



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



2022-1564  
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1132 Ashwood Drive, South  
Charleston, OH (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Interview with Officer  
**Involves:** Shane Davis (W)  
**Date of Activity:** 08/10/2022  
**Activity Location:** Davis, Shane – Business – 130 N Fountain Ave, Springfield, OH  
45502, Clark County  
**Author:** SA Kenneth J. Smith, #53

**Narrative:**

On July 24, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested to investigate an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that took place at 1132 Ashwood Drive, South Charleston, Clark County. During the OICI, Deputy Matthew Yates was shot and killed by the involved subject, Cole White. This occurred after White had killed his mother, Jodie Arbuckle. Multiple agencies and SWAT teams responded and attempted multiple rescue efforts of Deputy Yates. During the standoff the mobile home caught fire and White was killed in the fire.

On August 10, 2022 at 1208 hours, BCI Special Agents Richard Ward (SA Ward) and Kenneth Smith (SA Smith) interviewed Springfield Police Officer Shane Davis (Ofc. Davis) regarding his involvement in the OICI. The interview was conducted at an off-site Springfield Police SWAT facility.

The interview was recorded on a handheld digital recording device. The details below summarize 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 to clarify the content of the interview.

Ofc. Davis has been with the Springfield Police Department for 20 years. He has been a driver for the SWAT team for several years.

On July 24, 2022, he was off duty and on vacation and saw the callout. He was initially not going to respond until he saw second and third callout involving a deputy down. He called Sgt. James Byron and asked where he was needed and where the MRAPs were currently located. Sgt. Byron directed Ofc. Davis to the SWAT facility to pick up the other MRAP. Ofc. Davis stopped at home

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to grab his gear and was redirected to the scene by Sgt. Byron. He met up with Capt. Allison Elliott and was directed to the MRAP on scene. He got in the driver's seat with Ofc. Massie in the passenger seat. They were briefed on the plan by Sgt. Cody McFall. Ofc. Davis was advised to hit the awning on the front of the trailer and remain in position for extraction of the entry team.

The MRAP remained in that position until the trailer fire forced them to pull back for safety reasons.

Ofc. Davis did not exit the MRAP or discharge his firearm or any less lethal munitions.

The interview was concluded at 1213 hours.

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: 2022-08-10 / Det. Shane Davis audio interview

# **Exhibit 1**

**Included as a separate file.**