



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



2024-3258

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1273 Rosedale Drive, Dayton,
OH (Montgomery Co.) (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer

Involves: Taylor Coleman Anthony Cotton (S)

Date of Activity: 10/19/2024

Activity Location: Montgomery County Sheriff's Office–Harrison Twp. Substation –
5945 North Dixie Drive, Dayton, OH 45414

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Narrative:

On Saturday, October 19, 2024, the Dayton Police Department requested the assistance of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation in investigating the facts and circumstances surrounding an Officer–Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on the same date on Access Road near Rosedale Drive in the city of Dayton.

On Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 1428 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigations Special Agents Richard Ward and David Hornyak met with Montgomery County Deputy Sheriff John Rieder at Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Harrison Twp. Substation–5945 North Dixie Drive, Dayton, Ohio. Accompanying Rieder was his Ohio Labor Council representative, Detective Ryan Dalton.

The details below summarize what the author believed to be the pertinent portions of the recorded interview and are not a verbatim account. 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 audio recording be reviewed.

Deputy Rieder has been employed with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office for nearly one year, but has thirty (30) years of law enforcement experience with various law enforcement agencies. Rieder is assigned to court security, but was on an overtime shift working 0730–1602 hours, assigned to the west substation. Earlier today, Rieder had operated a marked patrol vehicle and was in the standard deputy sheriff uniform. Rieder responded to a broadcast for a "Signal 99" Dayton Police officers needing assistance on Rosedale. Rieder heard additional details broadcasted of a man [Taylor Cotton] with a gun in a car.

Deputy Rieder responded to area of Rosedale from the west as instructed and met with a

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Dayton Police officer. Rieder blocked the east bound traffic on Vernon Road near Access. Rieder assisted Englewood Police officers with the deployment of "stop sticks" if Cotton were to travel to their location. Along with Englewood, Rieder was joined by officers from other agencies.

Deputy Rieder observed a vehicle exit a nearby alley and noticed an open road (Winsor). Rieder blocked the roadway from access and moved to a safer location and was not close enough to see Cotton. Shortly thereafter, Rieder heard gunfire and informed the communications center of shots fired. Rieder heard via the radio a team of officers were moving toward Cotton's vehicle. Moments later, scene secure and medic requested was broadcasted. Rieder assisted with evidence tape on the the side streets.

Agent Hornyak asked Deputy Rieder about body-worn camera and cruiser camera. Rieder responded that because of his location, he did not activate his BWC, but his cruiser camera may have had a direct view.

Agent Ward concluded the audio recorded interview (attached below) with Rieder at 1441 hours.

References:

No references.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2024-10-19 / Dep. John Rieder audio recorded interview

Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.