



## OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL

GLENN R. FUNK  
*District Attorney General*

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Special Agent Steven Kennard  
Tennessee Bureau of Investigation  
901 R. S. Gass Boulevard  
Nashville, TN 37216

Re: TBI Case No. NA-5U-000073  
(LE-A) ROBERT ODES WEAVER  
(0-A) KEITH LEE WEST, III

Dear Agent Kennard:

After reviewing the Investigative Report prepared in the above referenced matter, which includes all the relevant facts, it is the opinion of this Office that the shooting death of Robert Lee West, III by Sgt. Robert Weaver was a case of justifiable homicide. The video evidence in this case clearly shows Sgt. Weaver was acting in the performance of his duties as a Metropolitan Nashville Police Officer and discharging those duties in an effort to protect the public from an armed individual.

Although it was later determined that the weapon carried and brandished by Keith West was a non-functioning air soft pistol, Sgt. Weaver had no way of knowing that it was not an actual deadly weapon, which again is verified by the video footage and the statements of others who saw Mr. West with the weapon. When Keith West charged toward Sgt. Weaver with the weapon, after being ordered repeatedly to drop it, Sgt. Weaver was justified in employing deadly force to defend himself from what he reasonably believed to be an imminent threat of death or serious bodily harm.

Thank you for the thorough and complete Investigative Report and for meeting with me and General Funk to review the case. Based on all the facts and circumstances I respectfully request the TBI close this case. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Roger D. Moore  
Deputy District Attorney General

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Nathan L. Neese, TBI  
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