on any of them.

Tom Thompson
Academy Director – Law Enforcement and Corrections
Northwood Technical College
1900 College Drive
Rice Lake, WI 54868
Phone: 715-788-7148
NorthwoodTech.edu



Formerly WITC

Learn more - northwoodtech.edu/name-change

From: Winterscheidt, Paul <winterscheidtp@superiorwi.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2024 9:53 AM
To: Thompson, Thomas <thomas.thompson@northwoodtech.edu>
Subject: UOF Expert Witness

Good morning Tom. I hope all is well. I'm putting some feelers out to fulfill a fairly time-sensitive request from our city attorney's office. We have a resisting ordinance citation going to trial four weeks from today. The CA would like to hire an expert witness to review the UOF and offer an opinion at the trial (if the trial goes). The CA is willing to compensate up to \$4,000.

I've reviewed the incident as part of our internal UOF investigation process, and I am comfortable that this incident was well within policy. We would just be more comfortable having a neutral party take a look at it and testify, if necessary.

Full disclosure... this incident attracted the attention of a social justice group, and we have sustained a barrage of harassing emails and Facebook comments on our page. Hence, the compensation... The incident does not involve any protected class issues. If you have a DAAT instructor in mind who might be interested, let me know.

Best
Paul Winterscheidt

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S23 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone
Get [Outlook for Android](#)