

## Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation INVESTIGATIVE REPORT



12/19/2012

## REVIEW OF THE PLAIN DEALER VIDEO RECORDINGS

## **Summary**

On December 19, 2012 S/A Brenda McNeely reviewed 2 video recordings titled camera #13 and camera #37 from the exterior of The Plain Dealer building, 1801 Superior Avenue East, Cleveland, Ohio 44114. A traffic stop is observed with no one exiting either involved vehicle and after several seconds, the stopped vehicle accelerates with the police unit following it with emergency lights activated.

## **Details**

Camera #13 contained exterior video recorded on November 29, 2012 from 22:29 hours to 22:31 hours. A vehicle consistent with a 1979 Chevrolet Malibu, and later learned to be occupied by Timothy Russell and Malissa Williams, is observed entering the camera's viewing area at 22:29:51 hours, moving from right to left, which is actually north to south on E. 118<sup>th</sup> Street.

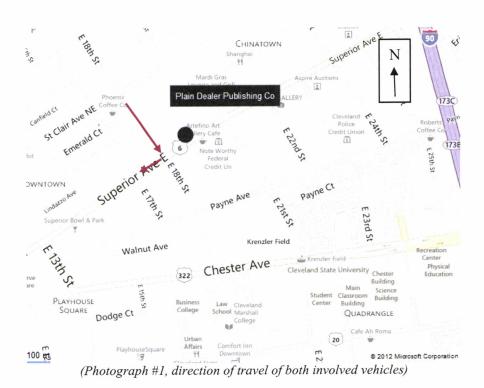
A vehicle consistent with the unmarked police unit driven by Officer John Jordan is observed directly behind the Malibu. The emergency lights are activated at that time the unit enters the camera viewing area.

The Malibu stops on E. 118<sup>th</sup> Street at the entrance to The Plain Dealer visitor parking lot at 22:30:08 hours. The police unit stops behind the Malibu with the emergency lights still activated. They maintain this location for 24 seconds. The Malibu proceeds to accelerate and continue moving southbound on E. 118<sup>th</sup> Street at 22:30:32 hours and the police unit immediately proceeds behind it, with emergency lights continually activated (refer to photograph #1).

File Number: SI-18-12-82-1493	File Title: Timothy R. Russell (S) Malissa A. Williams (S)
Case Agent: Mark Kollar	Authoring Agent: S/A Brenda McNeely
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Investigative Activity: The Plain Dealer video recordings	Supervisor Approval: SAS Dennis Sweet JAN 1 0 2013

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The Malibu exits the left side of the camera viewing area at 22:30:42 hours and the police unit continues directly behind it with emergency lights activated.



Camera #37 contained exterior video recorded on November 29, 2012 from 22:30 hours to 22:32 hours. A vehicle consistent with a 1979 Chevrolet Malibu, and later learned to be occupied by Timothy Russell and Malissa Williams is observed entering the camera's viewing area, moving from right to left, which is actually north to south on E. 118<sup>th</sup> Street.

A vehicle consistent with the unmarked police unit driven by Officer John Jordan is observed directly behind the Malibu. The emergency lights are activated at that time the unit enters the camera viewing area.

The vehicle stops on E. 118<sup>th</sup> Street at the entrance to The Plain Dealer visitor parking lot two seconds after entering the camera viewing area. Four seconds after the vehicle stopped, there is movement on the driver's side of the officer's vehicle that could be consistent with the officer exiting the driver's side of the vehicle and remaining in the doorway of the vehicle; however, the clarity is insufficient to determine if anyone actually exits the vehicle. Twelve seconds after the initial stop, the Malibu quickly edges forward slightly and stops immediately. Twenty-five seconds after initially stopping, the Malibu accelerates and proceeds southbound on E. 118<sup>th</sup> Street. The Officer immediately proceeds after the vehicle with the emergency lights still activated.

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The Malibu continues on E. 118<sup>th</sup> Street south bound to Superior Avenue and makes a right turn to travel westbound on Superior Avenue without stopping, exiting the camera's viewing area 8 seconds later. The police unit continues directly behind the vehicle with emergency lights activated as of the point it exits the camera viewing area (refer to photograph #1).

Both video recordings were submitted to Bradley Barkhurst, a Forensic Analyst of the Ohio Organized Criminal Investigation Commission for enhancement. The OOCIC submission form is to be placed in the case file. This video will be added to the case file as Exhibit #53.