



Christopher Dorner

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On February 3rd, 2013, Christopher Dorner, a former LAPD police officer, shot and killed two civilians in Irvine, CA, due to their association with his lawyer, a former LAPD captain. At that point, he became a wanted fugitive. Days later, on February 7th, Mr. Dorner shot and killed RPD Officer Michael Crain and injured his partner, Officer Andrew Tachias, while they were on routine patrol in the City of Riverside.

On Tuesday, February 12th, 2013, two detectives representing RPD's Homicide Unit were in Big Bear, CA, joining with other Southern California law enforcement agencies in the search for Mr. Dorner. One of the RPD detectives was involved in the final shoot-out with Mr. Dorner. The cabin in which Mr. Dorner was hiding caught fire after tear gas was shot into the residence. The autopsy concluded that Mr. Dorner died as a result of a self-inflicted gunshot to his head.

The Commission conducted no public evaluation of this shooting. Since the incident occurred within the jurisdiction of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, the criminal investigation conducted by that agency was not provided to the Commission, thus the public review could not be done. However, because an RPD officer was involved in the shooting, the Riverside Police Department provided the Commission with the information needed for the Administrative review.

On April 2nd, 2014, the Commission received the Administrative Investigation casebook. The Commission's Administrative Review of this case took place in closed session on April 23rd, 2014.