

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: Supplemental Interview

Involves: Melody Jordan (O)

Date of Activity: 04/13/2021

Activity Location: Jordan, Melody - Home - 870 North Meadows Ct. Apt. I,

Columbus, OH 43229, Franklin County

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Narrative:

On Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at approximately 1200 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Jim Mulford (SA Mulford) and Andrew Russell (SA Russell) interviewed Melody Jordan (Jordan) in response to an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on April 12, 2021, at Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital in Westerville, OH. An altercation happened between Miles Jackson (Jackson) and officers from the Columbus Division of Police (CPD), Westerville Police, and St. Ann's Security Department. Jackson died as a result of gunshot wounds from this incident. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this individual. Jordan is the mother of Miles Jackson

This interview was 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.

Agents identified themselves to Jordan and informed her they were there to speak about Jackson. She agreed and briefly spoke with agents on the front stoop of her residence. SA Mulford explained BCI is conducting a criminal investigation regarding her son's death. The investigative process was explained to Jordan. As the interview continued, Jordan became more distraught and upset about the death of her son.

Jordan reported she did receive a death notification from Columbus Police Officers on the evening of April 12. She was aware that Jackson was in the hospital on two separate occasions that date. She previously tried to get help for Jackson due to mental health issues and drug abuse. She had been in contact with Netcare and even called the hospital to talk with doctors while Jackson was in the emergency room.

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Jordan knew Jackson had warrants for his arrest. She said the warrants stemmed from him choking his girlfriend. She believed Jackson was having issues due to mental health and drug abuse. She was very upset with the lack of assistance she received in getting help for her son. She was also upset that law enforcement allowed him to enter into the hospital with a firearm. Jordan believes they should have located the firearm prior to him being placed in custody.

According to Jordan, Jackson did own a handgun and often carried it with him. She did not know any details about the handgun.

Jordan gave agents a phone number for Jackson's girlfriend, Jazmine Washington (614-822-5725). Jordan said Jackson was very abusive towards Jazmine Washington.

Jordan also reported her previous boyfriend, Chris Wade, was shot and killed at St. Ann's Hospital by police four years ago. He supposedly had a toy gun that he presented in the emergency room causing officers to discharge their weapons.

At this point in the interview, agents could tell Jordan was very distraught and upset. Out of respect for her grief, the interview was terminated.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01:04-13-21 Melody Jordan Interview

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