

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



2025-0883 Officer Involved Critical Incident - I-75 NB / Mile Marker 14, Evendale, Ohio (Hamilton County) (L)

Investigative Activity:	Interview with Officer
Involves:	Officer Andrew Schramm (W)
Date of Activity:	03/19/2025
Activity Location:	– IR 75 NB (MP 14), Evendale, OH
Author:	SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at approximately 0620 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Special Agent Steven Seitzman interviewed village of Evendale Police Officer Andrew Schramm. The interview took place at the scene in SA Seitzman's agency-issued vehicle. The interview was audio recorded.

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.

Officer Schramm was identified as being an officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the officer-involved critical incident that occurred on the same date in the area of Interstate Route 75 North near mile marker 14. Officer Schramm advised that he did not discharge his firearm. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information known or observed by Officer Schramm. He confirmed that he was providing his statement voluntarily.

Officer Schramm advised that he began his law enforcement career with the village of Evendale in 2021. He advised that he works from from from the village of Area a marked Evendale Police cruiser. He was wearing his department-issued uniform, which consisted of a jacket with village of Evendale shoulder patches, an external load-bearing ballistic vest, a police badge, and other proper markings. He considered himself well-represented as a police officer during the incident.

Regarding the incident, Officer Schramm stated the following:

Officer Schramm advised that Hamilton County Central dispatchers advised officers that there

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was an active pursuit out of West Chester Township in Butler County. He learned that the pursuit continued through Evendale, traveling south on Medallion Drive. Pursuing officers subsequently terminated the pursuit. He then observed the vehicle westbound on Glendale Milford Road near Evendale Drive without its headlights on. He lost sight of the vehicle after that point.

Officer Schramm advised that he had another call for service on Evendale Drive. He responded and cleared the call. At approximately 0300 hours, as he was departing the area, he located the vehicle involved in the earlier pursuit. He found the vehicle crashed into a guardrail on Evendale Drive near Glendale Milford Road. All vehicle doors were open, and it was unoccupied. He relayed his findings over the police radio.

Officer Schramm remained with the involved vehicle while other officers conducted a search of the surrounding area. He heard over the radio that officers apprehended a suspect. Approximately twenty minutes later, he heard radio traffic indicating that a Lockland police officer had located a subject walking on Interstate Route 75 North. Shortly thereafter, he heard four or five gunshots. He clarified that he did not hear all of the radio traffic leading up to the shots being fired because he was on a different radio channel.

Officer Schramm advised that after he learned what had occurred, he contacted the Evendale police chief to notify him of the situation. Officer Schramm subsequently relocated to the shooting scene. Upon his arrival, he observed medics working on the involved subject. Specifically, he saw medics utilizing a LUCAS device for chest compressions. He reported that he observed no signs of life.

SA Seitzman asked Officer Schramm if he saw any objects around the involved subject that influenced his assessment of the incident. He reported observing a TASER on the ground, as well as a "metal rod." SA Seitzman asked him, based on his experience and training, if the metal rod he saw would be an object capable of inflicting serious physical harm or worse. He confirmed that it could. While he was uncertain whether the metal rod was directly involved, he speculated that it was likely because it was positioned close to the involved subject.

The interview concluded at 0630 hours. The audio recording is attached to this investigative report.

References:

No references.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2025-03-19 Interview of Evendale Police Officer Andrew Schramm

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Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.