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Attorney General Brown Announces That No Charges Will Be Filed in the May 24, 2024 Fatal Officer-Involved Shooting in Baltimore

BALTIMORE, MD (April 11, 2025) – Today, Attorney General Anthony G. Brown announced his decision not to seek charges in the Friday, May 24, 2024 fatal officer-involved shooting in Baltimore, Maryland.

On Friday, May 24, 2024, at approximately 10:25 p.m., officers with the Baltimore Police Department were searching the 3400 block of South Hanover Street for Anthony Ferguson, a person of interest in a crime that occurred on May 20, 2024. The officers located Ferguson sitting on a porch of a vacant commercial building in the area of South Hanover Street and Baltic Avenue. Four officers approached Ferguson on the porch to question him about the earlier crime and proceeded to search Ferguson's backpack. After they searched the backpack, Ferguson stood up and lifted his shirt, revealing a gun tucked in the waistband of his pants. A fifth officer was running toward the scene as the other officers gave verbal commands for Ferguson to drop the handgun. Ferguson did not comply. Instead, Ferguson reached for his gun and exchanged gunfire with the officers. During the course of the gunfire, Ferguson was struck several times by the officers. Ferguson struck one of the officers in the chest, hitting the officer's bulletproof vest. Ferguson was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead. The injured officer was also transported to a local hospital where he was treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

The Attorney General's Independent Investigations Division (IID) began investigating the fatal officer-involved shooting on Friday, May 24, 2024, and concluded its investigation on April 7, 2025. After completing its investigation and evaluating all the available evidence, the Office of the Attorney General has determined that none of the officers involved in the fatal shooting committed a crime under Maryland law. Accordingly, the Attorney General has declined to prosecute any of the officers in this case.

A copy of the IID's detailed investigative findings and analysis of relevant legal issues can be found in its [declination report](#).

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