



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



2023-0408
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1680 Stringtown Rd., Grove
City 43123 (L)

Investigative Activity: Supplemental Interview
Involves: Dawn K Gregory (W), William T Burton (W)
Date of Activity: 04/06/2023
Author: SA Kyle Douglass, #126

Narrative:

On April 6, 2023 at approximately 1002 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Jim Mulford (SA Mulford) and Kyle Douglass (SA Douglass) interviewed Dawn Gregory (Gregory) at her residence, located at 635 East Morrill Avenue in Columbus, OH. The purpose of the interview was to discuss a firearm registered to Gregory, which was recovered at the location of an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) on February 11, 2023, between Columbus Division of Police (CPD) and Bret Andrews (Andrews).

On February 11, 2023, BCI was notified of an OICI involving CPD SWAT officers, who were attempting to execute an arrest warrant on Andrews. During the encounter, multiple CPD SWAT officers discharged their firearms. Andrews was transported to Grant Medical Center with alleged gunshot wounds, where he was pronounced deceased. A firearm not belonging to law enforcement was recovered from the scene, a Ruger EC9S 9mm pistol (SN: 454-58298) registered to Gregory.

The following is a summation of the interview. Please refer to the attached audio recording for specific quotes.

Gregory confirmed she purchased the aforementioned Ruger pistol from Vance's in Columbus, OH. Gregory explained she had pawned the gun at Lev's Pawn Shop in Columbus, OH, but she later purchased it back. Gregory then gave the gun to her boyfriend, William Burton (Burton), to sell because they needed rent money. Gregory believed Burton had sold the gun approximately one year ago. Gregory did not know who Burton sold the gun to. Gregory denied knowing Andrews or having any friends or family in the Athens area. Gregory was shown a photograph of Andrews, which she did not recognize.

Gregory explained Burton would have more information about the sale of the firearm. Interview concluded at approximately 1012 hours.

On April 6, 2023 at approximately 1155 hours, SA Douglass interviewed Burton via telephone.

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Burton confirmed the firearm in question is a Ruger EC9S 9mm pistol. Burton estimated he sold the gun about one year ago, because Burton was not working at the time and they needed money to pay rent. Burton reported he sold the gun to Roger Workman (Workman), who is the uncle of Burton's friend, Austin Howell (Howell). Burton believed he sold the gun to Workman for \$400 in cash. Burton did not know Workman's current home address, but recalled Workman was living on G Street off Harmon Avenue in Columbus at the time Workman purchased the Ruger pistol from Burton.

Interview concluded at approximately 1204 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2023-04-06: Dawn Gregory Interview Audio
Attachment # 02: 2023-04-06: William Burton Interview Audio