

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



2022-2608 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 28 North Paint St., Chillicothe (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Involves: Dep. Jacob Johansen (W)

Date of Activity: 11/17/2022

Activity Location: Ross County Sheriff's Office – Business – 28 North Paint Street,

Chillicothe, OH 45601, Ross County

Author: SA Andrew Russell

Narrative:

On Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 19:41 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Andrew Russell (SA Russell) interviewed Ross County Sheriff's Office (RCSO) Deputy (Dep.) Jacob Johansen (Johansen). The interview took place at 28 North Paint Street, Chillicothe, Ohio. The interview was audio recorded.

Johansen was identified as being a police officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the November 17, 2022 officer-involved shooting which occurred in the area of 28 North Paint Street, Chillicothe, Ohio. Reportedly, Johansen did not discharge a firearm during the course of the incident. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this officer.

Johansen stated his radio call sign on November 17, 2022, was 501. He has been employed by the Ross County Sheriff's Office for about 3 years. He has been a police officer for a total of 4 years.

Johansen stated that he was working at the substation and heard a strange call on the radio and unsure of the call. He requested additional information and learned Sergeant Kocheran had been shot in the parking lot of the law enforcement complex. Johansen advised he immediately responded to the complex. Johansen added, by the time he arrived, Kocheran was being transported by the ambulance, so he approached the unknown subject who had an obvious gunshot wound to the head. Johansen added the unknown subject was being treated by medics so he helped hold the scene until relieved. Johansen stated that he was unaware of any issues that Kocheran would have with anyone and that this event sounded like an ambush.

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The interview concluded at approximately 19:45 hours.

The interview was audio recorded. The audio recording was attached to this report. Please see the attachments for further details.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 22-11-17 Jacob Johansen Interview RCSO

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