



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



2022-1734

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 27724 Zuck Road, Howard, Ohio
43028

Investigative Activity: Processing of Involved Deputy
Activity Date: August 22, 2022
Activity Location: Knox Community Hospital located at:
1330 Coshocton Ave., Mount Vernon, OH 43050 (*Scene 2*)
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Chad Holcomb, #61

On August 22, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Chad Holcomb was assigned to assist the Knox County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) with an officer involved critical incident. It was reported that the KCSO responded to a burglary in progress. Upon their arrival, deputies came in contact with a female, identified as Elizabeth Delano (Delano), who fired a gun at them. KCSO returned fire that struck Delano. Medical aid was provided and Delano was transported to the Knox Community Hospital where she later succumbed to her injuries. The deputy who discharged his firearm, Deputy Michael Collins was also taken to the hospital but was unharmed during the incident.

SA Holcomb arrived at the Knox Community Hospital at 2329 hours where he was taken to the room where the body of Delano was located. Her body was covered with a white sheet and her head was visible. With permission from the Knox County Coroner's Office, the white sheet was removed and her body was photographed. Delano was not wearing any clothing and had signs of medical intervention on her body. A suspected bullet hole was located on her left side near her left breast. SA Holcomb was informed by the hospital staff that Delano's clothing was placed in the trash can. A white bra with suspected blood were collected as item #1. A white tank top with suspected blood were collected as item #2. Blue leggings with suspected blood were collected as item #3.

SA Holcomb was taken to the room where Dep. Collins was located. SA Holcomb photographed the Deputy as he was upon arrival. Dep. Collins was wearing his agency issued uniform. A round count was performed on his Glock 17, Gen. 4, semi-automatic handgun with a serial number of [REDACTED] and all his magazines. No ammunition was missing. No items of evidentiary value were collected.

SA Holcomb cleared the hospital scene at 2350 hours.

On August 23, 2022 at 0250 hours, items #1-3 were released to SA Aja Chung.