



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



2023-2232

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 5991 S Sunbury Rd, Westerville
OH 43081

Investigative Activity: Telephone Interview
Involves: Suzanne R Jennings (W)
Date of Activity: 10/18/2023
Author: SA Kyle Douglass, #126

Narrative:

On October 18, 2023 at approximately 1322 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Kyle Douglass (SA Douglass) conducted a voluntary telephone interview of Suzanne Jennings (Jennings). The purpose of the interview was to obtain additional information regarding an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which occurred on August 24, 2023, at 5991 South Sunbury Road, Westerville, OH (Kroger). The incident involved officers from the Blendon Township Police Department (BTPD) and a female later identified as Ta'kiya Young (Young). Jennings was identified as a potential witness of the incident.

The conversation was audio recorded and a copy of the recording was saved electronically within the case file. Please refer to the attached audio for complete details. The following is a summation of Jennings's interview.

Jennings explained she was inside the Kroger store when the incident occurred. Jennings did not see or hear anything while she was inside the store indicative of the OICI in the parking lot. When she exited the store, Jennings saw numerous law enforcement responders on scene collecting information from bystanders. Jennings described a vehicle which she believed may have been Young's vehicle, had been parked in one of the front handicapped spaces when Jennings entered the store, but that parking space was empty when Jennings exited the store. Jennings estimated she may have entered the store a few minutes before the incident occurred.

Jennings explained she exited the store through the entrance at the far side of the store, away from where the incident had occurred. Jennings reported her vehicle was inside the crime scene tape when she exited the store and waited there to be released by law enforcement. Jennings provided photos of her vehicle location in proximity to the incident via text message.

Jennings recalled giving her name and contact information as well as a brief statement to a law enforcement officer on scene before she departed.

Interview concluded at approximately 1334 hours.

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Approved By SA James A. Mulford on
11/07/2023

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Suzanne Jennings Interview 10.18.23

Attachment # 02: Suzanne Jennings IMG_1891

Attachment # 03: Suzanne Jennings IMG_1888

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