

attempt to force the door he bounced back into me and we nearly fell over the second floor railing and into the parking lot.

I continued working on the window while Ofc. Schuster turned his back to the front door and began to "mule kick" it. Officer Wesel maintained a visual on Hanson so she could alert us if he regained consciousness.

My concern at this point was that Hanson was faking being unconscious so that he could lure us into the apartment and then place us in a position where we would be forced to use lethal force. Hanson had positioned himself in the kitchen where he had ready access to knives and other sharp instruments. Through my training and experience I know that the kitchen is one of the most dangerous places for a suicidal subject to be because of the ready access to knives and other cutting instruments. Through my training and experience I also know that distraught individuals will attempt "suicide by cop." Suicide by cop is an act where by a subject presents a threat to an officer in order to get the officer or officers to use lethal force against them. Suicidal individuals will use this ploy because they do not have the nerve or do not want there families to suffer the stigma associated with victims of suicide.

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It was also my belief that once we got into the apartment we needed to secure Hanson as quickly as possible to get him medical attention. Ofc. Schuster had the Taser and would deploy it once entry was made into the apartment. If Hanson chose to take aggressive action toward us the Taser would quickly subdue him and would cause little physical injury.

Ofc. Schuster was able to force the door open and we entered the department. Upon entry Ofc. Schuster and I repeatedly identified ourselves as police officers. Ofc. Schuster gave repeated commands for Hanson to stay on the ground and to place his hands where we could see them. Ofc. Schuster had deployed the Taser and had it in the ready position. I had my gun drawn as Ofc. Schuster's lethal cover and was standing just behind him on his left with my left hand on or near his shoulder. As we approached the kitchen where Hanson had collapsed he regained consciousness and charged us. Ofc. Schuster and I have repeated commands to Hanson to stop charging. Hanson yelled at us to shoot him. I could see him glancing at the kitchen counter and was concerned that he was going to grab a knife. Hanson also yelled "I'm going to shoot you," and "just shoot me." Hanson charged us and, using his right hand, mimicked shooting a gun as he was charging and yelling at us. We were approximately 10 feet from Hanson when he started his charge. As he came, forward I told Ofc. Schuster to "Tas" him. I holstered my weapon and prepared to tackle Hanson. Ofc. Schuster fired the Taser when Hanson was within approximately 2 feet from him. The barbs of the Taser struck Hanson in the chest area. Hanson yelled out as the barbs struck him, turned to his left (clockwise) and fell to the ground with his hands under him. The Taser cycled through a 5 second burst. At the completion of the cycle Hanson started moving on the ground. I grabbed Hanson's left hand and pulled it from underneath him. His right hand was still under him and he moved to his right side and started to bring his knees to his chest. I ordered Hanson to stay on the ground and to put his hands behind his back. Hanson resisted my efforts to handcuff him by attempting to pull his left hand away from me and twisting his body. Hanson continued to yell and moan unintelligibly and was not complying with simple commands to stay still and put his hands behind his back.

I pulled Hanson's left hand straight out from his body and then reached over and grabbed the sweatshirt sleeve of his right arm and pulled his arm and hand from underneath him. It appeared that Hanson was attempting to get to something in the pocket of his pants. When I let go of Hanson's left