



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



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1132 Ashwood Drive, South
Charleston, OH (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Rickey Joe Anderson (W)
Date of Activity: 07/24/2022
Activity Location: Anderson, Rickey Joe – Home – 1136 Ashwood Drive, South
Charleston, OH 45368, Clark County
Author: SA Ryan D. Scheiderer, #89

Narrative:

On July 24, 2022 at approximately 1751 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Ryan Scheiderer obtained a recorded statement from Rickey Anderson (Anderson) regarding the July 24, 2022 Officer-Involved Critical Incident between numerous law enforcement agencies in Clark County, Ohio, and the resident of 1132 Ashwood Drive, Cole White (White). As a result of the incident, Clark County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Deputy Matthew Yates (Deputy Yates) was fatally shot by White. White and his mother, Jodie Arbuckle (Arbuckle) were later found deceased inside White's residence after it had been consumed by fire. The following is a summation of the contact with Anderson and additional details can be found in the attached audio recording.

Anderson resides at 1136 Ashwood Drive. At approximately 1000-1030 hours, Anderson heard four (4) "shots" and a "big boom". Anderson exited his residence and was confronted by law enforcement who told him he needed to evacuate his residence. Anderson then left the area on foot and remained at the north end of the mobile home park. Anderson observed a "big truck" (described as a SWAT truck) pull up to White's residence and he heard announcements ordering whoever was inside the residence to exit. Anderson then heard two (2) "shots" followed by two (2) "shots back". The truck then "rammed" the residence. Anderson heard from someone in the neighborhood that there were two (2) "cops" held hostage inside White's residence. Anderson observed an officer leaving the area "wobbling" on one leg leading him to believe the officer had been shot in the leg. That officer was placed into a vehicle and removed from the area. After that, there were additional gunshots. Anderson observed four (4) officers approach White's residence with a shield and retrieve another officer. That officer was carried to a truck which left the area. Anderson thought he heard flashbangs being deployed and observed the odor of "tear gas" in the area. Anderson stated there was no doubt the deputies and officers on scene were law enforcement because of their dress and the emergency lights being activated on their vehicles.

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Anderson wasn't familiar with White. Anderson had observed White walking up and down the street in the past and described him as "strange". Anderson was unaware of any issues involving White. Anderson didn't have any additional information.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-07-24 / Rick Anderson Audio Interview

Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.