

# Office of the Prosecuting Attorney Washtenaw County



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Washtenaw County Prosecuting Attorney Brian Mackie announced that no criminal charges will be filed against Ann Arbor Police Officer David Ried for the fatal shooting of Ms. Aura Rain Rosser, which occurred shortly after midnight on Monday, November 10, 2014. The decision follows the review of a thorough investigation conducted by the Michigan State Police First District Special Investigations Division. The State Police conducted the investigation of Mr. Rosser's death at the request of Ann Arbor Police Chief John Seto. "The law is clear and the evidence established that this tragic death was the result of lawful self-defense," Mackie said.

In the late evening of Sunday, November 9, 2014, Officer Ried and his partner were dispatched to a home on the West side of Ann Arbor as the result of a citizen making a 911 call for help because of a violent subject. The investigation established that the officers entered the home and saw Ms. Rosser attacking the homeowner with a raised knife. After the officers yelled at Ms. Rosser to drop the knife, she came at the officers with the knife still raised in an attack position. Ms. Rosser ignored repeated commands to drop the knife. As she continued to advance on the officers, Officer Ried fired one shot from his department issued handgun, killing Rosser.

"This is a terrible loss for Ms. Rosser's family and friends, and I want to express my deep condolences to them," Mackie said.

Prosecutor Mackie expresses his gratitude to the Michigan State Police First District Special Investigations Division for their thorough and diligent work on this case, and especially to Detective Sergeant Christopher Corriveau, who led the investigation since the early morning of November 10, 2014, and Detective First Lieutenant Sean Furlong, who leads the section. Prosecutor Mackie also thanks Chief Seto and the men and women of the Ann Arbor Police Department for their continued professionalism as the State Police and the Prosecutor's Office did their work.

A link to the memorandum, which contains a synopsis of the circumstances revealed by the investigation of Ms. Rosser's death, and the Prosecutor's Office's analysis and reasoning, can be found at the Prosecuting Attorney's website ([www.ewashtenaw.org/government/prosecuting\\_attorney](http://www.ewashtenaw.org/government/prosecuting_attorney)). Additional files, including the Michigan State Police investigation report, Ann Arbor Police Department report of the incident, the report of the autopsy of Ms. Rosser, and recordings of witness interviews, will be available on the prosecuting attorney's page as soon as possible. Any information which is not released will be identified, and the reasons for not releasing the information will be provided.

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