



PUBLIC RELEASE MEMORANDUM

Date: February 20, 2025

Subject: **Fatal Deputy-Involved Incident**

Involved Peace Officer: Deputy John Gregory
San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department

Involved Subject: Jimmy Ferrer (DOB 1/21/1983)
Subject's Residence: Barstow, CA

Incident Date: August 17, 2020

Case Agent: Lieutenant Thomas Lewis/Corporal Austyn Willis
Barstow Police Department

Agency Report #: 20-2818

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On August 17, 2020, at approximately 1:00 a.m., San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department (SBCSD) Deputy John Gregory made lawful contact with 37-year-old Jimmy Ferrer in a business parking lot on the 1900 block of East Main Street in Barstow. During that contact, Mr. Ferrer assaulted Deputy Gregory and SBCSD Deputy Joshua Laube. Deputy Gregory then shot Mr. Ferrer, who died as a result. To comply with California State Bar Rule 3.6, no additional facts will be released at this time.

The Barstow Police Department investigated the shooting incident and submitted investigation materials to the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office. An exhaustive review of those submitted materials was completed. As a result of that review, it is the conclusion of this office that based upon the evidenced facts, the use of deadly force by Deputy John Gregory cannot be deemed, beyond a reasonable doubt, to have been exercised in a manner consistent with California Penal Code, section 835a, subdivision (c). It is also the conclusion of this office that based upon the evidenced facts, no theory of criminal homicide against Deputy John Gregory can be proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

Submitted By:
San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office
303 West Third Street
San Bernardino, CA 92415
Dated: February 20, 2025

