Oklahoma Sheriff Indicted After Fatal Shooting by Volunteer Deputy



Tulsa, October 2 (RHC)-- In the U.S. state of Oklahoma, Tulsa County Sheriff Stanley Glanz has been indicted following the fatal shooting in April of unarmed African American Eric Harris by a volunteer deputy.

Sheriff Glanz was a close personal friend of Deputy Robert Bates, who says he fatally shot Harris after he mistook his gun for a taser. Bates is a wealthy insurance executive who donated heavily to the department. Reports later showed supervisors at the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office were ordered to falsify Bates' training records before the shooting.

This week, a grand jury indicted Sheriff Stanley Glanz on misdemeanor charges related to Glanz's withholding of documents during the department's internal investigation. Glanz's attorney said the sheriff would resign before the November hearing.

In related news, New York City Police Department Commissioner Bill Bratton is unveiling new rules that will require the U.S.'s largest police department to document virtually every instance of force by officers. The rules will go into effect next year.

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