

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



Miami

2025-0559 Officer Involved Critical Incident - Township, Ohio (Montgomery Co.) (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Involves: Larry E Bowlin (W)

Date of Activity: 02/19/2025

Activity Location: - 9283 Sawgrass Drive, Miamisburg, OH 45342

Author: SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On February 19, 2025, at approximately 1711 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Special Agents Steven Seitzman and Kenneth Smith interviewed Larry Bowlin regarding his observations during the officer-involved critical incident that occurred on the same date in Miami Township, Montgomery County, Ohio. He stated that he is the maternal grandfather of the involved subject, Jayden Stephenson. The interview took place at 9283 Sawgrass Drive.

The details below summarize what the author believed to be the pertinent portions of the recorded interview and are not a verbatim account. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions. It is suggested that the full audio recording be reviewed.

Mr. Bowlin stated that he came to the residence to give his daughter, Christina Schindler, a gift. He said he got to the house shortly before the police arrived. As he was at the front door, he could tell that Jayden was agitated and "wasn't himself." He recalled Ms. Schindler saying, "Can you wait, dad?" At that point, he walked down the driveway toward his vehicle. He said he waited on the driveway and estimated that the officers arrived no more than five minutes later.

Mr. Bowlin recounted seeing at least four police officers. He saw three male officers and one female officers. He also remembered seeing one of the officers with a "long gun." He said the officers initially waited at the front door. He said he could hear the officers trying "to get him [Jayden] to calm down." He said the officers went in the house and sent everybody out. He said the officers closed the door, so he could not see any of the events that occurred inside the house. He said within ten minutes, he heard what sounded like two shots on the lower level of the house. He said there was a pause of approximately five to ten minutes, at which point he heard two additional shots. He said the last two shots sounded as if they occurred on the

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second story of the house.

Mr. Bowlin recalled several more police cars arriving after he heard the final shots. He also saw an ambulance arrive.

Mr. Bowlin stated that he was unaware of the domestic violence incident that occurred on Monday, February 17, 2025. He said the last time he recalled seeing Jayden was on Christmas Eve. He described his demeanor at that time as "happy go lucky." He said he may have seen Jayden one other time since then but was not able to recall.

The interview concluded at 1719 hours. The body-worn camera footage of the interview was labeled and stored on Axon Evidence.com.

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References:

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