



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



2025-1603
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 4482 Hampton Woods
Ct., Columbus, Ohio 43230 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer
Involves: Sgt. Scott Bray #450
Activity Date: 05/20/2025
Activity Location: CPD SWAT Headquarters
Authoring Agent: SA Matthew Collins, #151

Narrative:

On Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 0416 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Matt Collins (SA Collins) interviewed Columbus Division of Police (CPD) Sergeant (Sgt.) Scott Bray (Sgt. Bray). The interview took place at the CPD SWAT Headquarters. The interview was audio recorded.

Sgt. Scott Bray was identified as being a police officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the May 19, 2025 officer-involved shooting which occurred in the area of 4482 Hampton Woods, Ohio. Reportedly, Sgt. Bray 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.

Sgt. Bray stated his radio call sign on May 19, 2025, was 540. He has been employed by the CPD for about thirty-five years (35yrs). He has been a police officer for a total of thirty-five years (35 yrs.). During the incident, Sgt. Bray wore his standard CPD SWAT uniform with a metal police badge affixed to it. He also wore an external ballistic vest and duty belt. He drove a CPD unmarked black Kia van. Sgt. Bray stated his BWC and helmet cams were activated.

Sgt. Bray stated he was at the office when dispatch requested his team to respond to the scene due to patrol having been shot at. While en route Sgt. Bray heard via radio that additional shots had been fired at the officers.

When Sgt. Bray arrived, he witnessed the "BearCats" or armored SWAT vehicles parked close to the front of the residence. Sgt. Bray stated he understood there was active communication with the subject via phone. Sgt. Bray was advised the subject was yelling while on the phone. Sgt. Bray stated he witnessed the subject come to the front door multiple times. Sgt. Bray stated he heard officers advise the subject had a gun. However, from Sgt. Bray's vantage point he could not see the subject's hands.

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Sgt. Bray stated he was assigned to lead the entry team so he positioned himself to the "#2 side" of the structure (left of the front door). So from this point on, Sgt. Bray only could hear radio traffic related to the actions of the subject. Specifically, the subject was threatening to kill the female and himself. Sgt. Bray stated he did hear a gunshot coming from inside the residence. Then he heard radio traffic indicating another shot fired by the subject may have traveled between the two "BearCats" and struck a building behind.

Sgt. Bray again could not see due to his vantage point, but he heard officers say the subject was coming out. Officers continued describing the subject to be armed with a gun in his hand. Sgt. Bray stated officers discharged their firearms. He stated the female came running out with blood on her. She stated she was not injured, the subject was down, just inside the doorway.

Sgt. Bray and his team went inside and cleared the residence. Sgt. Bray stated there was a black semi-automatic handgun lying next to the subject. Sgt. Bray said he kicked the gun away so a medics could treat the subject for his injury/s. Sgt. Bray stated he attempted to make sure this action was recorded by his BWC the best he could.

The interview concluded at approximately 0427 hours.

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

References:

None

Attachments:

2025.05.20 Sgt. Scott Bray Interview_Audio

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