



# KEY WEST POLICE DEPT.

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Response to Resistance EVT-00000697-1

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Primary Officer: Williams, Cynthia (2703)

### Overview

#### Event Information

##### Reporting

A RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE REPORT WILL BE COMPLETED BY THE SUPERVISOR FOR (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

- ☐ A response through the use of non-lethal weapons
- ☒ Applies weaponless physical force of strikes, kicks, or "take-downs"
- ☐ Discharge of firearm in the line of duty, off-duty or on-duty (other than for training, maintenance or ballistics testing)
- ☐ When any person complains of injury as a result of the application of force
- ☐ When any person sustains an apparent substantial or fatal injury as a result of the application of force

##### Event Details

INCIDENT ID 25001072	DATE 02/27/2025	TIME 00:10
LOCATION 211 Duval St #c, Key West, Monroe County, FL, 33040, USA		
INCIDENT TYPE S36 - Battery		
OTHER AGENCIES INVOLVED? N - No		

### Persons

Rositzke, William E

##### Person Role

ROLE Subject
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##### Person Details

LAST NAME Rositzke	FIRST NAME William	MIDDLE NAME E	SUFFIX
DOB 04/13/1969	AGE 55	SEX M	RACE W
HEIGHT 5' 11"	WEIGHT	CLOTHING TYPE Loose / Hanging	ETHNICITY

##### Identifying Documents

##### Document

ID TYPE Driver's License
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Persons (continued)

Rositzke, William E (continued)

ISSUING STATE New York	
ID NUMBER NY381975813	
EXPIRATION DATE 04/13/2027	CLASS CLASS D
RESTRICTIONS	

Contact

Address

ADDRESS TYPE H - Home
LOCATION 1396 Schoharie TPKE, Catskill NY 12414

Phone Number

PHONE NUMBER TYPE Home	PHONE NUMBER
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E-Mail

Response to Resistance Circumstances

DID YOU OBSERVE THE SUBJECT? Yes		
APPEARED TO BE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emotionally/Mentally disturbed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intoxicated	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> Under the influence of controlled substance		
SUBJECT ARRESTED Yes		

Sosa, Kevin

Person Role

ROLE Witness
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Person Details

LAST NAME Sosa		FIRST NAME Kevin		MIDDLE NAME		SUFFIX	
DOB 02/24/2005		AGE 20		SEX M		RACE W	
ETHNICITY Hispanic or Latino							
HEIGHT 6' 1"	WEIGHT 220						

Identifying Documents

Document

ID TYPE Driver's License
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Persons (continued)

Sosa, Kevin (continued)

ISSUING STATE	
ID NUMBER	
EXPIRATION DATE	CLASS
RESTRICTIONS	

Contact

Address

ADDRESS TYPE
H - Home
LOCATION

Phone Number

PHONE NUMBER TYPE	PHONE NUMBER
Home	

E-Mail

Unknown Person

Person Role

ROLE
Witness

Person Details

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME		DOB	SEX
O'Connor		Jonathan		12/02/2004	M
RACE	ETHNICITY				
W	Not Hispanic or Latino				

Officers

Christina, Dustin (4415)

Officer Details

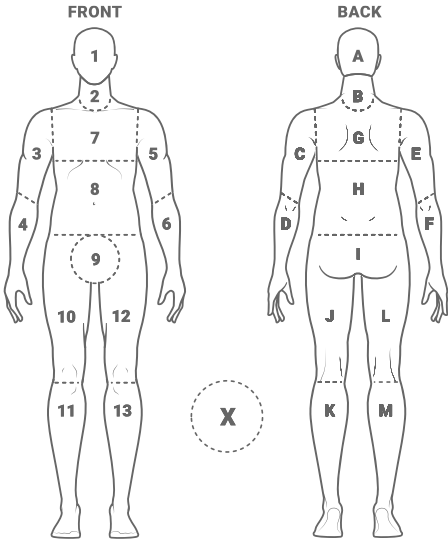
ROLE	OFFICER / EMPLOYEE	POSITION	DIVISION
Involved	Christina, Dustin (4415)	Officer	Night Patrol Division
PATROL SHIFT		EMPLOYEE YEARS OF SERVICE	
Alpha Night Shift		1	
UNIFORMED OR PLAIN CLOTHES		EMPLOYEE WAS ON DUTY	
Uniformed		On Duty	

EMPLOYEE RACE	EMPLOYEE ETHNICITY	EMPLOYEE SEX
White	Not Hispanic or Latino	Male

Officers (continued)

Christina, Dustin (4415) (continued)

EMPLOYEE AGE 38	EMPLOYEE HEIGHT 6' 1"	EMPLOYEE WEIGHT 200
INJURIES No		
BODY WORN CAMERA (BWC) ACTIVATED DURING INCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes		



Torrecillas, Jessie (3759)

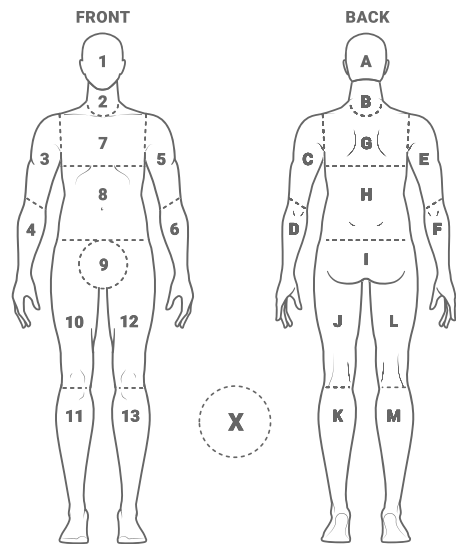
Officer Details

ROLE Witness	OFFICER / EMPLOYEE Torrecillas, Jessie (3759)	POSITION Officer	DIVISION Night Patrol Division
PATROL SHIFT Alpha Night Shift		EMPLOYEE YEARS OF SERVICE 7	
UNIFORMED OR PLAIN CLOTHES Uniformed		EMPLOYEE WAS ON DUTY On Duty	

EMPLOYEE RACE White	EMPLOYEE ETHNICITY Hispanic or Latino	EMPLOYEE SEX Male
EMPLOYEE AGE 41	EMPLOYEE HEIGHT 5' 7"	EMPLOYEE WEIGHT 205
INJURIES No		
BODY WORN CAMERA (BWC) ACTIVATED DURING INCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes		

Officers (continued)

Torrecillas, Jessie (3759) (continued)



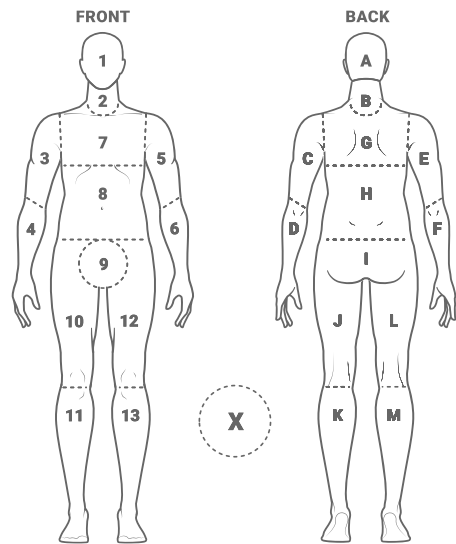
Sonnichsen, Bryce (4424)

Officer Details

ROLE Witness	OFFICER / EMPLOYEE Sonnichsen, Bryce (4424)	POSITION Officer	DIVISION Night Patrol Division
PATROL SHIFT Alpha Night Shift		EMPLOYEE YEARS OF SERVICE 0	
UNIFORMED OR PLAIN CLOTHES Uniformed		EMPLOYEE WAS ON DUTY On Duty	

EMPLOYEE RACE White		EMPLOYEE ETHNICITY Not Hispanic or Latino	EMPLOYEE SEX Male
EMPLOYEE AGE 26		EMPLOYEE HEIGHT 5' 4"	EMPLOYEE WEIGHT 170
INJURIES No			
BODY WORN CAMERA (BWC) ACTIVATED DURING INCIDENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			

Officers (continued)  
Sonnichsen, Bryce (4424) (continued)



Response Action

Response Action

FORCE USED AGAINST P - Person		
PERSON FORCE USED AGAINST Rositzke, William E		
RESISTANCE LEVEL <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aggressive <input type="checkbox"/> Deadly Force <input type="checkbox"/> Passive		
EXPLANATION OF RESISTANCE LEVEL Rositzke grabbed the officer by the vest with force and threatened to punch the officer in the face.		

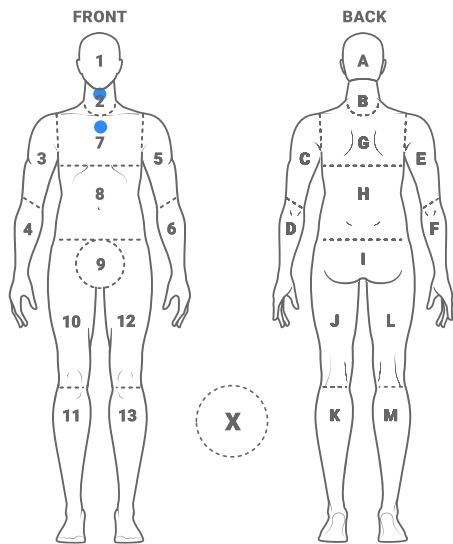
Force

Force

INVOLVED OFFICER Christina, Dustin (4415)	FORCE TYPE Hands-On - Intentional Grounding
NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS 1	

Response Action (continued)

Response Action



Force Location

BODY REGION Chest	DETAILED LOCATION
NUMBER OF IMPACTS 1	INJURY SUSTAINED FROM DIRECT FORCE No injury
PHOTOGRAPHED No	

BODY REGION Front of Neck	DETAILED LOCATION Front of Neck (Unspecified)
NUMBER OF IMPACTS 1	INJURY SUSTAINED FROM DIRECT FORCE No injury
PHOTOGRAPHED No	

Related Injuries

Response Action

FORCE USED AGAINST P - Person		
PERSON FORCE USED AGAINST Rositzke, William E		
RESISTANCE LEVEL <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aggressive <input type="checkbox"/> Deadly Force <input type="checkbox"/> Passive		
EXPLANATION OF RESISTANCE LEVEL Rositzke grabbed and pushed Ofc. Christina by the front of the vest/chest area.		

Response Action (continued)

Response Action

Force

Force

Related Injuries

Investigation

Investigation Details

Report Information

OFFENSE/INCIDENT REPORT AND/OR WARRANT AFFIDAVIT MUST INCLUDE

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All details of the arrest

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All necessary criminal elements

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Detailed description of injury complaints and/or observed injuries

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Details articulating the subject's words, mannerisms and actions that justify the Response to Resistance

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Details outlining the Response to Resistance utilized by each officer

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Details outlining the decontamination, first aid or medical treatment provided to the officer and/or subject

Narrative

NARRATIVE OF INCIDENT

Officer Christina's Incident Narrative:

-- William E Rositzke Arrest Narrative:ⓧ ⓧ ⓧ

On 02/27/2027 at approximately 0010 Hours, while conducting a foot patrol of the 200 block of Duval St. I was flagged down in regard to a disturbance located in 211 Duval St. Irish Kevin`s bar.

Upon my arrival, I was pointed to the center of the bar where I observed a male later identified as Rositzke, William E. A white male, born on 04/13/1969 trying to push through a crowd of people. I approached and told them to calm down, and that it was time to leave. Several crowd members began telling me "It`s ok, it`s ok we are taking him home." Rositzke continued to push through the crowd, I placed my hand on the back of his neck and told him "Enough, it`s time to go". He shrugged and pulled away from me. I then grabbed the back of Rositzke`s shirt and pulled him, telling him it was time to go. Rositzke then turned towards saying "You`re about to get punched in the face." Rositzke then grabbed my vest with force. At this point, I grabbed Rositzke`s arm, using an arm bar technique I assisted him to the ground in a controlled descent. He continued to attempt to pull away but was unable to do so. I then rolled him to his stomach where I secured his hands behind his back, I placed him into handcuffs which were checked for proper fit and double locked. He was then placed into my patrol vehicle while I continued my investigation. It should be noted that I was in full uniform on duty and announced myself as a police officer when making contact with Rositzke.

At this point I made contact with the bar security officer O`Connor, Jonathan a white male, born on 12/01/2004 who stated the following. A female later identified as Hollyday, Emily C a white female, born on 12/21/1969 was being disruptive near the stage with tambourines. When O`Connor approached and asked her to stop, she gave an incoherent response. O`Connor then asked her if the tambourines belonged to her, to which she didn`t respond, He asked again and again she didn`t respond. She was then told she needed to leave and turn over the tambourines if they belonged to the band, she again didn`t respond to the statement. O`Conner then grabbed the tambourines and tried to escort her from the building. Hollyday then begins to push O`Conner in an effort to get away.



Investigation (continued)

Investigation Details

At this point, the other members of the party got involved saying that they would take her and leave. That is when Rositzke decided that he was not ready to leave and tried to go back to the bar. That's when they flagged me down to assist in removing the party from the establishment.

Based on the facts and evidence, I believe there is probable cause that on 02/27/2025, William E. Rositzke did knowingly and intentionally violated F.S.S. 877.0 Disorderly Conduct as read in F.S.S. 509.143 Disorderly Conduct on the premises of an establishment, by actually and purposefully placing patrons of the business in fear by acting erratically and screaming profanities, causing them to flee the business and refusing to leave even after being asked to leave multiple times.

Subsequently, William E. Rositzke was also found in violation of the following Florida State Statutes F.S.S. 784.07-2B BATTERY ON LEO / FIREFIGHTER / EMT RECLASSIFIED, and F.S.S. 843.01 RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER WITH VIOLENCE.

Sgt. C. Williams was notified of the Use of Force and responded to the scene to conduct her investigation. It should be noted that Rositzke had no visible injuries nor did he complain of being injured.

Rositzke was transported to the Monroe County Jail where he was transferred for booking.

My BWC and Fleet Axon recording devices were active for both the arrest and transport.

At the conclusion of the investigation once Hollyday was informed that Rositzke was being arrested she stated that if he was going to jail, she wished to press charges against the bar and the doormen for battering her by trying to remove her from the establishment. At this time no charges have been filed.

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Supervisor's Inquiry

NOTIFIED DATE 02/27/2025	NOTIFIED TIME 00:13
DID SUPERVISOR RESPOND TO THE SCENE Yes	DID SUPERVISOR WATCH ALL RELEVANT VIDEOS ASSOCIATED WITH THE RESPONSE TO Yes
DID SUPERVISOR MEET WITH THE OFFICER(S)? Yes	
DURING SUPERVISOR'S REVIEW DID YOU FIND AN POTENTIAL POLICY VIOLATIONS OR TRAINING ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE INCIDENT? No	
WAS SUPERVISOR ABLE TO LOCATE ANY INDEPENDENT WITNESSES? No	

Supervisor Comments

SUPERVISOR Williams, Cynthia (2703)	RANK Sergeant	REVIEW DATE 03/04/2025
COMMENTS <p>The subject (Rositzke) refused to cooperate in the Supervisor's Review of this incident. Upon introducing myself, Rositzke told me to "go fuck myself." Rositzke said, "You and all these people here are pieces of shit." I asked Rositzke if he would have a conversation with me and he replied that he did not want to have a conversation with me and that I was a piece of shit. Due to his aggressive and volatile demeanor, I did not want to remove him from the Patrol Vehicle, avoiding any further opportunity for Rostizke to escalate. Rositzke did not have any observable injuries and Ofc. Christina advised Rositzke did not have or complain of injuries. I asked Rositzke if he was injured and he said he was because "he was handcuffed for no fucking reason because he was trying to pay his fucking bill". Rositzke told me he did not want to talk to me and to "fuck off."</p> <p>Witness 1 (Sosa) and witness 2 (O'Conner) were the security personnel for the establishment. O'Conner advised he saw the arrestee put his hands and the officer and try to push the officer. Sosa advised he saw the arrestee be aggressive with O'Conner, but was not paying attention with the interaction between the arrestee and the officer.</p> <p>Review of Ofc. Christina and Ofc. Torrecilla's BWC appear to corroborate officers accounts. Rositzke is seen aggressively approaching other persons. Officer Christina grabs him to stop him from moving forward. Rositzke turns into the officer and appears to grab and or push him in the vest. The video is grainy due to it being up close. The audio does not capture the officer identifying himself. Officer Christina grabs Rositzke by the lower front of the neck to upper chest area to re-direct Rositzke down. The video is unable to clearly capture the arm bar technique that follows. The video captures Rositzke goes down on a slow controlled descent where there appear to be no injuries.</p>		

# Investigation (continued)

## Investigation Details