



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



2021-1431
Officer Involved Critical Incident – Unknown, Kevin Richard Giesel
(S)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Barbee Thomas (W)
Date of Activity: 06/14/2021
Activity Location: Thomas, Barbee – Home – 5709 South Park Blvd, Parma, OH
44134-2740, Cuyahoga County
Author: SA Arvin E. Clar, #127

Narrative:

On June 14, 2021, at 0516 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Arvin Clar (Clar) and Parma Police Officer Nicholas Schuld (#587) conducted a recorded interview with Barbee Thomas (Thomas); Thomas resides at 5709 South Park Blvd., Parma, Ohio.

Thomas's residence is across the street from the residence of Kevin Giesel (Giesel); the subject that was involved in the officer-involved incident at 5714 South Park Blvd.

Thomas said she moved into the neighborhood a short time ago. Thomas also said she knew Giesel from across the street and had observed him on most occasions not being sober.

Thomas said that when the police arrived in the afternoon on June 13, they began to block the street and try to communicate with Giesel.

Thomas said that on Monday morning, at 0205 hours, when she heard shots being fired, she went into the bathroom for safety (bathroom located away from street). Thomas confirmed she did not see any of the shooting activity.

Thomas said she did not observe Giesel with weapons in the past. Thomas said that Giesel often spoke to her about having guns and referred to Giesel's conversations as "rambling and drunk."

The recorded interview, WS510214, has been attached to this report and placed in this file for further review.

SA Clar returned at approximately 0700 hours to Thomas's house at 5709 South Park Blvd.,

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accompanied by Crime Scene SA Justin Soroka (Soroka). In front of the house, underneath the northside second-floor bedroom window, a small hole was observed in the siding. Thomas said the hole was not there prior to the officer-involved incident at 5714 South Park Blvd. The hole was photographed by SA Soroka.

SA Clar examined the second-floor bedroom, where the external hole would have been located, and determined that no exit holes were observed in the wall.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01:WS510214