



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



2023-2232

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 5991 S Sunbury Rd, Westerville
OH 43081

Investigative Activity: Document Review, Records Received
Involves: Sergeant Jonathan Sommer (W), Deputy Ronald Pierce (W)
Date of Activity: 09/28/2023
Activity Location: Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation – 1560 SR 56 SW, London,
OH 43140, Madison County
Author: SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On September 28, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Special Agent Steven Seitzman received written statements from Franklin County Sheriff's Office Sergeant Jonathan Sommer and Deputy Ronald Pierce. The statements were received from Kate Harshman, the attorney representing both law enforcement officers.

Sergeant Sommer and Deputy Pierce both advised that they arrived at the scene after the incident. Neither saw the subject, Ta'Kiya Mone't Yvette Young, as paramedics had already loaded her into the ambulance. Furthermore, neither believed they had any prior knowledge or interactions with Ms. Young.

The written statements are attached below.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Sergeant Jonathan Sommer– Written Statement
Attachment # 02: Deputy Ronald Pierce– Written Statement

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STATEMENT OF SERGEANT JONATHAN SOMMER, BADGE S-105

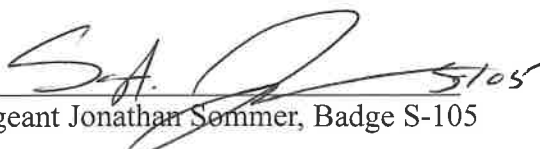
This statement is regarding my involvement in an incident that occurred on August 24, 2023 at the parking lot of Kroger located at 5991 S Sunbury Road, Westerville, OH 43081, which is within the jurisdiction of Blendon Township Police.

My date of hire with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) is December 1, 2018. I am currently assigned to [REDACTED] On August 24, 2023, I responded to a call of an officer in trouble and arrived on scene at approximately 6:49pm in Car S-2. I had no partner. At the time I arrived on scene, I was in uniform.

I arrived on scene well after the incident was over and after the suspect, who I now know was Ta'Kiya Young, was loaded into the medic. I never saw Ms. Young on scene. Prior to the incident, I do not believe I had any interactions with Ms. Young, either personal or professional.

While on scene, I did not use any force. I did not fire my service weapon. I did not take any witness statements. Other than acting as a supervisor to deputies that were helping secure the scene and gather witness statements, I was not involved in the incident. I left Kroger at approximately 12:20am on August 25, 2023.

This statement consists of one (1) page.


Sergeant Jonathan Sommer, Badge S-105

STATEMENT OF DEPUTY RONALD PIERCE, BADGE 839

This statement is regarding my involvement in an incident that occurred on August 24, 2023 at the parking lot of Kroger located at 5991 S Sunbury Road, Westerville, OH 43081, which is within the jurisdiction of Blendon Township Police.

My date of hire with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) is December 27, 1999. I am currently assigned to the [REDACTED]

On August 24, 2023, I responded to a call of an officer in trouble and arrived on scene at approximately 6:43pm in Car 820. I had no partner. At the time I arrived on scene, I was in uniform.

I arrived on scene well after the incident was over and after the suspect, who I now know was Ta'Kiya Young, was loaded into the medic. I never saw Ms. Young on scene. Prior to the incident, I do not believe I had any interactions with Ms. Young, either personal or professional.

While on scene, I did not use any force. I did not fire my service weapon. I did not take any witness statements. Other than helping to secure the scene after the incident had occurred, I was not involved. I left Kroger at approximately 2:00am on August 25, 2023.

This statement consists of one (1) page.

Dep. Ronald Pierce 849
Deputy Ronald Pierce, Badge 849