

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



2022-1251 Officer Involved Critical Incident -2280 Stelzer Road, Columbus, OH 43215 (L)

Date of Activity:

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Narrative:

On June 7, 2022, at 2225 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent David Wieging (SA Wieging) interviewed Douglas Miller (Miller) in the parking lot of the shopping plaza on the southeast corner of Stelzer and Agler Roads. The purpose of the interview with Miller was to obtain all relevant information regarding the activities that occurred on this date at 2280 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43219.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport 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 obtained 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.

According to Miller, he arrived at the shopping plaza around 1830/1845 hours. He walked inside the mini mart to get a drink. Inside the mini mart was another male, female and the clerk. Upon exiting the mini mart he observed the vehicle the involved party was driving. Miller said his car was parked by pump #2 of the Sunoco service station facing south. Miller also observed two undercover vehicles, which he claimed he can spot from a mile away, and thought to himself something was about to happen.

Upon entering his vehicle, he looked in his rearview mirror and in a matter of seconds he heard shots and then drove away and around to avoid being in any crossfire. Miller believed that the driver of the vehicle was the "suspect" and recalled that two males exited the front of the vehicle and two females exited the rear. Miller also said that the undercover officers got out of the vehicles and he (Miller) heard them say "Get down, get down, get down." at which time Miller then heard the shots.

Miller shared he heard "the guy" (presumed "suspect" or the other male passenger that was later on the ground) saying "I couldn't breath." and then they (presumed deputies) provided aid to the suspect down on the ground. According to Miller, several people arrived at the shopping plaza before the first marked cruiser arrived on scene. Miller heard approximately 8–10 shots. From Miller's vantage point, he witnessed the officer to the right (east) of the

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suspect vehicle shoot and believed the other officer to the west shot as well. Miller did not see the suspect shoot.

Additional commands the officers were saying- that Miller heard were "Get down," "Stay on the ground" and "Stay where you are at." Miller stated he later observed the Columbus Police Department, EMT, Mifflin and Clinton Township Police Departments and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office arrive on scene.

SA Wieging's interview with Miller ended at approximately 2236 hours.

A copy of the audio-recorded interview with Miller is attached to this report.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-06-07 Audio Interview with Douglas Miller

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