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Reference: Media Inquiries regarding Officer Involved Shooting in McPherson County on April 14, 2016.

On April 14, 2016 at about 3:00 p.m. McPherson County Sheriff Deputies attempted to serve an arrest warrant on Hwy. 56 approximately .2 mile west of 19th Avenue in McPherson County. While trying to complete the arrest, the subject physically resisted and a physical altercation ensued between the subject and the two deputies. During the altercation, one of the deputies deployed his Taser in multiple modes and numerous times with no success.

The suspect continued to resist arrest and struck one of the deputies in the face numerous times. The second deputy issued commands for the subject to stop but did not comply. The subject approached the second deputy, physically attacked him, and resumed his striking of the first deputy. The second deputy deployed his service weapon striking the subject.

Officers immediately rendered medical aid to the subject until EMS personnel arrived on scene. The subject was transported to McPherson Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

This incident was captured on video and will be reviewed during the continuing investigation.

The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) is conducting an investigation regarding this incident. For the sanctity of the investigation, the KBI will be releasing no further information until the investigation is complete and has been reviewed by McPherson County Attorney, Torrance Parkins.

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