



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



2026-2005

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 905 Brady Ave.,
Steubenville, OH 43952, Jefferson County

Investigative Activity: Witness Statement Review
Involves: Matthew Metzger (S), Jonathan Manning (W), Austin Guiler (W), Sharon Kowalik (W)
Activity Date: 06/15/2026
Activity Location: BCI - Richfield
Authoring Agent: SA Joseph Goudy

Narrative:

On Monday, June 15, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joseph Goudy (SA Goudy) reviewed the witness statements obtained by the Steubenville Police Department on the day of the incident relative to the officer-involved critical incident which took place on Sunday, May 24, 2026.

The following statements were reviewed and summarized:

Jonathan Manning / DOB: 11-05-1962 / Phone: [REDACTED]

Jonathan Manning (Manning) stated that he witnessed Metzger walking on the east side of the car dealership, pointing a handgun at another vehicle. Metzger did not discharge the firearm at that point. As Manning continued to observe Metzger's movements, he stated he saw him remove additional guns from his Jeep, carry them across the street from where it was parked and place them into a new vehicle on the car lot. Manning then stated that he observed two police vehicles arriving. Shortly afterwards, Manning stated that he then heard 3 to 6 gunshots fired.

Nothing further.

Austin Guiler / DOB: 02-02-1998 / Phone: [REDACTED]

Austin Guiler (Guiler) stated that while he was pulling out into the intersection, he observed Metzger with a gun. Furthermore, his friends were driving behind him when Metzger pointed a gun at them and said that they were under arrest. As Guiler pulled into a parking lot, he stated that the police officers fired their guns at Metzger because he pulled a gun on them.

Nothing further.

Sharon Kowalik / DOB: 03-26-1955 / Phone: [REDACTED]

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Sharon Kowalik (Kowalik) stated that after a police car stopped in front of her, an officer exited from the vehicle with his gun and yelled at a man across the street to exit his vehicle and drop the weapon. Kowalik then stated that the male (Metzger) ran across the street "shooting his gun." It was at this time when Kowalik stated that the officers started to fire their weapons which resulted in Metzger falling on the other side of the street. Kowalik stated that Metzger ignored the commands by officers to drop his gun. Kowalik believed that as a result of the gunfire, a tire on her vehicle went flat due to it being struck by a bullet.



Nothing further.

There were no audio or video recordings of the interviews provided at the time the information was obtained from the Steubenville Police Department.

For further information, please refer to the written statements attached to this report. Additionally, please refer to reference item A - FIU Investigative Photographs / Witness Tire Photos.

References:

Reference Item A - FIU Investigative Photographs / Witness Tire Photos

Attachments:

1. Witness Statement - Jonathan Manning
2. Witness Statement - Austin Guiler
3. Witness Statement - Sharon Kowalik

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John Patrick Mannino
suspect was walking up the East side
walk pointing a gun at another vehicle
but did not fire the hand gun. I circled
around to see what he might do next.
I then saw the suspect return to his Jeep
older model parked between the New
Ford Broncos with door open. I continued
to circle around and saw him take a high
powered rifle from the Jeep and walk
across Brady Ave to the Biggio Ford
Dealership and put the rifle in the rear
passenger side seat. He didn't unlock the
door, it appeared to be open. The suspect
shut the door locked around the vehicle
and to the Jeep license JAX 2229

Name:(print)

John Patrick Mannino

Signature:

Address:

6789 Redmont Red Ave Las Vegas, NV 89130

Witness:(print)

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Signature:

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Suspect Exited the jeep with another rifle & a bag. He returned to the Bronco at Biggio and placed the rifle & bag in the same rear seat of the same Bronco. He closed the door, looked around then proceeded to walk back across Brady Ave towards the Jeep. I then saw the first police car come up University Blvd heading west. Another police vehicle came down Brady Ave towards apartment. Both Police cars stopped & moments later I heard an exchange of gun fire - 3, 4, 5 maybe 6 shots fired. I then waited for the police to speak to me. I then explained

Name:(print) _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Witness:(print) _____

Signature: _____

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that there were at least
2 rifles & 1 bag in the rear seat of
the New Ford Silverado parked on the
SE corner of the Biggio showroom
nearly under the large Ford sign
of the corner of University & Brady.
After suspect was down & receiving
medical attn, an officer asked me
again which vehicle had the rifles
& I pointed to the Silverado - Dark Red
& they found the rifles & bag.

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Signature: _____

Address: _____

Witness:(print) _____

Signature: _____

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Austin Guiler

I was pulling out of the intersection and he was to my left and i saw he had a gun. Then my best friend was behind me and his wife called me and the guy with the gun pointed the gun at them and said "your under arrest". So i turned around and pulled in the parking lot and the cops had fired shots off because he pulled his gun on them. He also started a gun underneath a vehicle on the lot.

Name:(print) Austin Guiler Signature: Am

Address: 1001 General Dr. e Wellsville WV 26032

Witness:(print) Isaac Hough Signature: P.H. Hough

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I SHARON Kowalik and my Brother ^{saw} Michael Kowalik went to Bob Evans 5-24-26
Left There at 4:39 PM Then went to
Kroger Left There at 4:52 PM Then on
our way Home going Down by Biggo's
Michael My Brother was Driving my
Honda Passport car Look Back Seen a
Police car he my Brother Pulled off
to the side to let the Police go the
police Stopped got out of the car
with his gun and yelled told the
mam across the Street to get out
of the car now and Drop your
weapon The mam did get out of the
car But Ram Started Shooting his gun
Then the police Started Shooting his gun
Then The man Fell on the other side
on the street by the C where
he was Shot by the police and was
pronounced Dead where he ignored
the police in dropping his gun The
police came over to my car Told us
To Back up That's where we had our
Tire go Flat ⁵ We did here a Lot of gun
Shots and ducked after we heard them
Then we Pulled over at the Top of the
Hill by Biggo's Left side Because of the
Tire Michael went Down and told the police
our Tire was Shot he said he will Be up
in a little while Mean Time a mam
help us put my Doughnut Tire on so we
can go Home Patrolman Isaac Hough came
and Look at The Tire got Both our
Driver's License and gave us his card
(over)

Told me and my Brother if we
need anything to call this number
at the police Department he also
ask if we were hurt we Both said no
we were OK. after that we Turned
around and went Back to Follansberry
to our Home - on Tuesday 5-26-26
Michael my Brother did go to Standard
alignment To see if he can plug it But
They said the whole was To Big That I
need a new Tire. Then Took my car Back
To Standard Alignment Today 5-27-26
To get new Tire ow- Total cost 264.02

THANKS SHARON
KOWALIK

Michael Kowalik
5-27-26