

(informational)

Had sent the link to Allen Gilbert's recent blog post to others, including attorney John Burton who has been successfully litigating against Taser International and others. He shared a couple of points within his initial reply and more within his second (when answering my inquiry about whether I could share his comments with others), which might be of interest. View both of his emails below.

Morgan

On Mon, Feb 24, 2014 at 6:58 PM, John Burton <[jb@johnburtonlaw.com](mailto:jb@johnburtonlaw.com)> wrote:  
Thanks for sending, Morgan.

2 points:

1. It's nonsense that "We're using the body's communications system to lock you up and lose control," he said."

Since when is the body sending out pulses of 3-5 amps????

2. That big compendium he lugs around has several peer reviewed studies in it that say that shocks to the chest can cause cardiac arrest.

only use once every two years? Then no big deal to get rid of them. Not worth the expense anyway.

John

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**From:** [Morgan W. Brown](mailto:Morgan.W.Brown)

**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 3:22 PM

**To:** [John Burton](#)

**Subject:** \*Must-Read\* blog post: What Was Taser's CEO Doing In VT?; ACLU VT; 2/24/2014

In case you have not already come across it yet (with apologies if you have), fyi:

What Was Taser's CEO Doing In VT?

(via ACLU VT; 2/24/2014):

<http://acluvt.org/blog/2014/02/24/what-was-tasers-ceo-doing-in-vt/>

On Tue, Feb 25, 2014 at 11:28 AM, John

Burton <[jb@johnburtonlaw.com](mailto:jb@johnburtonlaw.com)> wrote:

please share. They can contact me directly with questions too.

Smith drags that compendium around, but it doesn't substantiate what he says about the science of the device. the Fourth Circuit upheld a verdict that TASER was negligent in not warning about the risk of chest shots, leading to the death of a 17 year old boy. TASER said that the papers were in that compendium warning of the risk.

John

**From:** [Morgan W. Brown](#)

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 3:19 AM

**To:** [John Burton](#)

**Subject:** Re: \*Must-Read\* blog post: What Was Taser's CEO Doing In VT?; ACLU VT; 2/24/2014

You're welcome, John. Good points. Thank you.

Is it permissible with you if I were to share your email with others, including advocates working on these matters? If not, no problem and understood.

Morgan

On Mon, Feb 24, 2014 at 5:13 PM, Morgan W. Brown

<[morganbrown@gmail.com](mailto:morganbrown@gmail.com)> wrote:

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