

Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation INVESTIGATIVE REPORT



12/05/2012 MARTIN INTERVIEW

Summary

On Tuesday, December 5, 2012, Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Deputy Dale E. Martin 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 Martin was appointed as a Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Deputy on April 9, 2001. He is currently assigned to the Downtown Services Unit (DSU) in a two man patrol car with Deputy Alex Livingstone. Prior to his employment with the Sheriff's Office, Martin served the United States for 8 years as a U.S. Marine. Martin advised that his current assigned shift starts at 6:00 PM and continues until 4:00 AM, Wednesday thru Saturday.

Martin stated he and Livingstone were working Thursday, November 29, 2012. Martin was at the drivers' wheel and usually operates the vehicle as he suffers from motion sickness. At approximately 9:00 PM or 10:00 PM, they heard radio traffic come from the Cleveland Police radio they carry in their vehicle. The transmission indicated that a Cleveland Police Officer had reported being shot at and was in pursuit of the suspect vehicle. Martin stated that at the time of the pursuit they were close to downtown and the pursuit was crossing the Detroit Superior Bridge. Due to their location to the pursuit, which was about 6 city blocks, they believed they could assist and fell in behind their K-9 Unit and a couple of Cleveland Police vehicles paralleling the pursuit. Martin advised that the radio traffic was "horrific and broken." Martin stated that as they responded to the radio broadcasts, they soon realized that they were actually getting further away from the pursuit, then closer; at one point going from being only 6 city blocks away to almost 20 city blocks. Because of his past relationship with East Cleveland, he was more aware of the lead pursuit vehicles' position. As Martin and Livingstone arrived at the intersection of Euclid and Doan, they heard radio traffic that indicted shots had been fired. Eventually finding a place to park on Terrace Road, Martin and Livingstone walked 3-5 minutes

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up to the school. Once there, they realized the pursuit had ended and Martin could see Russell and Williams in the vehicle, deceased. A telephone call was made to their K-9 Officer Comerford to advise him they were no longer in need of a K-9 for potential tracking. Martin estimated that there were approximately 50 officers on scene. Martin continued that due to the volume of police officers already on scene, they were not needed and walked back to their vehicle and left the scene. Martin stated he heard no shots fired at any time and only spoke to his supervision after the incident.

Subject Information

Name:

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Sheffield Lake, Ohio 44054

Telephone:

Employment:

Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office

DOB:

SSN:

8/31/1977

Sex:

Male

Race: Height:

White 5'08"

Weight:

180

Hair: Eyes: Brown Brown

S/V/W:

Witness

CCH:

None

