



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



2022-0498
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 34 E. Fulton Ave., Columbus
43215 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer
Involves: Deputy Jason Evans (W)
Date of Activity: 03/07/2022
Activity Location: Franklin County Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau – 410 South High Street, Floor 3, Columbus, OH 43215, Franklin County
Author: SA James Poole

Narrative:

On Monday, March 7, 2022, Bureau of Criminal Investigations (BCI) was contacted by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) in regard to an Officer-Involved Critical Incident situation that occurred at a downtown multi-level parking garage located at 34 E. Fulton Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43215. This event occurred on the seventh floor of the structure. BCI was informed there was some sort of altercation between two (2) males and a female. When law enforcement observed the situation, they attempted to intervene. A physical altercation ensued between one of the males and law enforcement. During the altercation a firearm was discharged and the male was struck in the head and transported to Grant Hospital in critical condition. BCI was requested by the FCSO to investigate the situation.

BCI Special Agent James Poole (SA Poole) was assigned to interview potential FCSO witness deputies.

These interviews were audio recorded and a copy of the recording was saved electronically within the case file. Please refer to the recording for specific quotes. The following is a summation of the interview.

On March 7, 2022, at 1338 hours, SA Poole interviewed Deputy Jason Evans (Deputy Evans) on the 3rd floor of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Deputy Evans stated he was on the 3rd floor of the Franklin County Deputies Office when he heard an officer in trouble over the radio. When they gave the address of 34 E Fulton, Deputy Evans realized it was the parking garage behind where he was. Deputy Evans remembered running out with all the other deputies in the office to the parking garage.

When they arrived on the 7th floor of the parking garage Deputy Evans remembered seeing a female with apparent injuries to her face, a male consoling her, and a male laying on the ground

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not moving. Deputy Evans stated he saw Deputy [REDACTED] giving medical aid to the wounds on the male laying on the ground.

SA Poole asked if he saw who shot or how the male received his injuries. Deputy Evans said, "No, I wasn't there when it happened."

The interview ended at 1342 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-03-07 Deputy Jason Evans Interview