

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



2022-0498 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 34 E. Fulton Ave., Columbus 43215 (L)

Investigative Activity:	Interview with Officer
Involves:	Deputy Michael Gross (W)
Date of Activity:	03/07/2022
Activity Location:	Franklin County Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau – 410 South High Street, Floor 3, Columbus, OH 43215, Franklin County
Author:	SA James Poole

## Narrative:

On Monday, March 7, 2022, Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was contacted by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office in regard to an Officer–Involved Critical Incident situation that occurred at a downtown multi–level parking garage located at 34 E. Fulton Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43215. This event occurred on the seventh floor of the structure. BCI was informed there was some sort of altercation between two (2) males and a female. When law enforcement observed the situation, they attempted to intervene. A physical altercation ensued between one of the males and law enforcement. During the altercation a firearm was discharged and the male was struck in the head and transported to Grant Hospital in critical condition. BCI was requested by the FCSO to investigate the situation.

BCI Special Agent James Poole (SA Poole) was assigned to interview potential FCSO witness deputies.

These interviews were audio recorded and a copy of the recording was saved electronically within the case file. Please refer to the recording for specific quotes. The following is a summation of the interview.

On March 7, 2022, at 1352 hours, SA Poole interviewed Deputy Michael Gross (Deputy Gross) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Franklin County Sherriff's Office. Deputy Gross stated he was on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Franklin County Deputies Office when he heard an officer in trouble over the radio. When they gave the address of 34 E Fulton, Deputy Gross realized it was the parking garage behind where he was. Deputy Gross remembered running out with all the other deputies in the office out to the parking garage.

When they arrived on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor of the parking garage Deputy Gross remembered seeing a female with apparent injuries to her face, a male consoling her, and a male laying on the ground

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not moving. Deputy Gross stated he saw Deputy giving medical aid to the wounds on the male laying on the ground.

Deputy Gross stated he aired for a medic to arrive. He also remembered helping get the involved deputies into the sheriff's building and helped set up the scene tape.

SA Poole asked if he saw who shot or how the male received his injuries. Deputy Gross said, "No." He showed up after the fact.

The interview ended at 1356 hours.

## Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022–03–07 Deputy Michael Gross interview

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