



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



2026-2171

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 9093 Zinnia Court, Apt  
1209, West Chester, Ohio 45069 (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Involved officer interview  
**Involves:** [REDACTED]  
**Activity Date:** 06/10/2026  
**Activity Location:** West Chester Police Department – 9577 Beckett Road,  
Suite 500, West Chester, Ohio 45069  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Joshua T. Welty, # 173

**Narrative:**

On Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 1052 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joshua Welty (SA Welty) and SA Kevin Barkley (SA Barkley) interviewed West Chester Police Department (WCPD) [REDACTED] who was accompanied by his attorney, Stew Mathews. The interview took place at 9577 Beckett Road, Suite 500, West Chester, Ohio 45069 (West Chester Police Department). The interview was audio recorded.

[REDACTED] read, understood, and signed the BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the interview. 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 recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the interview.

**Preliminary and Demographic Information:**

|                                                                                              |                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Name:</b> [REDACTED]                                                                      | <b>Rank:</b> [REDACTED]                             |
| <b>Badge Number:</b> [REDACTED]                                                              | <b>Cruiser/Vehicle Number:</b> [REDACTED]           |
| <b>Radio Call Sign:</b> [REDACTED]                                                           | <b>Immediate Supervisor:</b> Lieutenant Doug Farris |
| <b>Radio Channel Utilized:</b> Primary Channel, some information was received on channel two | <b>Mobile Data Terminal:</b> Present & Utilized     |
| <b>Cruiser Description:</b> WCPD Marked                                                      | <b>Occupants of Cruiser and Seating</b>             |

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| <b>Cruiser</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>Positions:</b> ████████ - Driver                                                                                                    |
| <b>Assignment:</b> ████████                                                                                                                | <b>Normal Shift:</b> ████████                                                                                                          |
| <b>In-Car Camera:</b> Not Present                                                                                                          | <b>Spotlight:</b> Present; Not utilized                                                                                                |
| <b>Emergency Lights:</b> Present & Utilized                                                                                                | <b>Siren:</b> Present; Not Used                                                                                                        |
| <b>Shift Day of Incident:</b> ████████                                                                                                     | <b>Duty Status:</b> On-Duty                                                                                                            |
| <b>Days Off:</b> ████████████████                                                                                                          | <b>Prior Overtime or Extra Details within Preceding 48 Hours:</b> Yes                                                                  |
| <b>Hours of Sleep Prior to Incident:</b> 4                                                                                                 | <b>Consider Self Well Rested:</b> Yes                                                                                                  |
| <b>Total Length as Officer:</b> Peace Officer Certificate received ████████                                                                | <b>Length at Current Agency:</b> Started with WCPD on ████████                                                                         |
| <b>Physical Disabilities (to include hearing aid):</b> None                                                                                | <b>Corrective Lenses:</b> No Corrective Lenses                                                                                         |
| <b>Uniform Worn:</b> Standard WCPD uniform, with badge and patches                                                                         | <b>Equipment and Less-Lethal Options Carried on Person/Belt/Vest:</b> OC/CS, Radio, Flashlight, Extra Magazines, Handcuffs, Tourniquet |
| <b>Ballistic Vest:</b> External Armor                                                                                                      | <b>Body Worn Camera:</b> Present & Used                                                                                                |
| <b>Other Recording Devices:</b> None                                                                                                       | <b>Partner:</b> None                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Injuries:</b> None                                                                                                                      | <b>Equipment Damage:</b> None                                                                                                          |
| <b>Training or Areas of Specialty:</b> SWAT ████████<br>██████ Subject Control Instructor, ASP Instructor, Gracie Survival Tactics Level 1 | <b>OPOTC Certification:</b> Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy ████████: Certificate date of ████████                                   |
| <b>Military Experience/Training:</b> None                                                                                                  | <b>Use-of-Force Training:</b> May 2026 - Subject Control                                                                               |
| <b>Prior Shooting Incidents:</b> None                                                                                                      | <b>Prior Discipline or Use-of-Force Complaints:</b> None                                                                               |
| <b>Medications, Prescriptions, or Drugs that might Impair Your Duties at Time of Incident:</b> None                                        | <b>Medications, Prescriptions, or Drugs that might Impair You Now for Interview:</b> None                                              |
| <b>Alcohol in Past 24 Hours?</b> None                                                                                                      | <b>Last Consumed Alcohol Prior to Incident:</b> N/A                                                                                    |

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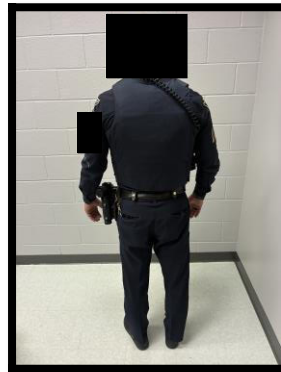
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**Officer's Uniform**



**Officer's Firearm(s):**

Weapon #1

|                                                   |                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Make:</b> Sig Sauer                            | <b>Model:</b> P320                                     |
| <b>Caliber/Gauge:</b> 9 mm                        | <b>Serial:</b> [REDACTED]                              |
| <b>Type:</b> Semi-Auto Handgun                    | <b>Method of Carry:</b> Duty belt                      |
| <b>Magazine Capacity:</b> 17                      | <b>Total Rounds as Carried (including chamber):</b> 18 |
| <b>Extra Magazines:</b> 2                         | <b>Number of Rounds in Extra Magazines:</b> 34         |
| <b>Discharged During Incident?</b> Yes            | <b>Primary or Backup Weapon:</b> Primary               |
| <b>Rounds Remaining After Incident:</b> 17        | <b>Number of Rounds Fired:</b> 1                       |
| <b>Right/Left-Handed Carry:</b> Right-Handed      | <b>Ownership:</b> Department Owned                     |
| <b>Last Qualification Date:</b> November 27, 2025 | <b>Type of Holster, if any:</b> Retention              |

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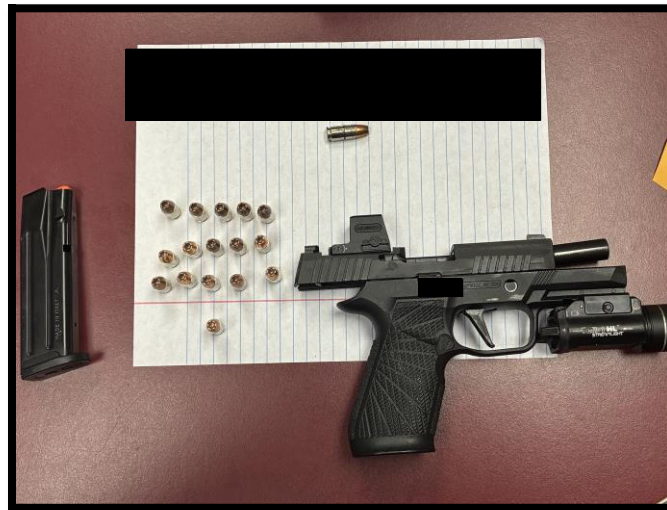


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**Narrative:**

██████████ was at the West Chester Police Department when officers were dispatched after a neighbor called to report a female being thrown down the stairs and violently assaulted. After the initial dispatch, ██████████ recalled Sgt. Parrett arriving at the call location, along with two other officers, and described Sgt. Parrett as being actively involved in the call. ██████████ explained that Sgt. Parrett had indicated he was communicating with Lorenzo Miller (Miller) through the door. Realizing this, ██████████ responded to the call with the thought he would have to act as the scene supervisor.

While en route to Zinnia Court, ██████████ pulled off alongside the roadway to utilize his mobile data terminal (MDT), in an attempt to locate a phone number for Tiffany Barnes (Barnes). ██████████ wanted to speak with Barnes to gather more information and determine if they did in fact have a crime, and what the situation was leading to. ██████████ placed a phone call to Barnes but received no answer. He left a voicemail message and subsequently sent a text message.

██████████ recalled the dispatcher advising that the caller reported the male at apartment 1209 is on parole, as they have seen his parole officer at the apartment. ██████████ also recalled information being relayed over channel 2 from the dispatcher regarding Miller. He remembers the dispatcher advising if it did involve the individual [Miller] on parole, that he has an extremely violent history, including murder and weapons charges.

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Upon [REDACTED] arrival on Zinnia Court, he observed Sgt. Parrett speaking to Miller through the door, accompanied by Officers Musgrove and Marling. He could not hear the dialogue between Sgt. Parrett and Miller; however, [REDACTED] was told by Sgt. Parrett he believed they had exigency. [REDACTED] retrieved a door ram and 40-millimeter launcher from his patrol vehicle and placed them near the door of apartment 1209.

After returning with the equipment, [REDACTED] explained that Sgt. Parrett was speaking with Barnes on the phone. He was unaware of the conversation; however, he asked Sgt. Parrett to ask Barnes if she was free to leave and she replied, "no, I'm okay." He then had Sgt. Parrett ask if Barnes wanted them to come in and she replied, "yes, I'm okay." [REDACTED] shared that after receiving these responses from Barnes, coupled with the information received from the 911 caller, he "realized that she was being held against her will," and he "believed that she was in imminent danger of, um, serious bodily injury."

[REDACTED] then began forming an emergency action plan to make entry into the residence. He called for additional resources including a canine and requested a medic be placed on standby. [REDACTED] requested a medic be on standby in the event someone would be injured because he believed it would be a dynamic incident. [REDACTED] requested the canine on scene because the presence of the canine can sometimes gain compliance with individuals.

[REDACTED] assigned the 40-millimeter less lethal launcher to Ofc. Marlin. He hoped even though the incident would be dynamic, that there would be time for separation and a pause, allowing them the opportunity to slow things down to deescalate, and communicate. [REDACTED] then assigned the door ram to Ofc. Musgrove.

[REDACTED] recalled the phone call with Barnes disconnecting and Sgt. Parrett receiving a phone call from Miller on a different number. He requested that Sgt. Parrett keep Miller on the phone, to allow time for additional resources to arrive at the scene. SA Welty asked [REDACTED] if he had seen either Miller or Barnes, to which he indicated he had not seen either Barnes or Miller.

He then explained while preparing to make entry into the residence, Sgt. Parrett received a text message from Barnes stating, "Help." This caused [REDACTED] to realize Barnes was in imminent danger and they needed to make entry. They made entry through the door using the door ram. [REDACTED] drew his firearm and began issuing commands. He described the commands to be "police department, come to the top of the stairs." [REDACTED] heard what he describes as "rustling" at the top right of the

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stairs. He observed the top of the stairs to have a solid half wall. They procced up the stairs and began clearing the house. The first area they arrived in was the kitchen and to [REDACTED] left were several doors and a dark area beyond that. While making their way, [REDACTED] heard a female's voice and then began making his way towards her voice.

[REDACTED] recalls Sgt. Parrett making his way up the stairway behind him and he followed. Once at the top of the stairs, [REDACTED] observed a closet straight ahead and off to the right. He remembers Sgt. Parrett saying, "hands, hands, I need hands," and pushing on a door. [REDACTED] recalls Miller stating, "don't push it, I have a knife to her neck." He explained that Sgt. Parrett backed away from the door. He observed Barnes through the crack of the door and noticed the door had movement and believed no pressure was being applied to the door. He also observed the door to have a large hole near the bottom and could see their feet.

[REDACTED] believed based upon the statements of Miller that Barnes was in immediate danger and they needed to intervene. [REDACTED] begins entering the bathroom. As he begins turning the corner of the door, [REDACTED] observes Miller's arms around Barnes' neck. He specifically recalls Miller's left arm being around Barnes' neck and his right arm parallel to the ground. [REDACTED] describes this to be "a universal hostage position," "he was using her body to shield his." He explained that based on his training and experience with Jujitsu, which includes voluntarily choking people, Miller had a very effective chokehold on Barnes.

[REDACTED] states he engaged Miller, firing one (1) round from his service weapon. He observed Miller drop and Barnes instantly leaving the room. [REDACTED] recalls seeing something on Miller's forehead but unsure if it was brain matter. He remembered seeing a silver kitchen knife and explained it appeared as if it was under a microscope and the image was very clear. [REDACTED] then exited the apartment.

SA Welty asked [REDACTED] if he the opportunity to give any warnings prior to using his weapon, to which he stated "no." [REDACTED] was asked whether at the time of the shooting, did he perceive any other option other than use of deadly force, to which he stated "no." [REDACTED] was asked if he feared for his safety or the safety of others during this incident, to which he replied "hers, unquestionably."

[REDACTED] believes his actions and the actions of other officers were consistent with training. [REDACTED] has had no prior contact, whether personal or professional, with Miller.

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The interview concluded at approximately 1124 hours.

The interview was audio recorded. The audio recording was uploaded to Axon (evidence.com). The signed BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form is attached to this report. Please see the attachment and reference for further details.

**References:**

Reference Item A: 2026-06-10: [REDACTED] - Interview.MP3

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: CIN - [REDACTED]

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**Criminal Investigation Notification**

1. This investigation is being conducted in order to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated on the part of those involved in this incident. Specifically, to collect facts and information to be provided to the prosecutor and/or grand jury in order for them to determine whether the conduct involved is authorized or prohibited by criminal statutes.
2. Your participation in this interview is voluntary and you may decline to answer or cease the interview at any time. You are entitled to have an attorney present if you wish.
3. The criminal investigation is separate from any internal, administrative investigation which your employer may or may not be independently conducting. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. This is not a "Garrity" interview (where you could be required to answer).

[Redacted]  
Printed Name of Interviewee

6/10/26 1052  
Date / Time

[Redacted]  
Signature of Interviewee

Agent J. L. White  
BCI Agent (Printed)

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