

## **TBI Continues Probe Into Officer-Involved Shooting - Greeneville Sun, The (TN) - March 19, 2018**

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The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation continues its investigation into an officer-involved shooting incident Friday afternoon in Jonesborough.

The knife-wielding man shot by a police officer died, according to a news release from the TBI.

The man is identified by the TBI as **Mark Clinton Harrell Jr.**, 26, of Church Hill.

The news release said that just before 1 p.m. Friday, Jonesborough police officers received a complaint about possible drug activity at a hotel on East Jackson Boulevard and Highway U.S. 11E.

On arrival, officers encountered a man in the parking lot. He "displayed a large knife and threatened to harm himself before leading officers on a foot pursuit," according to the news release.

The foot pursuit crossed over East Jackson Boulevard and ended in the 400 block of the road. Officers continued to give the man orders to drop the weapon, but he refused to comply, the report says.

"At some point during the second confrontation, the subject reportedly moved toward one of the officers with the knife. The situation further escalated and resulted in the officer firing his service weapon, striking the subject," the release says.

The man, who was not identified, was taken to a nearby hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

No officers were injured during the incident.

"TBI special agents will gather any and all relevant interviews and evidence as part of this ongoing investigation," the release says.

The TBI was requested to investigate the shooting incident by Tony Clark, 1st Judicial District attorney general, whose district includes Washington County.

"Throughout the process, agents will submit investigative findings to (Clark) for his review and consideration," the release said.

The TBI "does not identify officers involved in these types of incidents and instead refers questions of that nature to their respective department," the release adds.