

# What is the Force Review Board (FRB)?

- The FRB reviews all Tier Two and Three Use of Force Reports for compliance with Standard Operating Procedures, Department Directives and applicable law. The FRB may call upon experts or other informed individuals to help it determine if a use of force was policy compliant. Should the FRB determine a use of force was in violation of policy, or that there is insufficient information to make a determination, the FRB will send the Use of Force Report to the Internal Affairs Bureau. The Internal Affairs Bureau commanding officer will initiate an investigation and assign it to the appropriate level in the organization.
- The FRB will make determinations through a consensus process when possible. If consensus cannot be achieved, the FRB Chair will determine if the use of force was appropriate or not.
- The Force Review Board is chaired by the Professional Accountability Division Chief or designee and consists of at least one (1) representative from the Training Section, one (1) representative from the Professional Standards Section, one (1) other command officer, one (1) sergeant and one (1) officer or agent. For consistency, members on the FRB remain on the board for at least one year. Other Chiefs may attend FRB reviews at their discretion. Any member of the FRB may be excused from a particular use of force review because of a conflict of interest decided by the Chair, Deputy Chief, or Chief of Police.
- FRB members not selected due to their duty assignment (Training and Professional Standards) will be selected by the Chief of Police or designee. The Chief of Police will determine the qualifications and selection process for members and may rely on the members' knowledge and/or experience with use of force.