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

2022-1782
Officer Involved Critical Incident -3295 Sullivant Avenue, Apt. H, Columbus OH 43204 (L)

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| **Investigative Activity:** | Interview with Officer |
| **Involves:** | Ofc. Jack Randall (W) |
| **Date of Activity:** | 08/30/2022 |
| **Activity Location:** | Scene - 3295 Sullivant Ave., Columbus, OH 43204, Franklin County |
| **Author:** | SAS Kevin Barbeau, #142 |

**Narrative:**

On Tuesday, August 30, 2022, the Columbus Division of Police (CPD) requested the Bureau Of Criminal Investigation to respond to 3295 Sullivant Ave., Apt. H, Columbus, Ohio, in order to investigate and Officer-Involved Critical Incident (shooting). Upon agents arrival it was learned CPD was serving an arrest warrant on a Black male, later identified as Donovan Lewis (Lewis), who resides at the listed location. CPD gained access to the apartment where they entered Lewis' bedroom. It was at this time there was interaction between an officer involved and Lewis, where a CPD officer discharged his firearm. Lewis was transported to a local hospital where he died.

Special Agent Supervisor Kevin Barbeau (SAS Barbeau) responded to the scene and interviewed CPD Officer Jack Randall (Ofc. Randall). The interview was conducted in a BCI state issued vehicle that was parked on the road at the scene of the event. Ofc. Randall was accompanied by his Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Attorney Nicole Wannamaker. The interview was audio recorded and is attached below. This should be reviewed for additional details.

The interview began at approximately 0730 hours. Ofc. Randall was advised the statement was voluntary, he was not required to talk to BCI, and he could have an attorney with him should he wish, which he did. It should be noted witnessing CPD officers on scene advised they preferred to watch their body worn cameras before providing agents with a statement.

Ofc. Randall identified the following CPD officers on scene during this incident:

- Ofc. Harry "Bryan" Dorsey
- Sergeant Chance Knox (newly promoted)
- K9 Ofc. Ricky Anderson
- Ofc. Justin Dodrill (badge #3007)

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Ofc. Randall was assigned to a two (2) officer cruiser along with Officer Dodrill. Their cruiser number was 82 and their call sign for this event was 4310. If marking on the radio they signify the difference in the officers as 4310a and 4310b. Ofc. Randall was wearing his uniform of the day with exterior ballistic vest including police insignia patches and gun/utility belt.

Ofc. Randall (badge #3187) explained CPD officers were working a "direct patrol" (proactive) detail when CPD officers arrived at the above address to work an arrest warrant. He advised they were working a arrest warrant on a male (Lewis) for domestic violence charges, assault charges, and a weapons charge. When they arrived they verified the warrant and approached the apartment and knocked, attempting to make contact. No one answered, but they could hear people inside talking; therefore, they continued to knock.

They heard a male voice inside and Ofc. Randall felt the occupants were "stalling." Once the door finally opened, two unidentified males were removed from the living space of the apartment and detained. During a pat down, one occupant was found to be in possession of a knife. Sergeant Chance Knox and Ofc. Harry Dorsey inquired of the males if anyone was remaining inside; however, they were not giving a straight answer leading CPD to believe there were more occupants inside.

Ofc. Randall advised a K9 was requested and arrived on scene. Before the K9 was deployed, Ofc. Randall said additional commands were announced then CPD officers entered the apartment. Ofc. Randall checked a closet within the living space of the apartment, where he heard "something" coming from an adjacent room, believed to be a bedroom where the K9 was alerting. Ofc. Randall turned his focus to another closet while officers were positioned on the bedroom door. In this position he heard a "pop" but was unable to determine if this was a taser, gunshot, or something else. Also, he added he was unable to see into the room due to his position/angle and his focus on the closet. Shortly thereafter, he determined this was indeed a shooting and he entered the bedroom to assist with medical care of Lewis. Lewis was eventually removed from the bedroom and taken outside to the ground level for the medics.

Ofc. Randell identified K9 Ofc. Anderson as the involved (shooting) officer. Ofc. Randall advised he did not discharge his firearm on this date at this event and was wearing a body worn camera that was recording.

Ofc. Randall advised he does not recall if he has dealt with Lewis before in a law enforcement capacity.

The interview was concluded at 0741 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: CPD Ofc Randall Audio Interview

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