

Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation INVESTIGATIVE REPORT



12/18/12 REVIEW PRIOR POLICE CHASE OF RUSSELL

Summary

On December 3, 2011, Willowick Police Department attempted to stop Timothy Russell while driving a white minivan, Ohio License FLG 8459. Refer to Willowick Police Department, Case Number 11-12605, and a dash cam video, for further detail (previously entered as Exhibit #1).

Details

On December 3, 2011, Willowick Police Department was involved in a high speed chase with a male, who was later identified as Mr. Timothy Russell. Ptl. Guerrieri attempted to stop Mr. Russell due to Russell's driving habit. Mr. Russell was driving a white minivan, Ohio License FLG 8459. Ptl. Guerrieri activated his lights and siren and this soon turned into a high speed pursuit. Mr. Russell started to pass other vehicles that were on the opposite side of the road. During the entire time of the pursuit, Mr. Russell was driving recklessly, almost causing accidents. Ptl. Guerrieri continued with the pursuit until Ptl. Guerrieri ran over Willoughby Police Department's spike strips that Willoughby had thrown down in the roadway. Ptl. Guerrieri was immediately out of the pursuit because of his cruiser's deflated tires. Ptl. Sobkowich, from Willowick Police Department, passed Ptl. Guerrieri and pursued Mr. Russell's white minivan.

Reports written by Ptl. Sobkowich document the continuation of the police chase from Willowick to Willoughby, and finally into Mentor, Ohio. Ptl. Sobkowich and a Mentor Police unit attempted to block Mr. Russell's path. Mr. Russell proceeded to go off the road, through a yard and around Ptl. Sobkowich's vehicle. A second Mentor Police unit took over the pursuit. Ptl. Sobkowich followed the second Mentor unit. Mr. Russell eventually lost control by crashing into a service pole. Mr. Russell sustained some injuries. Mentor Police would handle the accident and tow the vehicle. Mentor's case number was MPD 11-24602.

Mr. Russell was charged with failure to comply with an order or signal of a police officer, a Felony of the 3rd Degree. Mr. Russell ended up pleading to a Minor Misdemeanor Offense.

File Number: SI-18-12-82-1493	File Title: Timothy R. Russell (S) Malissa A. Williams (S)
Case Agent: Mark Kollar	Authoring Patricia Stipek #92
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Subject Information

Name:

Timothy R. Russell

DOB:

12/9/68

SSN:

Sex:

Male

Race:

Black

Height:

5'5"

Weight:

220

Hair:

Black

Eyes:

Brown

S/V/W:

CCH: FBI