Medical records state officer shot suspect in back

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The family of an unarmed man who was shot and killed by a South Lake Tahoe Police officer have argued Kris Jackson, 22, was not a threat.

The family's attorney, Alan Laskin, said here's more evidence to support their argument. He says he believes Officer Joshua Klinge shot Jackson in the back.

Laskin points to medical records from Barton Memorial Hospital from June 15. That's when Jackson was shot at the Tahoe Hacienda Inn.

One physician wrote, "He was shot in the back with exit wound to front of chest."

Another register nurse noted, "[Patient] with one [gunshot wound] to mid back, entrance wound to mid back, exit wound to sternum."

South Lake Tahoe Police Chief Brian Uhler said, "I have not seen any evidence to support the claim made by the attorney, suggesting Jackson was shot in the back. Evidence to the contrary will be available at the proper time from officials who conducted the autopsy."

The South Lake Tahoe Police Department and El Dorado County District Attorney's Office say there's no estimate on when the investigation will wrap up and the official autopsy will be released.

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