



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



2025-0596

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 236 McKinley Ave, Piqua, OH  
(Miami County) (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Interview with Witness  
**Involves:** Duane West (W)  
**Date of Activity:** 03/04/2025  
**Author:** SA David Hornyak, #112

**Narrative:**

On March 4, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Dave Hornyak received notification from the Miami County Prosecutor's Office that Duane West would like to speak with the lead BCI investigator relative to the officer-involved critical incident that occurred on February 21, 2025, at 236 McKinley Avenue, Piqua, Ohio. At approximately 0903 hours, SA Hornyak called Mr. West as requested.

The call was recorded on a handheld digital recording device. This report is a summary only. The entire phone call can be reviewed on the recording.

Mr. West said his son David, who was killed during the critical incident, had been in two previous physical altercations with Lt. Marcos Rodriguez of the Piqua Police Department (PPD), and speculated that Lt. Rodriguez may have purposefully killed David when responding to the West's residence on February 21, 2025. Mr. West questioned why the police did not call a counselor instead of attempting to remove David from the basement that evening. He also questioned the need for lethal force. Mr. West went on to specify how David had significant mental health issues and further stated that one of the previous encounters mentioned involved David slipping his handcuffs after a physical altercation with Lt. Rodriguez.

In response to questions from the investigator, Mr. West acknowledged that he was not personally present at either of the alleged previous incidents between Lt. Rodriguez and David and that he only knew of them from David. Mr. West acknowledged that he and his wife could have called a counselor themselves on February 21, 2025, but called police due to feeling under threat from David. When SA Hornyak reminded Mr. West that he and his wife had previously told investigators that David had rage in his eyes on the night of the incident, and that David was "a monster" when drinking, Mr. West acknowledged this was true, but now said that Lt. Rodriguez had rage in his eyes also. As this was the first time either Mr. West or his wife had claimed anything of the sort, the agent reminded Mr. West that on the night of the incident, both he and his wife had stated directly that they did not blame Lt. Rodriguez or the Piqua Police Department for shooting David. In response, Mr. West said that he had needed

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more time to process what happened and that investigators should have given them a few days. Reminding Mr. West that the previous interviews were completely voluntary on their parts, SA Hornyak further pointed out that he called Mr. West as soon as asked today. The agent added that he was very willing to listen to what Mr. West now had to say in addition to what was said on the night of the incident.

Mr. West reiterated that he told the police on the night of the incident that David only had a pepper ball gun. Informing Mr. West that BCI only gathers the facts in a case such as this and that the Miami County Prosecutor's Office would be the decision maker, SA Hornyak reminded Mr. West that during his previous interview he had agreed that police officers would have no way to fully verify whether or not David was only armed with a pepper ball gun, especially as it had the appearance of a real firearm, and as David appeared to have brandished it as such.

Mr. West stated he was also upset that either BCI or the Piqua Police Department had left the lights on in his basement when departing the residence. The call terminated cordially at approximately 0918 hours.

Following the call, SA Hornyak referenced incident reports provided by the Piqua Police Department and found that, although David West did escape his handcuffs during a previous police encounter involving multiple officers, Lt. Rodriguez was not involved nor listed as even being present (Incident date: 12-5-23; see attached report). Police reports received and reviewed in fact only showed only a single incident when Lt. Rodriguez responded to a call involving David West and no physical contact. The incident occurred on November 23, 2023, and involved Lt. Rodriguez reportedly speaking to West through a window from outside of West's residence before leaving without incident. Several days later, West was charged with misuse of public services.

On March 4, 2025, SA Hornyak contacted Lt. Jeremy Weber and asked PPD to verify this was the only known previous encounter between Lt. Rodriguez and David West. On March 6, 2025, Lt. Weber verbally verified that the November 23, 2023, incident, as noted above, was the only previous police encounter between the two.

#### References:

No references.

#### Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2025-03-04 / Phone call with Duane West

Attachment # 02: 23pi17388 & Axon Report & Charges & UVMC Incident Report

# **Exhibit 1**

**Included as a separate file.**

## **Exhibit 2**



# PIQUA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Case Report for Incident 23PI17388

**Nature:** ASSAULT

**Location:** PINO

**Address:** 1605 BROADWAY DR

PIQUA OH 45356

**Offense Codes:** SUIC, ASLB, RESB

**Received By:** K GONZALEZ

**How Received:** T

**Agency:** PIP

**Responding Officers:** D A ALEXANDER, L T WELBAUM, R M GEARING, D A BRISSET, R A NOVELLINO, M L WHALEY

**Responsible Officer:** D A ALEXANDER

**Disposition:** CAA 12/22/23

**When Reported:** 20:27:32 12/05/23

**Occurred Between:** 20:27:32 12/05/23 and 20:28:23 12/05/23

**Assigned To:** M S GROVE

**Detail:** PIAD

**Date Assigned:** 12/06/23

**Status:** CAA

**Status Date:** 12/22/23

**Due Date:** \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

## Complainant:

**Last:**

**First:**

**Mid:**

**DOB:** \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

**Dr Lic:**

**Address:**

**Race:**

**Sex:**

**Phone:**

**City:** ,

## Offense Codes

**Reported:**

**Observed:** SUIC SUICIDE

**Additional Offense:** SUIC SUICIDE

**Additional Offense:** ASLB ASSAULT:13B

**Additional Offense:** RESB RESISTING ARREST:13B

## Circumstances

### Responding Officers:

### Unit :

D A ALEXANDER

208

L T WELBAUM

226

R M GEARING

228

D A BRISSET

2

R A NOVELLINO

31

M L WHALEY

20

**Responsible Officer:** D A ALEXANDER

**Agency:** PIP

**Received By:** K GONZALEZ

**Last Radio Log:** \*\*.\*.\*.\* \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

**How Received:** T TELEPHONE

**Clearance:** RT REPORT TAKEN  
(REQUIRED)



**When Reported:** 20:27:32 12/05/23**Disposition:** CAA **Date:** 12/22/23**Judicial Status:****Occurred between:** 20:27:32 12/05/23**Misc Entry:****and:** 20:28:23 12/05/23**Modus Operandi:****Description :****Method :****Involvements**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Description</b>	
12/05/23	Name	WEST, DAVID C	NON-JUVENILE ARREST
12/05/23	Name	ALEXANDER, DEVON	VICTIM
12/05/23	Name	[REDACTED]	VICTIM
12/05/23	Offense	Offense#: 215005 - F4 - 1 count	Charged With
12/05/23	Offense	Offense#: 215006 - F4 - 1 count	Charged With
12/05/23	Offense	Offense#: 215007 - M1 - 1 count	Charged With
12/05/23	Cad Call	20:27:32 12/05/23 SUICIDE NO INJ	Initiating Call

**Narrative**

Responded to a call referencing a male having suicidal and homicidal thoughts. Male was transported to the hospital. The male then assaulted two officers and was arrested. After being cleared from the hospital, the male was taken to jail.

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Responsible LEO:

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Approved by:

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Date

**Supplement**

CAD Call info/comments

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Officer Alexander  
Piqua PD

On 12/05/23 at 2027 hours, I responded to 1605 Broadway Dr., in reference to David West calling 911 and stating he was feeling suicidal and homicidal.

Upon arrival, Lt. Gearing and Officer L. Welbaum were also present. We then walked towards the front porch of the residence and David walked out stating he was having issues. David was calm and stated he had not had access to his new medication and was having suicidal thoughts. Lt. Gearing advised David we would transport him to UVMC if he wanted to go speak to someone. At this point, David had not made any direct suicidal or homicidal comments.

We then walked David over to my cruiser and while standing there, David was advised we had to place handcuffs on him, and explained he was not under arrest, and that it was only for safety. David advised he did not want to be handcuffed behind his back. Lt. Gearing then advised David could be handcuffed in the front. I then placed handcuffs on David, checked for a proper fit, then double locked the handcuffs. David was searched and nothing of interest was found.

David then sat in the rear of the cruiser with his feet hanging out. David then started to argue and wanted to know where his daughter was and why there was no Amber Alert out for her. Lt. Gearing explained to David we were not involved in the matter and we were only there to help him. David continued to argue for a few minutes, but eventually stated he would go to the hospital, he then placed his feet in the cruiser. David at this point made a comment that the County and City Prosecutor would be gone when he got out. I also noticed a strong odor of alcoholic beverage coming from his breath when speaking.

I then transported David to UVMC, which is located at 3130 N. Co. Rd. 25A. While driving to UVMC David was still wanting to question why nobody was helping him find his daughter. David was not yelling and was talking in a calmer manner. During the trip to the hospital I did not hear David moving around, nor did I notice anything out of the ordinary. UVMC was advised to have security present upon my arrival.

Once I arrived, I parked near the east door where I was met by UVMC [REDACTED]. We then walked to the passenger rear door and I opened it. Upon opening the door, David still had his seat belt on so I unlocked it. At this time as David turned his body towards me I noticed his handcuffs were off and he was holding them. At the same time, David threw the handcuffs at me, striking me in the chin.

David then lunged towards [REDACTED] and me, making comments about wanting us to kill him. We then grabbed ahold of him and had him pinned to the cruiser. I then radioed dispatch and advised we had a male fighting in the parking lot. I also noticed there was a Troy PD cruiser parked next to me, so I advised dispatch to have the Troy Officer come out to assist. During this time, David was able to place [REDACTED] in headlock.

[REDACTED] and I then fell to the ground with David. David's hands were clinched and he would not place his arms behind his back after being given commands. I then advised David a taser would be deployed. David continued to resist placing his hands behind his back and I withdrew my taser, removed the taser cartridge, then placed the taser in the middle of his back. I then gave the taser command "Taser, taser, taser" and then initiated the taser drive stun

to his back. David then allowed me to move his left wrist to his back.

At this time, Officer Duchak from Troy PD ran out and assisted in holding David's left arm in place. [REDACTED] then gave commands for him to place his right arm behind his back, which he did not. [REDACTED] then initiated his taser near the back of David's right shoulder blade area. At this time his right hand was placed behind his back and he was handcuffed. It should also be noted, during the drive stun, I do not know if it was deployed a full cycle. He was moving and I can not recall if there was a continuous usage. After being cuffed David made multiple comments about having us kill him.

Medical staff then came out and brought a wheelchair so he could be moved inside. Once inside he was moved to their mental health intake room. David was making comments about killing him and indicated he would not cooperate with staff. [REDACTED] Officer Duchak, Deputy Brisset, myself, and the hospital staff then moved David from the chair and placed him on the bed. It should be noted, that David was trying to fight during this time by kicking and jerking around. David was then able to be secured with restraints by the hospital staff.

An involuntary commitment was completed and the hospital staff advised they would attempt to clear him so he could be released and taken to jail. I then spoke to [REDACTED] and noticed he had scrapes and cuts on his hands. Photos were taken of his injuries. I then noticed blood on my left hand and observed an injury to my left palm area where the skin was scrapped off. I also noticed my chin felt sore from the handcuffs hitting the area. A photo was taken of my hand injury. No medical attention was needed for [REDACTED] or myself.

David was charged with 2 counts of assault ORC 2903.13(A), a 4th-degree felony, and resisting arrest ORC 2921.33(B) a M1. A CCH was requested.

[REDACTED] was provided a victim rights form. The body and cruiser camera were uploaded to the case file. A copy of the UVMC Police Department use of force form was added to the case file.

It should be noted there was a body camera malfunction during the arrest. Upon arrival to the hospital, I exit the cruiser and walked to the passenger door where David is located. At this time my body camera stops recording. The body camera then starts recording once David is out and we are fighting. The body camera does not show me opening the door and David throwing the cuffs at me.

At approximately 2345 hours, the hospital advised they were releasing David. I then responded to the hospital and alongside staff and their security, David was placed into my cruiser in cuffs. The cuffs were checked for a proper fit and double locked. David was then transported to the downtown jail.

[REDACTED] indicated he would fax his report once completed. A copy of the video will be collected on day shift and added to the case file.

**Supplement**

## Mental Health

On 12/05/23 at 2027 hrs, Officer Alexander and Officer L Welbaum were dispatched to 1605 Broadway Dr for a report of subject making suicidal statements. Dispatch advised David West called and stated he was off his medication and having suicidal and homicidal thoughts. I am familiar with David from past dealings and responded to the residence as well.

When we arrived on scene, Dispatch contacted David over the phone and requested he step outside to speak with officers. David came outside and stated he was off his medication and he felt he needed to go speak with a mental health professional. I advised him we would transport him to the hospital, but he would need to be secured in handcuffs for transport. Officer Alexander and I then escorted David to Officer Alexander's cruiser. While speaking with David, I observed a moderate odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath and person.

Officer Alexander advised David he would need to secure him in handcuffs to transport him and instructed him to turn around and face away from him. David did not turn around and instead held his hands together and out in front of him to be handcuffed. I then instructed Officer Alexander to handcuff David with his hands in front of him to be transported.

David then sat in the cruiser and began asking questions about his daughter and expressed displeasure with Frank Patrizio and Tony Kendell. I advised David several times that we were not there to discuss the issues with the custody of his daughter and that he were there to transport him to the hospital at his request. I advised him at this time he was being transported voluntarily and that if he did not want to go, we would remove the handcuffs and he could go back inside. David then decided he wanted to go to the hospital. As I was shutting the cruiser door, David made the statement "They're fucking dead when I get out."

Officer Alexander then transported David to the Upper Valley Medical Center for a mental health evaluation. Shortly after arriving at UVMC, Officer Alexander advised dispatch that David was fighting with him and he had deployed his Taser. See Officer Alexander's supplemental narrative for further.

I have nothing further at this time.

Lt Gearing #228  
Piqua PD

## Supplement

### Supervisory Use of Force Review

Use of Force Number: 23UF20

1. Level and Type of Force Reasonable (Y):
2. Officer(s') Actions Consistent with Policy and Authority (Y):
3. Tactical Considerations Involved (Y)
4. Training, Policy, Equipment Considerations (Y):
5. Supervisory Issues (Y):
6. Counseling or Disciplinary Considerations (Y):
7. Equipment Upgrade Recommendations (Y):

See Memorandum

Reviewed by: Lt Gearing #228

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Call type 1 reopened by K GONZALEZ at 23:52:31 12/05/23  
  
23:53:36 12/05/2023 - R M ARTZ  
SECURITY SPECIALIST COCHRAN PX [REDACTED] ADV DAVID WEST IS READY FOR PICKUP  
AT UVMC, RP ADV THAT HE WAS TOLD TO HAVE 2-3 OFC SENT



### Supplement

On 12/07/2023 at 0128 hours, I downloaded the Taser log from Taser (03) for 12/05/2023 at 00:00:00 hours to 12/07/2023 at 02:00:00.

I found the Taser was triggered at 17:41:11 on 12/05/2023 for a five second (pre-shift spark test) and put back on safe. The following events are related to this call.

20:55:54 armed.

20:55:55 trigger. The trigger duration was five seconds.

20:56:17 safe.

The time was synched from 12/07/2023 01:28:27 to 12/07/2023 01:28:22. The Taser log was added to the case file and the Taser was returned to service.

Lieutenant Christopher Yingst



## Supplement

Division Use of Force Review

Use of Force Number: 23UF20

1. Level and Type of Force Reasonable (Y/N): Y
2. Officer(s)' Actions Consistent with Policy and Authority (Y/N): Y
3. Tactical Considerations Involved (Y/N): Y
4. Training, Policy, Equipment Considerations (Y/N): Y
5. Quality of Supervision Considerations (Y/N): N
6. Quality of Investigative Process (Acceptable or Not): Acceptable
7. Counseling or Disciplinary Recommendations (Y/N): Y

(Responses explained) See IOM

Reviewed by: Deputy Chief M. S. Grove/Unit 206

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## Supplement

### Chief's Findings - Use of Force Review

1. Level and Type of Force Reasonable (Y/N): Yes
2. Officer(s)' Actions Consistent with Policy and Authority (Y/N): Yes
3. Tactical Considerations Involved (Y/N): Yes
4. Training, Policy, Equipment Considerations (Y/N): Yes
5. Quality of Supervision Considerations (Y/N): No
6. Quality of Investigative Process (Acceptable or Not): Acceptable
7. Personnel Action (Details in Personnel File) (Y/N): Yes - GT Entry
8. Additional Orders or Findings:

Concur with findings.

**Name Involvements:**

VICTIM : 279092

Last: ALEXANDER

First: DEVON

Mid:

DOB: \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Dr Lic:

Address: 100 N WAYNE ST; PIQUA  
POLICE DEPARTMENT PIPD  
City: PIQUA, OH 45356

Race: Sex: M

Phone: () -

NON-38221

JUVENILE

ARREST :

Last: WEST

First: DAVID

Mid: C

DOB: 07/21/80

Dr Lic: [REDACTED]

Address: 236 MCKINLEY AVE

Race: W Sex: M

Phone: (937)451-1595

City: PIQUA, OH 45356

VICTIM : [REDACTED]

Last: [REDACTED]

First: [REDACTED]

Mid:

DOB: \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Dr Lic: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Race: W Sex: M

Phone: [REDACTED]

City: [REDACTED]



Application Version  
 Health

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# EVIDENCE SYNC™ AXON

Offline Report  
 Local Timezone  
 Generated On

Eastern Standard Time (UTC -05:00)  
 07 Dec 2023 01:31:10

Dates from : Tue Dec 5 00:00:00 2023 to : Thu Dec 7 02:00:00 2023

## Device (X26P)

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7542	05 Dec 2023 17:41:11	Trigger	5		93
7543	05 Dec 2023 17:41:16	Safe	5	22	93
7544	05 Dec 2023 20:55:54	Armed		29	93
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7547	07 Dec 2023 01:28:22	USB Connected			
7548	07 Dec 2023 01:28:22	Time Sync	07 Dec 2023 01:28:27 to 07 Dec 2023 01:28:22		

**Criminal Complaint**

THE STATE OF OHIO  
MIAMI COUNTY

SS: IN THE MIAMI COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
COURT OF MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO

Miami County Municipal Court  
215 West Main Street, 3rd Floor  
Troy, Ohio 45373  
(937) 440-3910

*For Court Use Only*

**Defendant:**

DAVID C WEST  
1605 Broadway Dr.  
Piqua, OH 45356-  
DOB: July 21, 1980  
SSAN: \*\*\*-\*\*-\*\*\*\*  
W/M - 600/150 - BRO/GRN

**Victim:**

**Location of Occurrence:**

3130 N. Co. Rd. 25a

Court Case# \_\_\_\_\_ - CR - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
BCI&I ITN Number:  
Law Enforcement Case Number: 23-PPD000017388

**Criminal Charge**

*Assault*

**Complaint By Individual:**

Before me, a Notary Public for the State of Ohio, a Peace Officer authorized to administer oaths or Clerk of the Miami County Municipal Court of Troy, Ohio came OFFICER DEVON ALEXANDER who being duly sworn states that on or about December 05, 2023, one DAVID WEST In the City of Piqua, County of Miami, State of Ohio did: knowingly cause or attempt to cause physical harm to another or to another's unborn.

**TO WIT:**

The defendant caused harm to the officer by placing him in a headlock.

**In violation of Section 2903.13(A) of the Ohio Revised Code.**

**SPECIFICATIONS:**

The affiant further finds and specifies that the victim of the offense was a peace officer or an investigator of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation, a firefighter, or a person performing emergency medical service while in the performance of the officer's, investigator's, firefighter's, or person's official duties.

**PENALTY:**

Fourth Degree Felony  
6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, or 18 months and/or  
\$5,000.00 Fine

**Complainant:** Officer Devon Alexander

*Sworn to and subscribed before me by the  
Complainant on December 06, 2023*

**Notary Public/Authorized Peace  
Officer/Clerk of Court**

**Defendant Placed in Jail**

☐ Court Copy ☐ Defendant Copy ☐ Return Copy ☒ Extra Copy

**Criminal Complaint**

THE STATE OF OHIO  
MIAMI COUNTY

SS: IN THE MIAMI COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
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**TO WIT:**

The defendant resisted arrest by physically fighting an officer and causing injury.

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THE STATE OF OHIO  
MIAMI COUNTY

SS: IN THE MIAMI COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
COURT OF MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO

Miami County Municipal Court  
215 West Main Street, 3rd Floor  
Troy, Ohio 45373  
(937) 440-3910

*For Court Use Only*

**Defendant:**

DAVID C WEST  
1605 Broadway Dr.  
Piqua, OH 45356-  
DOB: July 21, 1980  
SSAN: \*\*\* - \*\*  
W/M - 600/150 - BRO/GRN

**Victim:**

State of Ohio

**Location of Occurrence:**

3130 N. Co. Rd. 25-a

Court Case# \_\_\_\_ - CR - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_  
BCI&I ITN Number:  
Law Enforcement Case Number: 23-PPD000017388

**Criminal Charge**

*Resisting Arrest*

**Complaint By Individual:**

Before me, a Notary Public for the State of Ohio, a Peace Officer authorized to administer oaths or Clerk of the Miami County Municipal Court of Troy, Ohio came OFFICER DEVON ALEXANDER who being duly sworn states that on or about December 05, 2023, one DAVID WEST In the City of Piqua, County of Miami, State of Ohio did:  
recklessly or by force, resist or interfere with a lawful arrest of the person or another person and, during the course of or as a result of the resistance or interference, cause physical harm to a law enforcement officer.

**TO WIT:**

The defendant resisted arrest after assaulting two police officers.

In violation of Section 2921.33(B) of the Ohio Revised Code.

**PENALTY:**

First Degree Misdemeanor  
Six (6) Months and/or  
\$1,000.00 Fine

**Complainant:** Officer Devon Alexander

*Sworn to and subscribed before me by the  
Complainant on December 05, 2023*

**Notary Public/Authorized Peace  
Officer/Clerk of Court**

**Defendant Placed in Jail**

☐ Court Copy ☐ Defendant Copy ☐ Return Copy ☒ Extra Copy

**Incident File Summary Report****Incident File** [REDACTED]

Incident File # : [REDACTED]

**Record Creation Details**

Date/Time Occurred: 12/ 5/2023 8:55:00 PM

Department: Public Safety

Day of Week Occurred: Tuesday

Owner: [REDACTED]

Date/Time Created: 12/ 6/2023 2:40:05 AM

Operator ID: [REDACTED]

Date/Time Closed:

Operator Name:

Closed By:

Personnel ID:

**Location of Incident:**

Property: Upper Valley Medical Center

Location: ED

Sublocation: CareFlight Helipad

**Details of Incident:**

Daily Log #: [REDACTED]

Type: Assault

Specific: Arrest

Category:

Incident Status: Open

Synopsis: Violent patient brought in by Piqua Police Dept (West, David), for pink slip evaluation. Patient began to fight with both myself and Piqua Officer Devon Alexander, immediately after being let out of the back seat of the marked Piqua Police cruiser

Checklist:

Narrative:

Created On	Created By	Modified On	Modified By
12/ 6/2023 2:40:06 AM	[REDACTED]	12/ 6/2023 2:40:06 AM	[REDACTED]

Sir;

On December 5, 2023, I was working at Upper Valley Medical Center, located at 3130 N County Rd 25A, performing police related duties on my [REDACTED]. At approximately 8:47 PM, I was notified by the on duty phone operator that the Piqua Police Dept, was enroute to the emergency department, with a pink slip patient, who was said to be combative. I was also told that the Piqua Police had requested that we meet them upon their arrival, due to the behavior of the patient. I was already present in the emergency department when the call was first given to me and I stood by the Careflight entry door, awaiting the arrival of the Piqua Officer. Crew 542 (Officer John Cochran), was present at the inpatient adult behavioral health center, at the time of the dispatch and went on to respond from that same location. At approximately 8:54 PM, I observed a marked Piqua cruiser traveling up the medic driveway, toward the doors located across from the Careflight helipad. As the marked Piqua cruiser was parking next to the helipad entrance to the emergency room, I went outside to meet the officer.

I was then greeted by Officer Devon Alexander of the Piqua Police Dept and I asked him if he had a combative patient. Officer Alexander replied to me, that the patient that he had brought, had not been physically violent but that he was making several verbal threats. Upon then opening the rear passenger side door of his marked cruiser, Officer Alexander requested that West get out of the car, so that he could be taken into the emergency room. West then began to exit the rear passenger side seat and upon placing both of his feet onto the ground, began to try and flee the area. Due to me standing directly in the path of West, he tried to push his way past me and Officer

Reporting Party:

Supervisor:

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Alexander went on to tackle him against his cruiser. Both Officer Alexander and I went on to attempt to gain control of West, however he continued to move violently and was able to place me in a side headlock. Officer West requested assistance over his portable radio and other officers from the Piqua Police Dept, responded to the scene, along with security specialist Cochran, as well as Officer Kyle Duchak from the Troy Police Department. As West continued to struggle in an attempt to get away, both he, Alexander and myself eventually went to the ground. Upon hitting the ground, I was able to escape the headlock that had been placed on me and we were able to get West onto his stomach. Officer Alexander and Duchak were able to place one handcuff onto the left wrist of West and I knelt on his right arm, with my body weight, to prevent him from using it. As West continued to try and turn his body from side to side, Officer Alexander deployed his duty issued taser onto the back area of West, which allowed control to be obtained over his left arm. Immediately after this, West once again continued to flail his body from side to side, in an attempt to break free from us and I removed the cartridge from my Premier Health Department issued taser. Upon doing so, I then drove stunned him in the upper back area. This had some effect on him momentarily but he continued to struggle. I then deployed a second shock to West on the collarbone area on his right side and removed my body weight from his right arm. During this time, officers were able to handcuff his right arm and used two sets of handcuffs to connect the left and right arms together.

Upon securing both sets of handcuffs on West, he was rolled onto his side and a wheelchair was brought out from the emergency room by the ER staff. PCT Travis Shade, RN Devion Seifring, PCT Allison Barnthouse, RN Kylie Winner and Charge Nurse Taylor McDavid, were all present outside, after the incident had concluded. West was placed on the wheelchair, without delay and taken inside the emergency room after this. Even as he was sitting on the wheelchair, West was still combative and attempting to kick his legs at staff and officers. Due to this, he was brought in backward, as he was sitting in the chair, so that he could not kick at officers or staff members.

Upon taking West to [REDACTED] by Dr Hillary McKinley and 4 point nylon restraints were immediately applied, with the assistance of Officer Alexander and Duchak.

Injuries noted to West consisted of abrasions on his shin areas, as well as his forehead.

I sustained an abrasion on my right hand that was photographed by both Officer Alexander as well as being photographed by security specialist Cochran.

I notified UVMC Lt Josh Wendling of the incident by telephone at 9:45 PM and he went on to notify the hospital administrator Jacqui Rose and the administrative officer Pamela Graves.

There is no further information to add at this time.

Officer [REDACTED]

Executive Brief:

Reporting Party:

Supervisor:

**Incident File Summary Report****Incident File** [REDACTED]**Participants Involved:**

Personnel:	John Cochran	Property:	Upper Valley Medical Center
Date of Birth:		Department:	Security
Role:	Security Specialist		
Personnel:	[REDACTED]	Property:	Upper Valley Medical Center
Date of Birth:		Department:	Police
Role:	Reporter		
Subject:	Allison Barnthouse	Company:	
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Nurse, PCT		
Subject:	Devon Alexander	Company:	
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Complainant, Officer		
Subject:	Hillary McKinley	Company:	Premier Health
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Doctor		
Subject:	Kyle Duchak	Company:	
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Complainant, Officer		
Subject:	[REDACTED]	Company:	
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Complainant, Officer		
Subject:	Taylor McDavid	Company:	Premier Health
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Charge Nurse		
Subject:	David West	Company:	
Date of Birth:	7/21/1980		
Role:	Offender		
Subject:	Devion Seifring	Company:	
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Nurse		
Subject:	Travis Shade	Company:	Premier Health
Date of Birth:			
Role:	Nurse, PCT		
Subject:	Kylie Winner	Company:	

Reporting Party:

Supervisor:

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Date of Birth:

Role:

Nurse

Reporting Party:

Supervisor: