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Shooting by Sheriff's Sergeant and CHP Officer at Borderline Bar & Grill Justified

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today that the review of the circumstances surrounding the November 7, 2018, shooting at the Borderline Bar & Grill in Thousand Oaks, California, by Ventura County Sheriff's Sergeant Ronald Helus and California Highway Patrol Officer Todd Barrett has been completed.

The full report, authored by Senior Deputy District Attorney Christopher Harman, is available on the Ventura County District Attorney's website

(<https://www.vcdistrictattorney.com/2020/12/december-17-2020/>) and explains the District Attorney's conclusions that Sergeant Helus and Officer Barrett acted reasonably, and their use of deadly force in self-defense and defense of others was justified.

A video recording of District Attorney Gregory Totten's introductory remarks is available here:

<https://youtu.be/Q0w9wXUtkYE>.

A video compilation of the Borderline officer-involved shooting is available here:

<https://youtu.be/EJ6SDNXTKcI>.

Additional source videos of the officer-involved shooting are available here:

- https://youtu.be/KSJII_u5NIE
- https://youtu.be/b62d_8s-gpw
- https://youtu.be/hmjebkm_Bk
- <https://youtu.be/PQN2W6cKUkA>
- <https://youtu.be/qQWVvWbAYWA>

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