Officer involved shooting resulting in death occurs; Investigative agency notifies on call Law Enforcement Accountability Division Assistant State's Attorney

An ASA is made available to assist in interviews of witnesses or officers

No later than 72 hours after OIS resulting in death occurs, LEAD ASA meets with investigative agency and discusses status of investigation

Investigative agency completes its investigation and provides complete report to the Cook County State's Attorney's Office

LEAD ASA verifies all appropriate investigative steps have been completed

If no
Investigative agency follows up with remaining steps

If yes

LEAD ASA reviews all available admissible evidence to determine the legality of the officer's use of force

If the admissible evidence is sufficient to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the use of force was illegal, charges will be filed by the CCSAO

If ILSAAP agrees that no criminal charges should be filed, a memorandum explaining the facts of the case and the reason for the decision will be posted to the CCSAO website

If ILSAAP disagrees and believes charges should be filed, the CCSAO will recuse itself from the prosecution of any charges and a special prosecutor will be appointed

If the admissible evidence is insufficient to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that use of force is illegal the case is referred to the Illinois State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor for review

When complete

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CCSAO: Cook County State's Attorney's Office
ILSAAP: Illinois State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor
OIS: Officer-involved shooting
LEAD: Law Enforcement Accountability Division