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Police Officer Acquitted of Animal Cruelty in Shooting Death of Dog

An Adams County District Court jury today acquitted Commerce City Police Officer Robert Price (DOB 03/16/77) on a felony charge of aggravated cruelty to animals.

Price was charged with one count of aggravated cruelty to animals (F6) in the shooting death of a dog named Chloe on November 24, 2012.

Price was among several officers who responded to a call about a dog running at large in the 9600 block of Nucla Street in Commerce City. The dog was shocked with a taser and then shot multiple times. The shooting was video-recorded by a neighbor and the video was a key piece of evidence in the case.

"I respect the jury's verdict," said District Attorney Dave Young. "These are very difficult cases for prosecutors to handle. We presented all the evidence to the jury, including the video of the shooting, and the jury based its verdict on that."

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