

Federal Judge Finds CBP Officer Guilty of Using Excessive Force

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EL PASO, Texas – A federal judge convicted a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Officer for two counts of deprivation of rights under color of law and one count of the falsification of a document in a federal investigation.

According to court documents and evidence presented at trial, Miguel Angel Delgado Jr., 40, of El Paso, used excessive force in two incidents while he was on duty at the Bridge of Americas Port of Entry between October 2019 and June 2020. As a result of Delgado's unlawful use of force, the victims suffered bodily injury. Following one of the incidents, Delgado submitted a CBP Incident Log Report, in which he falsely reported the occurrence.

Delgado faces up to 10 years in prison for each use of force incident and up to 20 years in prison for the falsification of a document charge.

U.S. Attorney Jaime Esparza of the Western District of Texas made the announcement.

The Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General and the CBP Office of Professional Responsibility investigated the case.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Patricia Aguayo is prosecuting the case.

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