



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



2024-0590
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 500 N. Nelson Road,
Columbus, Ohio 43219

Investigative Activity: Review of Records
Involves: Christopher M Stone (W)
Date of Activity: 03/01/2024
Author: SA Kyle Douglass, #126

Narrative:

On February 22, 2024 at approximately 1316 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Kyle Douglass (SA Douglass) and Chad Holcomb (SA Holcomb) received written consent from Christopher Stone (Stone) to retrieve an audio recording from a cell phone device belonging to Stone. Stone provided information to BCI as a witness to an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which occurred on February 22, 2024, involving Columbus Division of Police (CPD) and Colin Jennings (Jennings) in the parking lot of 500 North Nelson Road in Columbus, OH. During the incident, a CPD officer discharged their firearm. Jennings was transported to Grant Medical Center with alleged gunshot wounds, where he was pronounced deceased.

Stone described the aforementioned device as an "internet phone" which he only uses on Wi-fi. Stone said there was an audio recording on his internet phone of a previous incident with Jennings allegedly making threats to kill himself. Stone agreed to provide the audio recording to BCI. SA Holcomb received the audio recording file via email, which was uploaded to the Evidence.com case management system.

On March 1, 2024, SA Douglass reviewed the audio file received from Stone. The following is a summation of the content of the file, specific details can be found in the actual audio recording.

The recording begins with Stone stating, "Sir, what are you doing with a knife?" A male voice, presumably Jennings, can be heard in the background saying, "I don't have a knife." Stone states on the recording Jennings has a knife with a serrated blade in his left hand. Stone continues to discuss the knife being in Jennings's possession during a previous encounter with law enforcement and Jennings later being transported to Grant Medical Center.

Jennings continues to deny having a knife. Stone tells Jennings to stop waving the knife at him, which Jennings also denies. Jennings accuses Stone of lying. Stone announces on the recording Jennings's full name, and discusses details of what he claims had happened prior to the audio recording. Stone states on February 4, 2024, Jennings was in possession of a knife during an

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encounter with law enforcement, which Jennings allegedly dropped on the floor. Stone also states Jennings is prescribed numerous psychiatric medications.

Stone says Jennings puts the knife in a drawer, then can be heard stating, "Step the fuck away from me." Stone then explains he is dialing 911. Jennings stated, "I didn't do anything." Stone repeatedly tells Jennings to step back. Stone voice searches his phone for the non-emergency phone number for CPD. Jennings says, "You're in my house, you're my partner." Stone states he is standing in a corner and continues to demand Jennings move away from him. Jennings replies, "You can leave."

Stone can be heard talking to Jennings about repeatedly lying and Stone tells Jennings he doesn't trust him or anything he says. Stone states for the recording on the previous night Jennings had been standing near Stone in a "threatening manner" and continued to "throw his hands" at Stone.

Jennings can be heard in the background asking Stone to leave, to which Stone responds, "Adult parole authority approved this as my legal residence, sir." Stone then states Jennings is calling 911, which Jennings denies.

Per the recording, Stone receives a call from a private number. The caller states, "We received a call from your phone, do you have an emergency?" Stone claims he was attempting to dial 411 and apologizes, and the call is ended.

Stone and Jennings can be heard arguing over the pronunciation of Jennings's first name. Jennings states, "Usually when you care about someone, like you said you care about me, you make an effort to learn their name."

The recording continues with Stone asking Jennings about the location of police reports and victim statements, which are apparently related to Stone somehow. The context of these statements is unknown at the time of reviewing this audio recording. Stone can be heard discussing "castle doctrine" and matters related to use of force and justified self defense. Stone tells Jennings he considers Jennings waving a knife at him to be a threat.

Stone can be heard telling Jennings he is a "dumbass" for his suicidal behavior, and describes instances of Jennings allegedly overdosing on his medications, drinking bleach, and throwing himself in front of a moving bus. Jennings is heard saying he refuses to go back to the hospital for his behavior.

The recording continues with Stone verbally arguing with Jennings and discussing other various unrelated matters. Some of Jennings's statements in the background are difficult to understand. Stone can be heard telling Jennings his intelligence quotient (IQ) score would be "70 at best" to which Jennings responds, "I can read and I can write." Stone states, "Yeah that means what?" Stone tells Jennings he knows other people who can also read and write who Stone describes as "dumber than a box of rocks."

There is a long period of silence without conversation in the recording for approximately one hour and twenty-nine minutes (1:29), and the recording ends after approximately one hour and fifty-two minutes (1:52).

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Attachments:

Attachment # 01: BCI Consent to Search – Christopher Stone

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CONSENT TO SEARCH



Date & Time 2/22/24 1:15p
Location 500 N. Nelson Rd, Columbus OH

I, Christopher Stone, having been informed of the constitutional right not to have a search made of the premises, property, or items hereinafter mentioned without a search warrant (and of my right to refuse to consent to such a search), hereby authorize

Ohio BCI

- premises, and all curtilage
- any vehicles
- personal property, to wit: _____
- computer, cellular telephone, or electronic device, (including data acquisition, copying, and analysis), to wit: _____

located at 500 N. Nelson Rd, Columbus OH

These above-named officers/agents are authorized by me to take from my premises, curtilage, vehicles, property, computer, cellular telephone, or electronic device (as specified above) any letters, papers, materials, data, or other property which they desire. I state that I am a person who is authorized to give consent for the search of the above mentioned property.

This written permission is being given by me to the above-named officers/agents voluntarily, of my own free will, without threats or promises of any kind, I am not under the influence of drugs or alcohol that prevent me from understand this document, and I understand this document and the English language.

Chris Stone 2-22-2024 1316 JHRS
Signature Date/Time

Christopher M. Stone
Printed Name