

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation Investigative Report



2021-0957 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 3171 Legion Lane, Columbus, OH (L)

Investigative Activity:	Review of Records
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Narrative:

On June 15, 2021, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Matt Collins (SA Collins) reviewed the phone records of multiple individuals.

During the onset of the investigation, agents learned there were subjects who were present at the scene during the Officer–Involved Critical Incident (OICI) on April 20, 2021. Agents learned their cellphones were used to communicate with one another throughout the day. It was understood, through those communications, subjects ultimately responded by showing up to the address of 3171 Legion Ln. There was a total of nine (9) phone numbers, associated with different individuals. From those, eight phone numbers were represented by two different phone service providers, which were subpoenaed by the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office. The purpose of the subpoenas was to assist in establishing a timeline, based on when witnesses stated they had called or were called by other witnesses. It was also to establish if there were any other witnesses whom were not present, but otherwise understood what the purpose for individual's presence or intent was during the matter.

Information related to what numbers they were and whom they belonged to was input in a spreadsheet, "Pert Phone Numbers," which also identified the subpoena status of the phone records.

The phone records were reviewed or otherwise placed into a spreadsheet which aided in establishing a chronology of the calls or texts. Utilizing Pin Link or "Plx" the records were filtered to only include those which occurred on April 20, 2021, from 0600 to 2359 hours. Also, during the filtering or entry process, duplicate records were omitted (i.e. Ja'niah and Ma'Khia communicated and since both records were obtained, only one entry into the spreadsheet was made).

Please refer to the attached, "4.20.2021 Communication" spreadsheet, the "Pert Phone Numbers" spreadsheet and the "Time-Line of Events" document for further information.

There were two (2) phone numbers found that were contacted by Ja'niah Bryant; (614)

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544-7076 (at 1509, 1515, and 1636 hours) and (614) 254-8932 (at 1647 hours) which were to unknown individuals.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01:Pert Phone Numbers Attachment # 02:4.20.2021 Communication Attachment # 03:Timeline of Events

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<u>Timeline of Events:</u>

4/19 – Surprise birthday party for foster mom, Angela MOORE

4/19 – Ma'Khia BRYANT, Janiah BRYANT, and Beautiful STRATON go on a walk. When they return, M. BRAYNT'S bedroom door is open. The girls ask MOORE who opened the door and MOORE states that Tionna BONNER (who attended the party) is known for stealing.

4/20 – Early AM MOORE drops J. BRYANT off at bus stop. MOORE drops M. BRYANT off at Independence HS.

11:22 – BONNER multiple calls to MOORE

11:27 - BONNER call to J. BRYANT

11:36 - 12:32 - BONNER calls with MOORE

12:33 PM – J. BRYANT gets a text from STRATON stating BONNER called J. BRYANT and STRATON "bitches". J. BRYANT texts M. BRYANT about the altercation.

13:00 – 14:00 - M. BRYANT leaves school early.

13:53 – 16:20 – Multiple phone calls between BONNER and MOORE.

14:09 - M. BRYANT arrives home from school

14:10 – M. BRYANT walks into the front door and BONNER is gone

14:30 – J. BRYANT's bus leaves school. J. BRYANT and M. BRYANT decide they are going to pack and go to grandma's (Jeanene HAMMONDS) house. A short time later BONNER arrives to 3171 Legion Lane and states that MOORE said "tell the girls to clean up all of their stuff or they won't be able to do anything." STRATON is not home at the time.

- BONNER calls Raven Cooper (FCCS) to report that the BRYANT sisters are disrespecting MOORE (*Not reflected in CDRs*)
- M. BRYANT starts arguing with BONNER and has a knife in her pocket. BONNER starts threatening the BRYANT sisters. BONNER lies to CRAIG and says that M. BRYANT threatened to stab her but J. BRYANT says what really happened was the M. BRYANT grabbed a knife for protection (*J. BRYANT INTERVIEW*)
- BONNER takes a knife out of her car but then places it back before the police arrive (*T. BONNER INTERVIEW*)
- 14:39 Myra DUKE calls J. BRYANT
- 14:55 J. BRYANT calls J. HAMMONDS to come pick the BRYANT sisters up

15:06 – J. BRYANT calls DUKE

15:09 – J. BRYANT calls 419.544.7076

15:15 - 419.544.7076 calls J. BRYANT

- 15:14 M. BRYANT appears to go get J. BRYANT from the bus stop
- 15:28 M. BRYANT and J. BRYANT return together
- 15:37 T. BONNER calls MOORE
- 15:43 J. BRYANT call to DUKE
- 15:54 T. BONNER returns to 3171 Legion Lane
- 16:08 J. BRYANT call to MOORE
 - MOORE tells all girls to get out of the house and then cuts of J. BRYANT's phone so that she can only use WiFi (J. BRYANT INTERVIEW)
- 16:11 DUKE calls J. BRYANT
- 16:13 16:15 Multiple calls back and forth between J. BRYANT and MOORE
- 16:15 Multiple calls between J. BRYANT and DUKE
- 16:16 J. BRYANT call to M. HAMMONDS
- 16:17 MOORE calls J. BRYANT

16:20 - BONNER calls Shai-Onta CRAIG to come over. M. BRYANT begins arguing with BONNER. J. BRYANT sees a knife in M. BRYANT's back pocket.

16:22 – J. BRYANT calls M. HAMMONDS

- J. BRYANT calls M. HAMMONDS and asks him to come over. M. HAMMONDS states it was J. HAMMONDS that called and requested he come over (*J. BRYANT and M. HAMMONDS Interviews*)
- 16:23 BONNER calls CRAIG

16:27 – M. BRYANT is at front door. Appears to be speaking or yelling to J. HAMMONDS who is parked IFO 3171 Legion Ln. M. BRYANT is instructing J. HAMMONDS to come up to the house.

-A female is heard asking in the background "You gonna stab me too?"

-M. BRYANT is heard stating "Yeah, bitch, anybody else trying come in my house, I'll stab anybody."

16:28 - DUKE calls J. BRYANT multiple times

16:29 – CRAIG arrives. J. HAMMONDS vehicle was parked in front 3171 Legion Lane

- BRYANT sisters are upstairs and the foster sisters are downstairs. J. HAMMONDS is in the house (J. BRYANT INTERVIEW and BONNER INTERVIEW)
- 16:30 J. BRYANT calls M. HAMMONDS

16:30 – J. BRYANT calls 911

16:32 - 911 Call comes into dispatch

16:32 – J. BRYANT multiple calls to M. HAMMONDS and DUKE

16:34 - J. HAMMONDS accidental call to A. MOORE. Leaves a four minute voicemail of the happenings

16:35 - Officers dispatched to the scene. J. HAMMONDS is at front door. J. HAMMONDS states "Ain't nobody gonna jump you, you trust me. Let's go. Let's go. It's three of us to, two of them and three of us, let's go. Ain't no reason for no threats. Let's go..." J. BRYANT is seen existing the front door.

16:35 - CRAIG arrives to 3171 Legion Ln

16:37 – K. WATKINS calls CRAIG

16:38 - CRAIG tries to open the front door of 3171 Legion Ln

16:42 - BONNER calls CRAIG

16:42 – T. BONNER walks away from the front of the house and walks toward the driveway

16:43 – MOORE calls CRAIG

16:44 - M. HAMMONDS arrives on scene. M. HAMMONDS runs toward the fight.

 CRAIG spits at M. HAMMONDS and M. HAMMONDS barges at her. M. BRYANT sees the spit and goes after CRAIG. M. BRYANT tries to stab CRAIG but can't. BONNER runs from the black car to try to grab M. BRYANT and that's when M. BRYANT turns to stab BONNER (*J. BRYANT INTERVIEW*)

16:44 - Officer Nicholas REARDON gets out of the car and asks the group "What's going on?"

Time Based off the 1618951515651.mp4 video

- 00:03 REARDON'S CPD car comes into view traveling from North to South. Reardon parks his cruiser on the west side of the street. Myron HAMMONDS has nearly crossed the street toward driveway
- 00:07 REARDON's car comes to a stop and gets out of the driver's side door. J. HAMMONDS comes around the corner with M. BRYANT right behind her
- 00:10 Officer CHANNEL and AKPALO's patrol cars come into view traveling from north to south and parking on the west side of the street.
- O0:15 Officer CHANNEL and AKPALO's car comes into view, stops and the driver's side door opens. REARDON appears to be stepping onto the lawn with T. BONNER to his left. M. BRYANT moves toward S. CRAIG. A female yells "I'm gonna stab the fuck outta you bitch." S. CRAIG is seen going to the ground and M. BRYANT is overtop of her.
- 00:18 a male yells " get down, get down..." and four gunshots are heard.
- 16:45 Shots are fired

16:46 – MOORE calls CRAIG

16:46 - BONNER is sitting on ground behind the black car in the driveway

16:47 – MOORE calls BONNER

16:52 - Ambulance arrives on the scene

17:09 – Male CPD officer exits the front door of 3171 Legion Ln.

17:21 M. BRYANT is pronounced dead at Mt. Carmel East

**Most of the times are approximate and based off the statements given by Shai-Onta CRAIG, Kennedy WATKINS, Jeniah BRYANT and Tionna BONNER, Ring Video Recordings and Call Detail Records.