



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



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – 5760 US 62, Hillsboro, OH,
Highland County (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer
Involves: Richard Jean Poulin (S)
Date of Activity: 07/17/2021
Activity Location: – 5760 US 62, Hillsboro, OH 45133, Highland County
Author: SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On July 17, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by Highland County Sheriff Donald Barrera to investigate an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on US 62 near the Hillsboro Church of God (5760 US 62, Hillsboro, OH 45133). The OICI entailed Highland County Sheriff's Office Sergeant [REDACTED] firing a single, fatal shot at Richard Jean Poulin (Poulin) at the end of a vehicle pursuit.

On July 17, 2022, at 0450 hours, BCI Special Agent Steven Seitzman interviewed Ohio State Highway Patrol Trooper Kyle Asbury (Trooper Asbury) via telephone. SA Seitzman interviewed Trooper Asbury because he was informed by Hillsboro Police Officer Daniel Hopkins that Trooper Asbury arrived at the scene after the OICI to offer help. The interview was not recorded.

Trooper Asbury advised SA Seitzman that he was assigned to the Wilmington Post. He said he heard radio traffic regarding a pursuit in Highland County. He later heard that shots were fired. He arrived at the scene after the fact. He walked through the scene to see if his assistance was needed.

Trooper Asbury stated that he did not hear any law enforcement officers make any statements as to what had occurred. He said he overheard the medics say that the victim, Poulin, had a gunshot wound to the neck. He said he did not see Poulin because he was in the ambulance.

Trooper Asbury advised SA Seitzman that his body-worn camera was activated during his time at the scene. SA Seitzman later received the body-worn camera footage from Ohio State Highway Patrol Lieutenant Charles O'Bryon. A review of the body-worn camera footage will be detailed in a separate investigative report.

The interview was concluded at 0457 hours.

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