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Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1818 Jisco West Rd, Jackson,  
OH 45640 (L)

**Date of Activity:** 01/31/2023  
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**Narrative:**

On January 31, 2023, at approximately 1700 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent David Wieging (SA Wieging) interviewed Paul Swain (Swain) and Stephenie Fiorini (Fiorini) at Fiorini's residence located at 1734 Jisco West Road, Jackson, Ohio, 45640. Swain and Fiorini are cousins and Swain's residence, which does not have an address, is located on Fiorini's property. The purpose of the interview with Swain and Fiorini was to obtain all relevant information regarding the activities that occurred on this date at 1818 Jisco West Road, Jackson.

It was reported that the Jackson County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) responded to a trespassing complaint when they encountered William Beach. Beach barricaded himself into a residence and following unsuccessful negotiations, deputies of the JCSO entered the residence where they were met by Beach, yielding a firearm and axe/hatchet. Lieutenant [REDACTED] discharged his firearm striking Beach. Beach was transported to the local hospital where he died of his injuries.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be the most relevant 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 obtained 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.

Swain was having coffee with Fiorini in the morning when the dogs were barking at a White male walking on the road west of Fiorini's residence and toward where her daughter and son-in-law reside next door. Fiorini stepped outside to retrieve her mail and observed this unknown male looking back in her direction repeatedly. Swain had gone back to his residence to play his video games when he subsequently heard Fiorina screaming telling the unknown male to move on as he was walking behind Fiorini's residence. Swain said he got up and grabbed his shotgun. Fiorini said to Swain the unknown male was walking behind his residence. Swain opined this male was "frantic." He said he ratcheted his shotgun and told this male to "get the hell out of here." Swain related this male then made his way up through the marsh and to the neighboring property to the east of his cabin.

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Swain related Fiorini's daughter, subsequently identified as Shalee Fiorini, had called the police to communicate to them there was a trespasser. Swain related they remained outside and kept an eye on this male until authorities arrived, at which time they went inside Fiorini's residence. Swain said they kept looking out the window to watch what was going on. Swain thought everything was going to calm down but he subsequently saw an officer step back and raise an automatic rifle at which time he then heard a shot. This was the only shot they heard. Swain and Fiorini were uncertain if there was any negotiation between law enforcement and the unknown male as they could not hear anything from inside Fiorini's residence.

According to Swain, the first deputies to arrive on scene knew who the unknown male was and shared that he was on probation and reportedly had some mental issues. This was their only contact with authorities. Swain and Fiorini mentioned that they did not speak to anyone else about what they witnessed. Swain and Fiorini did not know if the unknown male had any weapons on him. Fiorini shared that they first witnessed the unknown male between 1000 and 1100 hours.

SA Wieging's interview with Swain and Fiorini ended at approximately 1723 hours. A copy of the audio-recorded interview with Swain and Fiorini is attached to this report.

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: Audio Interview with Paul Swain and Stephenie Fiorini 1.31.2023