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

2026-2933
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 5193 Robinhood Drive, Willoughby, Ohio 44094 Lake County (L)

Investigative Activity:	Involved Officer Interview
Involves:	[redacted] (S)
Activity Date:	08/24/2026
Activity Location:	Willoughby Police Department 36700 Euclid Ave. Willoughby, OH 44094
Authoring Agent:	**SA Allison Fletcher**

Narrative:

On Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at 1046 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Allison Fletcher (Fletcher) and SA Darien Spann (Spann) conducted an interview with Willoughby Police Department (WPD) [redacted] who was accompanied by his attorney Dan Leffler from the Ohio Patrolman's Benevolent Association. The interview was audio and video recorded and the interview took place at the WPD.

[redacted] read, understood, and signed the BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not intend 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 elicited 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.

Preliminary and Demographic Information:

Name: [redacted]	**Rank:** [redacted]
Badge Number: [redacted]	**Cruiser/Vehicle Number:** [redacted]
Radio Call Sign: [redacted]	**Immediate Supervisor:** [redacted]
Radio Channel Utilized: 2B Main	**Mobile Data Terminal:** Present; Not Used
Cruiser Description: Chevy Tahoe – black; lights sirens, "police", push bumper, spotlight	**Occupants of Cruiser and Seating Positions:** Driver
Assignment: [redacted]	**Normal Shift:** [redacted]

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In-Car Camera: Operational & Utilized	**Spotlight:** Present; Not utilized
Emergency Lights: Present; Not Utilized	**Siren:** Present; Not Used
Shift Day of Incident: [redacted]	**Duty Status:** On-Duty
Days Off: [redacted]	**Prior Overtime or Extra Details within Preceding 48 Hours:** [redacted]
Hours of Sleep Prior to Incident: 6-7	**Consider Self Well Rested:** yes
Total Length as Officer: [redacted]	**Length at Current Agency:** [redacted]
Physical Disabilities (to include hearing aid): None	**Corrective Lenses:** No Corrective Lenses
Uniform Worn: Navy blue shirt/pants, outer carrier with "Police", badge, name plate, duty belt	**Equipment and Less-Lethal Options Carried on Person/Belt/Vest:** Taser, extra mags, tourniquet, med kit, radio
Ballistic Vest: External Armor	**Body Worn Camera:** Not Present
Other Recording Devices: Body mic	**Partner:** None
Injuries: None	**Equipment Damage:** None
Training or Areas of Specialty: CIT, FTO, Range instructor, LL pepper ball instructor	**OPOTC Certification:** Cleveland Heights Police Academy
Military Experience/Training: None	**Use-of-Force Training:** Monthly training, yearly review of policy
Prior Shooting Incidents: None	**Prior Discipline or Use-of-Force Complaints:** None
Medications, Prescriptions, or Drugs that might Impair Your Duties at Time of Incident: None	**Medications, Prescriptions, or Drugs that might Impair You Now for Interview:** None

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Officer's Firearm(s):

Weapon #1

Make: Sig Sauer	**Model:** P320
Caliber/Gauge: 9 mm	**Serial:** Unknown
Type: Semi-Auto Handgun	**Method of Carry:** Duty belt – R side
Magazine Capacity: 21	**Total Rounds as Carried (including chamber):** 21
Extra Magazines: 2	**Number of Rounds in Extra Magazines:** 17
Discharged During Incident? Yes	**Primary or Backup Weapon:** Primary
Rounds Remaining After Incident: 18 or 19	**Number of Rounds Fired:** 2-3
Right/Left-Handed Carry: Right-Handed	**Ownership:** Department Owned
Last Qualification Date: January 2026	**Type of Holster, if any:** Thumb brake

Prior to the interview, [redacted] had not watched any video related to the shooting incident. After the conclusion of the interview, [redacted] watched the cellphone video recording that was provided by [redacted] who was the [redacted] of the involved subject, Jason Green (Green).

After watching the video, [redacted] noted that [redacted] recorded the video from across the street and the point of view that the video provided was different than what he had experienced. He also noted that the flashlight affixed to his firearm was illuminated during the shooting incident which he was unable to recall prior to reviewing the video. He did not observe anything else in the video recording that was different to his experience and perception of the incident.

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After obtaining preliminary and demographic information, [redacted] provided the following information related to the incident on July 31, 2026.

On Friday, July 31, 2026, at approximately 2130 hours, while working uniformed patrol, [redacted] was dispatched to the area of 5193 Robinhood Drive for a 911 open line where someone was yelling "he's got a knife and he's going to kill me." The exact location was unknown at the time, however, the ping on the 911 call returned to the area near 5193 Robinhood Drive.

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Approximately two minutes after being dispatched to the call, [redacted] arrived on scene. He did not recall any additional information that was provided by dispatch.

After parking his vehicle in the roadway, [redacted] exited his vehicle and began checking the area immediately around the residence. While doing so, he heard someone yelling from inside 5193 Robinhood Drive; he also observed a male and female arguing through the front picture window. At that time, he knocked on the front door where he encountered [redacted]

As [redacted] opened the door she said, "get him out of here." [redacted] then observed a male (Green) sitting on the couch in the living room with a knife in his right hand. [redacted] described the knife as being a few inches long and curved.

[redacted] instructed [redacted] to exit the residence where she then began to speak with [redacted] in the front yard. [redacted] then began giving commands to Green to "drop the knife." Green "argued" with [redacted] and did not drop the knife. Green instead made statements such as "you're going to have to kill me" [15:00].

[redacted] was standing in the doorway and continued to try and speak with Green in an effort to de-escalate the situation. Green did not appear to respond and continued to yell and state, "you're going to have to kill me" while smoking marijuana.

Green then stood up from the couch and began approaching the front door where [redacted] was standing. [redacted] backed away and maintained a position in the front yard. He recalled [redacted] also backing away from the front stairs.

Green exited the house and sat on the stairs with the knife still in his hand. [redacted] drew his firearm and held it in a ready position. His tactical light affixed to his firearm was turned on and illuminating Green. Green became agitated by the light and told officer he was going to go inside and get another knife.

Green went back into the house and [redacted] heard what he believed to be a utensil drawer open. During this time, [redacted] and [redacted] formulated a plan to Tase Green should he come back out with a second knife and approach officers.

A short time later Green exited the front door holding a knife in each hand. The second knife was much larger and appeared to be a kitchen/butcher knife.

[redacted] and [redacted] maintained their positions in the front yard. [redacted] still had his firearm drawn in a ready position while [redacted] had his Taser drawn in a ready position.

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Green began approaching officers with the knives still in his hands making statements that officers are going to have to "kill" him. Both officers began retreating backwards through the front yard and into the front yard of 5201 Robinhood Drive while giving commands for Green to drop the knife. The front yard of 5201 Robinhood Drive had a slight incline and [redacted] recalled being concerned about walking backwards.

When Green reached the driveway of 5193 Robinhood Drive, [redacted] deployed his Taser. [redacted] immediately noticed that the Taser did not have any effect on Green. Green began swatting at the Taser wires and tossed the probes off to the side.

Green continued to approach officers with a knife in each hand. When Green was approximately 10-12 feet away from officers, [redacted] fired his gun approximately 2-3 times aiming at Green's center mass. [redacted] believed [redacted] fired his gun almost simultaneously.

After firing his gun, [redacted] radioed to dispatch that shots had been fired and the subject was down. [redacted] maintained cover on Green, who was lying on his back, while [redacted] removed the knives from the area.

Officers then began rendering aid to Green with EMS personnel arriving on scene a short time later.

During the incident, [redacted] feared for his safety and the safety of others on scene. When Green exited the house the second time with two knives in his hand, [redacted] believed "he's pretty serious about what he wants to do, and he's wants to harm somebody" [23:21]. [redacted] also stated, "he's coming at us and um, he's gonna hurt somebody. He's going near [redacted] and I was fearful that he was coming, you know, and as he approached more and more and got closer and closer. He was, uh, at a distance where there was no time to react at that point. He was Yeah. More than close enough. And I, you know, fearful that he was gonna hurt me or, or [redacted] He was coming Right, right between both of us basically. Right. Towards, I mean, one step, the other way I feel like he would've been on us" [23:58].

[redacted] recalled Green being very agitated throughout the duration of the incident and felt like Green was in an "altered state" while "screaming" at officers [23:37]. Green's demeanor never changed and [redacted] believed he and [redacted] had exhausted all means available to them.

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[redacted] perceived Green to be approximately 20 feet away at the time of the Taser deployment, however, he believed Green closed the distance very quickly just as officers fired.

[redacted] has responded to similar incidents in the past where the incident was resolved by separating parties, arrest, or other offer medical assistance (i.e. transport to hospital).

[redacted] believed his actions were consistent with his training. He did not believe he had any other options available to him other than using deadly force. He had no prior knowledge or contact with the subject involved in the shooting incident.

The interview concluded at approximately 1119 hours.

The audio and video recordings have been saved to Axon Justice as Reference Item L. The signed BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form has been attached to this report.

References:

Reference Item L – Officer Interviews – stored in Axon Justice

Attachments:

1. 2026-08-19 [redacted] Criminal Investigation Notification

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Criminal Investigation Notification

1. This investigation is being conducted in order to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated on the part of those involved in this incident. Specifically, to collect facts and information to be provided to the prosecutor and/or grand jury in order for them to determine whether the conduct involved is authorized or prohibited by criminal statutes.

2. Your participation in this interview is voluntary and you may decline to answer or cease the interview at any time. You are entitled to have an attorney present if you wish.

3. The criminal investigation is separate from any internal, administrative investigation which your employer may or may not be independently conducting. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. This is **not** a "Garrity" interview (where you could be required to answer).

[redacted]
Printed Name of Interviewee

8/19/25
Date / Time

[redacted]
Signature of Interviewee

SA. Allison Fletcher #187
BCI Agent (Printed)

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