

## **Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation**

**Investigative Report** 

2021-0888

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 500 South Cleveland Ave.,

Westerville, Ohio 43081 (L)



Investigative Activity: Documentation of Officers and Firearms (Scene #2)

Activity Date: April 12, 2021

500 S. Cleveland Ave., Westerville, OH – St. Ann's Hospital Activity Location:

6800 Schrock Hill Court, Columbus, OH – FOP Lodge 9

Authoring Agent: Special Agent Aja Chung, #86

On Monday, April 12th, 2021, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Chad Holcomb and SA Aja Chung were assigned to assist the Columbus Police Department (CPD) and St. Ann's Hospital Security Staff with an officer involved critical incident. SA Chung photographed and collected firearms that were discharged by CPD officers and St. Ann's Hospital security staff; and clothing/uniform worn by officers at the scene.

At 1552 hours, SA Chung photographed four Westerville Police officers in the parking lot at St. Ann's Hospital. Those four officers returned to the Westerville Police Department (WPD) to change out of their uniforms that had blood on them. SA Chung received the following items from WPD Sergeant Jesse Hibbitt:

| Item | Officer          | Description  |  |  |
|------|------------------|--|--|--|
| 9    | Ofc. S. Grubbs   | Pair of boots and uniform pants                                      |  |  |
| 10   | Ofc. B. Gavaghan | Uniform shirt and pants  |  |  |
| 11   | Ofc. A. Dickison | Uniform shirt, pants, pair of boots, baseball cap, and 1 belt keeper |  |  |
| 12   | Ofc. T. Ryan     | Uniform shirt, pants and pair of boots                               |  |  |

It should be noted, all WPD clothing items were packaged as individual items. SA Chung removed the items from their original packaging and packaged each WPD officer's clothing together as listed above.

SA Chung photographed the following St. Ann's security staff as they were upon arrival inside conference room B. The following firearms were collected:

| Item | Name | Firearm make &                 | Caliber | Serial | Cartridge and                      |
|------|------|--------------------------------|---------|--------|------------------------------------|
|      |      | model                          |         | Number | Magazine                           |
| 4    |      | Smith and Wesson,<br>M&P9, 2.0 | 9mm     |        | 6 cartridges from magazine         |
|      |      |                                |         |        | (capacity of 17) in the pistol and |
|      |      |                                |         |        | 1 cartridge from chamber           |
| 5    |      | Smith and Wesson,<br>M&P9, 2.0 | 9mm     |        | 12 cartridges from magazine        |
|      |      |                                |         |        | (capacity of 17) in the pistol and |
|      |      |                                |         |        | 1 cartridge in the chamber         |

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| 6 | Smith and Wesson,<br>M&P9, 2.0 | 9mm | 9 cartridges from magazine<br>(capacity of 17) in the pistol and<br>1 cartridge from chamber    |
|---|--------------------------------|-----|---|
| 7 | Smith and Wesson,<br>M&P9, 2.0 | 9mm | 12 cartridges from magazine<br>(capacity of 17) in the pistol and<br>1 cartridge in the chamber |

SA Chung collected the pants and shirt (Item #8) with blood on them, worn by Dustin Hartman, hospital clinical manager, who administered first aid after the incident.

It was relayed to SA Chung that St. Ann's security staff, S. Miller, P. Blackburn and L. Smith were present at the incident but did not fire their weapons. They were photographed for documentation.

The following items were collected from CPD officers located at FOP Lodge 9, 6800 Schrock Hill Court, Columbus, Ohio.

| Item | Name           | Firearm make &                 | Caliber | Serial | Cartridge and                  |
|------|----------------|--------------------------------|---------|--------|--------------------------------|
|      |                | model                          |         | Number | Magazine                       |
| 1    | Ofc. Krichbaum | Smith and Wesson,<br>M&P9 2.0  | 9mm     |        | 15 cartridges from magazine    |
|      |                |                                |         |        | (capacity of 17) in the pistol |
|      |                |                                |         |        | and 1 cartridge from chamber   |
| 2    | Ofc. Howe      | Smith and Wesson,<br>M&P9, 2.0 | 9mm     |        | 15 cartridges from magazine    |
|      |                |                                |         |        | (capacity of 17) in the pistol |
|      |                |                                |         |        | and 1 cartridge from chamber   |

All CPD officers were photographed as they were upon SA Chung's arrival. CPD Officer Howe's uniform shirt and under shirt had suspected bullet holes on the left arm sleeve. The shirts were packaged together as item 3. CPD Officer D. Houseberg deployed her taser, which was still at the hospital.

SA Chung completed her collection of evidence and turned all 12 items over to SA Holcomb on April 13, 2021 at 0330 hours.

SA Holcomb placed all items in the BCI temporary evidence locker #2 at 0333 hours to be submitted to the BCI evidence vault.

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