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

2026-2933
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 5193 Robinhood Drive, Willoughby, Ohio 44094 Lake County (L)

Investigative Activity:	Involved Officer Interview
Involves:	[redacted] (S)
Activity Date:	08/19/2026
Activity Location:	Willough Police Department
	36700 Euclid Ave. Willoughby, OH 44094
Authoring Agent:	**SA Allison Fletcher**

Narrative:

On Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at 0952 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Allison Fletcher (Fletcher) and SA Darien Spann (Spann) conducted an interview with Willoughby Police Department (WPD) [redacted] who was accompanied by his attorney Dan Leffler from the Ohio Patrolman's Benevolent Association. The interview audio and video recorded, and the interview took place at the WPD.

[redacted] read, understood, and signed the BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not intend to contain all questions and answers from the interview. 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 recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the interview.

Preliminary and Demographic Information:

Name: [redacted]	**Rank:** [redacted]
Badge Number: [redacted]	**Cruiser/Vehicle Number:** [redacted]
Radio Call Sign: [redacted]	**Immediate Supervisor:** Lt. Kevin Rastall
Radio Channel Utilized: Main channel	**Mobile Data Terminal:** Present; Not Used
Cruiser Description: White Dodge Durango; Willoughby Police; lights and sirens	**Occupants of Cruiser and Seating Positions:** [redacted] – only occupant
Assignment: [redacted] – assist	**Normal Shift** [redacted]

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car	
In-Car Camera: Operational & Utilized	**Spotlight:** Present; Not utilized
Emergency Lights: Present; Not Utilized	**Siren:** Present; Not Used
Shift Day of Incident: [redacted]	**Duty Status:** On-Duty
Days Off: [redacted]	**Prior Overtime or Extra Details within Preceding 48 Hours:** No
Hours of Sleep Prior to Incident: 6-8	**Consider Self Well Rested:** Yes
Total Length as Officer: [redacted]	**Length at Current Agency:** [redacted]
Physical Disabilities (to include hearing aid): No	**Corrective Lenses:** No Corrective Lenses
Uniform Worn: Navy Blue uniform shirt and pants; outer carrier vest; duty belt	**Equipment and Less-Lethal Options Carried on Person/Belt/Vest:** Taser
Ballistic Vest: External Armor	**Body Worn Camera:** Not Present
Other Recording Devices: Body mic connected to dash cam	**Partner:** None
Injuries: None	**Equipment Damage:** None
Training or Areas of Specialty: DT instructor; SWAT; TFO US Marshals	**OPOTC Certification:** Cleveland Heights Police Academy
Military Experience/Training: None	**Use-of-Force Training:** Monthly DT and firearms; annual review of policy
Prior Shooting Incidents: None	**Prior Discipline or Use-of-Force Complaints:** None
Medications, Prescriptions, or Drugs that might Impair Your Duties at Time of Incident: None	**Medications, Prescriptions, or Drugs that might Impair You Now for Interview:** None

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Officer's Firearm(s):

Weapon #1

Make: Sig Sauer	**Model:** 320
Caliber/Gauge: 9 mm	**Serial:** Unknown
Type: Semi-Auto Handgun	**Method of Carry:** Duty belt with holster
Magazine Capacity: 21	**Total Rounds as Carried (including chamber):** 21+1
Extra Magazines: 2 additional	**Number of Rounds in Extra Magazines:** 17 rounds
Discharged During Incident? Yes	**Primary or Backup Weapon:** Primary
Rounds Remaining After Incident: 19	**Number of Rounds Fired:** 3
Right/Left-Handed Carry: Right-Handed	**Ownership:** Department Owned
Last Qualification Date: January 2026	**Type of Holster, if any:** Thumb brake

Prior to the interview, [redacted] had not watched any video related to the shooting incident. After the conclusion of the interview, [redacted] watched the cellphone video recording that was provided by [redacted]) who was the girlfriend of the involved subject, Jason Green (Green). After reviewing the video, [redacted] noted that [redacted] recorded the video from across the street from the shooting location; the point of view that the video provided was different than what he had experienced. He did not observe anything in the video recording that was different to his experience and perception of the incident.

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After obtaining preliminary and demographic information, [redacted] provided the following information related to the incident on July 31, 2026.

On Friday, July 31, 2026, at approximately 2130 hours, while working uniformed patrol, [redacted] was dispatched to the area of 5193 Robinhood Drive for a 911 hangup/disturbance. The exact location was unknown at the time, however, the ping on the 911 call returned to the area near 5193 Robinhood Drive.

As [redacted] was responding, dispatch provided call history at 5193 Robinhood Drive; however, he was unable to recall what information was provided.

[redacted] arrived in the area of 5193 Robinhood Drive at the same time as [redacted] Both officers parked their vehicles in the roadway nearby. He recalled It being dark outside, however, the area was illuminated by streetlights.

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After exiting his vehicle, [redacted] did not immediately observe anyone in the area requesting assistance. He began walking towards the backyard of 5193 Robinhood Drive while [redacted] went to the front door of the residence.

After [redacted] knocked on the front door, he was immediately greeted by [redacted] walked back towards the front of the house to assist [redacted] with speaking with [redacted].

[redacted] exited the residence and [redacted] began speaking with her in the front yard near the large picture window. The interior of the residence was well lit, and [redacted] observed Green sitting on the couch in the living room area holding a knife. [redacted] began speaking with Green while standing at the front door.

[redacted] showed [redacted] a video from the domestic incident that occurred prior to officers' arrival. In the video, Green held a knife against [redacted] throat while in the kitchen. Moments after watching the video, he observed Green getting up from the couch and begin walking towards the front door.

As Green exited the front door, [redacted] and [redacted] backed away from the house and stood in the front yard; [redacted] was also in the front yard near the large window. [redacted] drew his Taser and was holding it in a ready position.

Green sat down on the front stoop of the house while officers gave him commands to drop the knife. While sitting with the knife in his hand, Green began making comments and statements such as, "this isn't going to end good", "this is going to end badly", and "the only way I am leaving is in a body bag" [16:00].

Officers continued to try and speak with Green while he sat on the front porch. They also continued to give him commands to drop the knife. Meanwhile, [redacted] requested over the radio that additional cars respond to the house because he believed this was "going to be more of an incident than a typical domestic" [17:00].

Eventually, Green walked back into the house. [redacted] had notified officers that no one else was in the house. [redacted] was unsure what Green's intentions were.

A short time later, Green exited the front door with a second knife in his hand (one knife in each) and again, sat on the front stoop. [redacted] described the first knife was a smaller "flip style" knife while the second knife was much larger and appeared to be either a kitchen or hunting knife.

Officers continued to try and speak with Green and give him commands to drop the knives. He did not comply. Green eventually got up from the steps and began walking

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towards officers. Both officers began retreating backwards and maintained a "tactical L" position. [redacted] wanted to give Green some space and continue de-escalation tactics.

Green began walking directly at [redacted] who continued to back away into the front yard of 5201Robinhood Drive while continuously giving commands for Green to drop the knife. [redacted] still had his Taser in his hand and began giving Green warnings that he was going to deploy his Taser. Green continued to not comply with commands.

While Green was standing in the driveway of 5193 Robinhood Drive, [redacted] deployed his Taser while he was approximately 15-20 feet away from Green. It was "immediately apparent" that the Taser was not effective as Green began swiping at the probes and wires with his knife.

[redacted] prior training and experience with Taser deployments resulted in the subject "freezing", "falling to the ground" or having a moment where the subject loses control of their movements. That was not the case for Green.

At that time [redacted] holstered his Taser and drew his firearm. He pointed his gun at Green while Green continued to walk towards officers.

Officers continued to give Green commands to stop and drop the knives, however, Green did not respond. While walking backwards up a slight incline in the front yard of 5201 Robinhood Drive, [redacted] fired his gun 2-3 times while aiming center mass at Green.

Immediately following the shooting, officers held Green at gunpoint until the two knives could be cleared away from him. Medical aid was then provided to Green by officers on scene and EMS personnel who arrived a short time later.

During the entirety of the incident, Green was smoking marijuana and listening to loud music. Green refused to comply with commands given by officers and did not engage in any conversation; he appeared to be very intense and angry throughout the incident. Green continued to make statements about the evening "not ending well" while holding the knives. Based on those statements, [redacted] believed Green was going to "force the issue" and require officers to utilize force the end the threat.

Throughout the duration of the incident, [redacted] feared for his safety and the safety of others. This was especially true at the moment that he fired his gun.

[redacted] specifically described the moment when Green exited the house with a second knife in his hand. He stated, …"he wasn't going to comply… it was going to

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be, you know, going to get another weapon, a larger weapon kind of made me think that his mind was set on what was gonna happen" [26:46].

At the time that [redacted] fired his gun, he did not perceive any other option available to him, and he believed all other means of de-escalation and control had been exhausted.

[redacted] has responded to similar incidents in the past where the incident was resolved after speaking with both parties and sometimes resulting in an arrest.

[redacted] believed his actions were consistent with his training. He did not believe he had any other options available to him other than using deadly force. He had no prior knowledge or contact with the subject involved in the shooting incident.

The interview concluded at approximately 1038 hours.

The audio and video recording have been saved to Axon Justice as Reference Item L. The signed BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form is also attached to this report.

References:

Reference Item L – Officer Interviews – saved to Axon Justice

Attachments:

1. 2026-08-19 [redacted] Criminal Investigation Notification

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Criminal Investigation Notification

1. This investigation is being conducted in order to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated on the part of those involved in this incident. Specifically, to collect facts and information to be provided to the prosecutor and/or grand jury in order for them to determine whether the conduct involved is authorized or prohibited by criminal statutes.

2. Your participation in this interview is voluntary and you may decline to answer or cease the interview at any time. You are entitled to have an attorney present if you wish.

3. The criminal investigation is separate from any internal, administrative investigation which your employer may or may not be independently conducting. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. This is **not** a "Garrity" interview (where you could be required to answer).

[redacted]
Printed Name of Interviewee

8-19-2026/0948
Date / Time

[redacted]
Signature of Interviewee

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BCI Agent (Printed)

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