

Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation INVESTIGATIVE REPORT



12/05/2012 COMERFORD INTERVIEW

Summary

On Tuesday, December 5, 2012, Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Deputy Daniel Comerford arrived at 4055 Highlander Parkway in Richfield, Ohio, the BCI&I Richfield Northeast Regional Office for an interview. Also in attendance was Special Agent William Latham from BCI&I's Bowling Green Northwest Regional Office.

Details

Deputy Comerford was appointed as a Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Deputy on June 7, 2001. He is currently assigned to the Downtown Services Unit (DSU) with his K-9 partner Perrun. Prior to his assignment at the Sheriff's Office, Comerford served the Put-In-Bay community as a Peace Officer and as a Corrections Officer with the Ohio Department of Corrections. Comerford advised that his current assigned shift starts at 6:00 PM and continues until 4:00 AM, Wednesday thru Saturday.

Comerford advised that he was working Thursday, November 29, 2012. Comerford stated that at approximately 10:30 PM he heard "shots fired" on Channel 3 which is occupied by Cleveland's Third District. He continued to state that as he continued towards the area of the Detroit Superior Bridge, the radio traffic became difficult to follow. Comerford advised that he later found out that Cleveland Officers not already on channel 2 were asked to change to channel 2. He did not hear the change and continued to listen to Cleveland's Third District. Comerford caught up with a few other Cleveland Police vehicles and followed along. He noticed that as they approached an intersection where the pursuit was supposed to be, no one was around. After circling around the city trying to locate the lead pursuit vehicles Comerford radioed Martin and Livingstone and advised them that he was too far away from the pursuit to assist and that his vehicle was in no shape to handle continuous pursuit-type driving. He advised them to contact him and Perrun if the Second District needed a K-9 to track. Comerford ended his engagement and began to return to the downtown area. A short time later, Comerford received a radio call

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from Livingstone asking for him to call on the cellular phone. Livingstone advised Comerford that the Second District ended the pursuit and that the suspects were deceased. Comerford did eventually arrive at the scene to confirm that a K-9 was not needed. Comerford stated that he spoke to a Cleveland Police Officer only identified as Sven before advising Martin and Livingstone that they would probably not be needed and should return downtown. Comerford heard no shots fired and, other than the one Cleveland Police Officer, spoke only to Martin, Livingstone and his supervision after the incident.

This interview was audio/video recorded and added to the file as Exhibit #4.

Subject Information

Name:

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Address:

Brunswick, Ohio 44212

Telephone:

Employment:

Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office

DOB:

2/23/1978

SSN:

Sex:

Male

Race:

White

Height:

6'00"

Weight:

220

Hair:

Brown

Eyes:

Blue

S/V/W:

Witness

CCH:

None

