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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1659 S. Main Street, Akron, Ohio
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Investigative Request

On Monday, June 27, 2022, Chief Stephen Mylett of the Akron Police Department requested the assistance of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation's (BCI) Special Investigations Unit (SIU) and Crime Scene Unit (CSU) in conducting an independent investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved shooting incident. The incident reportedly occurred on June 27, 2022, at approximately 12:38 AM, in the parking lot area of 1659 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio, and resulted in the death of Jayland Walker.

Initially, the Akron Police Department requested only the use of BCI's Crime Scene Unit to process the scene and that Akron Police personnel would conduct the investigation. Later in the day, at approximately 11:00 AM, the Akron Police Department requested that BCI's Special Investigations Unit conduct the investigation. Therefore, no Special Investigations Unit agent responded to or took any action at the scene.

Preface:

This report serves as a synopsis of the investigation into the June 27, 2022, officer-involved shooting in Summit County, Ohio. This report only summarizes the information that the investigative team determined to be the most useful in achieving an overall understanding of what occurred in this incident. Every fact and detail is not presented in this summary report. Therefore, it is recommended that each individual report from which this document is derived be read in order to obtain a complete understanding of this investigation. Further, audio and/or video recordings exist for the majority of the interviews conducted, revealing further details of statements given regarding the incident.

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This investigation was conducted with the purpose of determining, to the extent possible, the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. As unbiased collectors of fact, the investigative team has not and will not render any opinion of the legality of officers' actions. Instead, it is anticipated that this investigation will provide the basis of information for decisions to be rendered by the appropriate authorities.

Overview

On June 27, 2022, at approximately 12:22 AM, Akron Police Officers [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] [Car [REDACTED] were in the area of North Howard Street and Tallmadge Avenue. Officers observed a 2005 Buick Century with Ohio Registration HON 4514. According to Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] the vehicle had a broken taillight with "white light facing rear" and the license plate light was out. Officers ran the vehicle's registration through their Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) and observed a "note" associated with the vehicle. According to the note, the vehicle was involved in a prior pursuit with the New Franklin Police Department (June 26, 2022, at approximately 2:30 AM) and the driver at that time was possibly a white male.

Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] followed the vehicle and observed that it appeared to be driven by a black male. Officers continued to follow the vehicle as it traveled east on Tallmadge Avenue. The vehicle then entered the Route 8 South ramp from Tallmadge Avenue. According to Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] they decided not to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle due to the safety concerns of conducting a traffic stop on a highway and that the driver appeared to be a black male.

Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] returned back to the area of North Howard Street and Tallmadge Avenue. According to officers, a short time later (approximately 10 minutes), officers once again observed the 2005 Buick Century back in the area. Both officers stated they found this to be suspicious and decided that they were going to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle for the suspicious activity and the vehicle's equipment violation.

Officers activated their emergency lights in the area of Tallmadge Avenue and Thayer Street, in an attempt to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle. The vehicle failed to stop and continued east on Tallmadge Avenue. The vehicle then entered the Route 8 South ramp from Tallmadge Avenue. Officers radioed that they were in pursuit of the vehicle.

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While on the Route 8 South ramp, the driver of the vehicle fired at least one gunshot outside the driver's side window. Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] radioed that a shot had been fired at them and called out a "Signal 21" (officers need immediate assistance). Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] continued pursuing the vehicle. Other Akron Police officers began responding to the area due to the nature of the incident and a Signal 21 being broadcasted.

Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] continued to pursue the vehicle.

At some point during the pursuit, responding officers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [Car [REDACTED] became the primary pursuing cruiser. As the pursuit continued, other responding Akron Police officers began blocking intersections and paralleling the pursuit route.

Eventually, Akron officers pursued the vehicle to the area of West Wilbeth Road, when the vehicle began to slow. The driver of the vehicle initially attempted to exit his moving vehicle through the driver's side but quickly re-entered the vehicle. The driver eventually exited the vehicle through the passenger-side door and fled on foot. When the individual exited the passenger side of the vehicle, he was wearing a Balaclava mask that covered the majority of his face. Officers then pursued the individual on foot.

Briefly into the foot pursuit, the driver stopped and made a 360-degree turn and then continued to run. Two Akron Police officers deployed their Tasers during the foot pursuit, in an attempt to subdue the individual, but the Tasers were unsuccessful. The driver continued to flee, running towards the parking lot of the Bridgestone Technology Center, located at 1659 South Main Street. Once the driver reached the parking lot, he stopped running. According to the involved officers, the driver then reached toward his waistband, turned and then raised his arm towards officers.

Eight Akron Police officers discharged their weapons, firing a total of 94 shots. The driver of the vehicle was later identified as Jayland Walker and he died at the scene from his injuries. Jayland Walker was ultimately found to be unarmed, however, a Glock firearm with no magazine inserted in the pistol, a loaded Glock magazine and a wedding band were found on the driver seat of his vehicle.

Background

Jayland Walker (Jayland) was a 25-year-old male with no criminal history. Jayland worked as a delivery driver for Uber Eats and DoorDash. Prior to that, he was employed by Amazon. It was

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learned that Jayland's fiancé, Jaymeisha Beasley (Jaymeisha), was killed in a car accident on May 28, 2022.

Based upon some family member interviews, text message content and other obtained information, it appeared that Jayland was having a difficult time dealing with Jaymeisha's death.

Google records for Jayland showed that Jayland's Google account searched:

- "what happens when you drink bleach" May 30, 2022-9:14 AM EST
- "drinking bleach" June 10, 2022-12:25 AM EST
- "drinking bleach" June 10, 2022-12:35 AM EST
- "quickest ways to die" June 10, 2022-12:45 AM EST
- "quickest ways to die" June 10, 2022-12:46 AM EST

Jayland and Jaymeisha lived together at 1145 Kohler Avenue, Akron, Ohio, in a house they rented. Prior to Jaymeisha's death, Jayland and Jaymeisha were searching for a home to purchase. Jayland was previously approved for the loan amount of \$90,000, based on his income earned while working at Amazon. On June 4, 2022, Jayland contacted his landlord and requested to purchase the home that he and Jaymeisha had shared and rented. The landlord agreed to sell Jayland the house and a purchase agreement was entered. According to the landlord, he believed Jayland wanted to purchase the home in memory of Jaymeisha.

On June 7, 2022, Dupri Whatley (Dupri), who described himself as Jayland's best friend since high school, took Jayland to a gun range (Range USA in Akron). Dupri is a Summit County Sheriff's deputy assigned to the jail. According to Dupri, while at the gun range, Jayland did not know how to use a firearm, and Dupri showed Jayland how to load a gun and hold the gun.

Dupri advised investigators that when he was in the police academy in 2019, Jayland had asked him about police tactics. More specifically, Jayland asked Dupri, "How do people get cops to shoot them and stuff like that."

Dupri explained that he discussed with Jayland, "You know show me your hands, you tell somebody to show me their hands, they turn around real quick, you don't know what they got, you know, so that's how most people end up getting shot because they don't listen. All they got to do is just listen. Show me your hands."

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On June 20, 2022, at approximately 2:21 PM, Jayland was advised by his loan officer that he could not purchase 1145 Kohler Avenue because his loan could not be approved. The loan officer explained that Jayland's pre-approval was based on his income when he worked at Amazon. At approximately 2:41:41 PM, after Jayland's phone conversation with the loan officer, Jayland Google searched Range USA Akron. At approximately 4:00 PM, Jayland arrived at Range USA and purchased a firearm. That firearm was recovered from Jayland's vehicle after the shooting.

It was reported that Jayland's vehicle was involved in a pursuit with the New Franklin Police Department on June 26, 2022, at approximately 2:30 AM, less than 24 hours prior to his encounter with the Akron Police Department.

On June 26, 2022, beginning at 10:04 PM, approximately two and a half hours prior to the shooting, Jayland left his residence. Investigators determined that when Jayland left his house, he was not working for Uber Eats, DoorDash or any other delivery or employment service. Based on Google data location records, Jayland began driving around the areas of Akron, New Franklin and Green, in a manner that appeared to be random. During this time, Jayland did not stop at any location for a significant period of time. During this time, phone records also suggest that Jayland was not attempting to visit any friends or family members.

During the two and a half hours that Jayland was driving around various parts of Akron, Green and New Franklin, investigators noted the following behavior:

- At approximately 11:14 PM, Jayland returned to the exact same area in New Franklin, in which the pursuit occurred the morning before. Jayland actually drove by the area where the New Franklin officer was sitting stationary, when he spotted Jayland's vehicle the morning prior.
- At 11:59 PM, Google location data showed Jayland's cellular phone in the vicinity of the Akron Police Department.
- At 12:16 AM, Google location data showed that Jayland's cellular phone returned to the vicinity of the Akron Police Department.
- Jayland's vehicle was initially spotted by Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] on the area of North Howard Street and Tallmadge Avenue. Google location data initially showed Jayland in that area at 12:22 AM. Jayland then returned to that area at 12:30 AM.

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Days after the shooting, Dupri interviewed for a police officer position with the Euclid Police Department. It was reported that during that interview, Dupri told command staff with the Euclid Police Department that Jayland was depressed, and he believed that the incident with the Akron Police Department was possibly, "Suicide by Cop." In a subsequent interview with BCI agents, Dupri denied ever saying this.

In October 2022, Dupri applied to be a police officer with the Akron Police Department. It was reported that during Dupri's interview with Akron Police command staff, Dupri advised, "He had had conversations with Jayland when he was in his academy and there was something about questions, Jayland had asked him questions about suicide by cop."

After the shooting, a Glock firearm with no magazine inserted in the pistol, a loaded Glock magazine and a wedding band were found on the driver seat of Jayland's vehicle.

Jayland's sister, Jada Walker (Jada), was later asked, "Did he [Jayland] have a wedding ring or wedding band that you recall?" Jada responded, "He did." Special Agent Cory Momchilov replied, "Did he usually wear that all the time?" Jada responded, "Yes he did."

Investigative Team

BCI Special Agent (SA) Cory Momchilov (Momchilov) was assigned as the lead SIU case agent. SA Momchilov received assistance in the investigation from SA Chuck Moran (Moran), SA Matthew Armstrong (Armstrong), SA Joseph Goudy and SA Arvin Clar. BCI Special Agents Daniel Boerner and Justin Soroka (Soroka) of the Crime Scene Unit processed the scene of the incident; documenting, preserving and collecting possible evidence. BCI Computer Forensic Specialist (CFS) Natasha Branam of the Cyber Crimes Unit conducted an extraction and analysis of the recovered cellular phone. The investigation was supervised by Special Agent Supervisors Dave Posten and Jonathan Lieber. Additionally, various personnel from the BCI crime laboratory performed scientific analyses on submitted items of potential physical evidence.

Summary of Process

The following is a partial list of investigative activities or methods which were employed during the course of this investigation by the investigative team, in an effort to thoroughly and accurately locate and document all pertinent facts and circumstances regarding this incident:

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Interviews-Investigators conducted over 100 recorded interviews, including:

- Recorded interviews of the eight officers who discharged their weapons
- Recorded interviews of 47 officers who were involved in the incident, at the scene or otherwise deemed to potentially have relevant information
- Recorded interviews of possible witnesses
- Recorded interviews of family members, friends and associates of Jayland Walker
- Recorded interviews of other individuals who provided information both relevant and irrelevant to the investigation

Search Warrants and Subpoenas-Investigators obtained and served a total of six search warrants and four subpoenas related to this investigation including:

- Search warrant for 2005 Buick Century registered to Jayland Walker
- Search warrant for recovered cellular phone
- Search warrant for Uber Eats employment records pertaining to Jayland Walker
- Search warrant for DoorDash employment records pertaining to Jayland Walker
- Search warrant for Google records pertaining to Jayland Walker
- Search warrant for cellular phone records
- Subpoenas (4) for financial records and phone records

Scene Processing

- Processing of the scene for potential evidence (photographing, searching, documenting and collecting)
- 3D scans / model of incident area
- Drone footage of scene
- Processing of involved vehicle for potential evidence
- Collected over 140 items of evidence from scene and vehicle

Body-Worn Camera and Dash Camera-Obtained and reviewed a total of 51 body-worn camera footage clips and one dash-camera footage clip from 45 different officers related to this investigation, to include:

- 8 body-worn camera footage clips for the involved officers
- 4 body-worn camera footage clips from other responding Akron officers that captured some portion of the shooting
- 38 body-worn camera footage clips from other responding Akron officers

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- One body-worn camera footage clip and one dash-camera footage clip from a Cuyahoga Falls officer that captured Jayland discharging a firearm from his vehicle

Surveillance Video-Obtained and reviewed the following surveillance camera footage:

- 25 Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) traffic camera clips
- One Ring doorbell video clip for 115 E. Wilbeth Road, Akron, Ohio
- 6 surveillance camera video clips for the Bridgestone Center for Research and Technology-1659 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio
- Range USA Akron surveillance camera video from June 7, 2022, when Jayland was taken to the gun range by Dupri Whatley
- Range USA Akron surveillance camera video from June 20, 2022, that shows Jayland buying the firearm that was recovered from his vehicle after the shooting

Dispatch Related Information-Obtained and reviewed the follow items:

- Audio communications on the radio frequencies utilized during the incident (Akron Police and Cuyahoga Falls Police)
- Dispatch/CAD records pertaining to the incident
- Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) communications relative to the incident
- Audio communications on the radio frequencies utilized pertaining to the pursuit involving the New Franklin Police Department that occurred on June 26, 2022
- Dispatch/CAD records pertaining to the pursuit involving the New Franklin Police Department that occurred on June 26, 2022

Post Mortem Examination (Autopsy)

- Special Agent attendance at post mortem examination (autopsy) of Jayland Walker
- Obtained and reviewed post mortem examination (autopsy) and toxicology reports
- Obtained 53 items of evidence from the post mortem examination (projectiles, fragments, clothing, etc.)

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Conducted forensic laboratory examinations, to include:

1. Firearms
Firearm identification testing of involved firearms, casings and bullets (155 items)
Firearm operability testing
2. DNA
Conducted DNA analysis on recovered firearm and shell casing associated with
Jayland Walker

Conducted computer forensic analysis on electronic evidence, to include:

1. Cellular phones
 2. Electronic Control Device (e.g., Taser)
- Reviewed data obtained from aforementioned items of electronic evidence

Obtained and reviewed the following documents

- Review of the Akron Police Department's reports, photographs and investigative materials pertaining to the incident, excluding any Garrity statements or information derived from any compelled statement
- Review of New Franklin Police Department reports related to the June 26, 2022, vehicle pursuit
- Collected and reviewed the departmental personnel files of the officers involved in the shooting, to include training and disciplinary records (if any)
- Reviewed firearm qualification and training records for involved officers
- Verified the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) certification status of the officers who discharged their weapons
- Obtained the department's policies and procedures for prosecutorial review to include:
 1. P-21-013 Resisting Arrest-Use of Force
 2. P-20-068 In-Custody Death or Serious Injury Investigation
 3. P-19-057 Conducted Electrical Weapon
 4. P-19-031 Body Worn Camera (BWC)
- Reviewed EMS records pertaining to their response and the treatment administered
- Performed records checks, including LEADS and NCIC offline search, for the vehicle involved in the incident
- Reviewed cellular phone records

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- Reviewed Google records to include Google searches and location data
- Obtained and reviewed open and closed-source biographical information on the involved subjects, to include criminal history reports, OHLEG, driving records, etc.
- FBI National Crime Information Center (NCIC) checks on any non-law enforcement weapons involved in the incident (to determine if reported stolen)
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) trace on any non-law enforcement weapons involved in the incident (to determine ownership history)
- Obtained and reviewed an Offline LEADS Search for License Plate HON4514
- Obtained and reviewed a License Plate Reader Search on License Plate HON4514

Enhancement of audio/video recordings through the assistance of the Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission for the following items:

- Body-worn camera footage
- Dash-camera footage (Cuyahoga Falls officer)
- Ohio Department of Transportation traffic video clips
- Created top-down animation map of the involved officers' positions during the shooting

Tips and Constituent Correspondence

- Reviewed tips regarding the incident
- Conducted follow-up investigations on the tips when necessary

Location Mapping Analysis

- Mapped out location records associated with Jayland Walker's Google account
- Created a Geolocation mapping video

Officer Interviews

Agents interviewed a total of 55 Akron police officers who had some level of involvement in the June 27, 2022, shooting. Agents determined there were 8 officers who discharged their weapons, 7 potential witness officers and 40 officers who responded to the scene and took some sort of action.

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Involved Officers

Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) has been employed with the Akron Police Department since December 9, 2019.

On July 6, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

On June 27, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] said he was working with Officer [REDACTED] in Car [REDACTED] in the "North Hill" area of Akron. They saw a vehicle that had a "cracked" taillight with a black male driver on North Howard Street and Tallmadge Avenue. The driver turned the vehicle eastbound onto Tallmadge Avenue. The officers checked the license plate on their in-car computer (Mobile Data Terminal or MDT) "based on the plate light and taillight." The vehicle license plate showed "no warrants associated" and the black male owner had a "valid" license. Officer [REDACTED] explained, "But, it did have attached notes that it, the car was involved in a chase in some other neighboring jurisdiction, but it said possibly a white male driver was during that."

Officer [REDACTED] said the vehicle entered State Route 8 southbound as they were behind it. Officer [REDACTED] explained that he "normally" does not perform traffic stops on the highway because it was "not safe" for him or "anybody else." Officer [REDACTED] stated, "So, I let the car go. Didn't really think much of it. Didn't really care too much about the taillight. So, I continue on Tallmadge, but I did think to myself if the car was trying to get away from us since it was involved with the chase that uh, he might circle back to the same spot we saw him at originally at North Howard and Tallmadge. So, I do a big loop from Tallmadge to Glenwood and then Glenwood to North Howard."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "I go to North Howard and Tallmadge and now I am in the left-hand turn lane and I see the same vehicle with the same plate with the same broken taillight and plate light, pull up right next to us and then turn right on East Tallmadge Avenue just like he did before. I saw a black male driver in there. Um, we get behind the vehicle and I am deciding to do a traffic stop on the vehicle for the suspicious activity of the route he took and the plate light. Um, we do our lights and sirens at about Tallmadge and Thayer Avenue and the vehicle does not come to a stop. It continues to drive, ignores our lights and sirens. Um, I'm now thinking that he's going to run. Um, he continues to go, this is turning into a pursuit, I'm now believing this is

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the same guy that ran from the other jurisdiction. Um, he's still going eastbound on Tallmadge so I hand the radio over to my partner, lights and sirens are activated, a pursuit is initiated."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Things are a little more serious now because it's a pursuit. He's approaching Route 8 South like he did previously, so I'm thinking he's probably going to get on the highway just like he did to get away from us and then most likely the pursuit would end quickly after that 'cause the highway's not a safe place to chase cars 'cause usually the speeds get too fast especially for a plate light and a taillight."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "As we're on the Route 8 South bridge following him, I hear a loud pop and see the muzzle flash. I, kind of am in shock. I didn't um, expect that. I say, 'Shots fired,' to my partner and he calls out a 'Signal 21' which means emergency radio traffic, we need help, this is a big deal, we just have been shot at. He continues on Route 8 South, I kind of don't know, I've never been shot at before so I didn't know exactly what to do. So, I decide to follow him still and pursue him, but I'm staying farther back than I normally would um, just so that he can't shoot at me or continue to shoot out the windows and maybe strike any other cars."

Officer [REDACTED] explained that the vehicle pursuit continued on State Route 8 South and other APD cruisers were "in the area" because they radioed a "Signal 21," indicating that they needed help. Officer [REDACTED] said APD Car [REDACTED] entered the highway and moved in front of their cruiser and were "really close" to the subject's vehicle. Officer [REDACTED] said it was "pretty frightening at the time" because the subject "already shot at us and their in the line of sight of him."

Officer [REDACTED] said he sped up to be closer to APD Car [REDACTED] and then the subject exited the highway at Archwood Avenue. The subject led the pursuit through multiple side streets in the Firestone Park neighborhood after exiting the highway. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I remember thinking, 'This is probably going to end here soon.' 'Cause usually when cars in chases are going through side streets the person's looking to stop, jump out of the car and bail, or they could wreck. Um, I don't know what he's going to do when he gets out of that car since he already shot at us. I'm assuming he's going to continue to shoot at us. I know he has a gun. I want to get that gun."

Officer [REDACTED] said the subject drove through more streets and turned westbound on Wilbeth Road. Officer [REDACTED] saw that South Main Street was "blocked off by cruiser." Officer [REDACTED] stated, "He has nowhere else to go. This is going to end here. Uh, I know, I see his car comes to somewhat of a stop. I see Car [REDACTED] and the two officers in there, get out of the car and run up to the car. I put my car in park and me and my partner get out and run up to the car. Uh,

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I'm running up to the car, I have my gun out because I know he has a gun. He already shot at me. I don't know where the gun is. I'm trying to see his hands, I want to see his hands, I want him out of the car. I'm trying to get him into custody because he's a danger to us and now he's a danger to others since he's in a neighborhood."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Um, uh, he's not listening to any verbal commands. He, the car is actually still slow rolling 'cause he never put it into park. So, he hops out of the passenger side of the vehicle. I now see that he is wearing a ski mask now. He runs, he continues to run through the yard of the Bridgestone building where his car kind of came to a stop on Wilbeth um, his hands are down by his waistband (Officer [REDACTED] moved his hands inward, toward his center, and downward). Uh, he's looking back multiple times at officers in different directions. Um, two Tasers are deployed. I don't know who shot them, but neither of them worked. I did not shoot it."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Um, he's running. I'm running after him. I'm not very fast, but I'm getting closer to him because he's slowing down at this point. He then, still has his hands by his waistband. He slows down uh, turns around, and pulls his hand from his waistband quickly in the motion that you would if you're drawing a firearm, and points it at officers. I then raise my firearm and begin to shoot."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "After I'm done shooting uh, he's on the ground. I have, I had tunnel vision during the shooting. I didn't know exactly where I was standing when I was shooting and then I looked and he was on the ground. I uh, made sure that he was secured by some other officers uh, handcuffed him. I then walk away and have another officer that was there check me to make sure I wasn't shot 'cause I couldn't even feel anything, I didn't know if I was hurt or not. I then walk away and I'm sequestered."

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if the subject turned around during the foot pursuit. Officer [REDACTED] answered, "Yes. He looked back twice. At least." SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if the subject fully turned around at those times. Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Not at that point. He just, was just looking over his shoulders at us. His, I mean, his body was blading a little bit, but it wasn't a full 180." Officer [REDACTED] said the subject "was already at his waistband" when he fully turned around. He explained, "His hands were, (at his waistband) when he was running, facing away from us, and then he turned around and drew from the waistband and extended his arm." SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] to demonstrate what he observed the subject doing. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "His hands were down by his waistband (Officer [REDACTED] placed both hands near the front of his waistband). He's running. He turns completely

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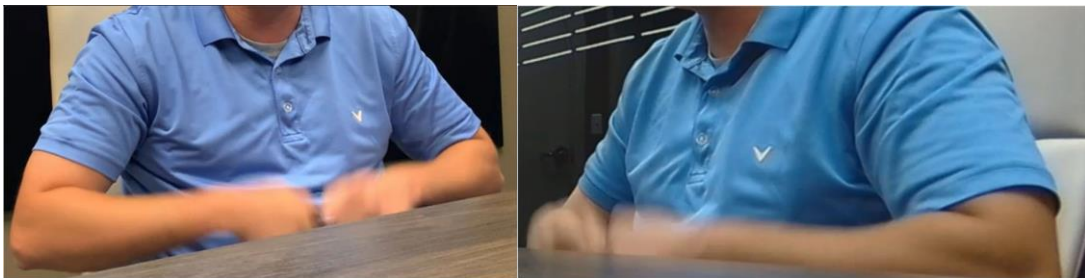


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around and fully extends his left arm (Officer ██████ raised his left arm/hand up from his front waistband and extended it fully outward at about shoulder height) and points it out. Just like that. And it was quick too.”

Still images of the movements described and demonstrated are shown below:



SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ if he saw anything else when the subject fell to the ground. Officer ██████ responded, “Yeah. He was still moving. He was still on the ground. His hands were still near his waist when he was still moving.” SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ if he recalled how many shots he fired during the incident. Officer ██████ stated, “I know I shot all of the rounds in my magazine. So, it would be 18.” SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ if he heard other gunshots around him. Officer ██████ answered, “Yes.” SA Momchilov asked, “Do you know where those were coming from?” Officer ██████ replied, “I did not at the time. I mean, I assume some were from officers, but I thought he was shooting too.”

SA Momchilov asked, “I guess one question that people are going to bring up is the 17 rounds, or the 18 rounds you fired, is there, I know it’s tough to, to go back and you said you went through

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tunnel vision and the shots fired, what prompted you to keep firing? Or what prompted you to stop firing?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "He was still moving. There was still a threat. I didn't know where the gun was. He was on the ground, he was still moving and even after I stopped firing his hands still raised." SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if there was any training he received to deal with a threat or decide to fire. Officer [REDACTED] answered, "Just to fire until the threat has been stopped."

Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) has been employed with the Akron Police Department since December 9, 2019. [REDACTED] served 10 years in the United States Air Force in the Security Forces.

On July 8, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

Officer [REDACTED] said he was patrolling with Officer [REDACTED] in their assigned district and were in the area of North Howard Street and Tallmadge Avenue when he saw the subject's vehicle with a broken taillight with the "white light facing rear." Officer [REDACTED] mentioned the vehicle to Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] checked the vehicle's registration on the MDT. Officer [REDACTED] saw that the vehicle had been involved in another incident with another police department.

The traffic signal turned green and the vehicle made a turn onto Tallmadge Avenue and headed east. Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] followed the vehicle. They talked about the "call notes" on the MDT about the vehicle and that it had been involved in a "chase." The call notes said that the driver during the chase was possibly a white male. The officers believed that a black male was driving the car as they followed it. Officer [REDACTED] also thought that maybe the driver allowed a friend to borrow the vehicle and did not know what his friend had been involved in with the vehicle. There were no warrants or other alerts associated with the vehicle. The vehicle turned southbound onto the State Route 8 on-ramp from Tallmadge Avenue. Officer [REDACTED] told Officer [REDACTED] to let the vehicle go because he did not want to make a traffic stop on the highway for a broken taillight due to safety reasons.

The officers went back to their patrol district and about "10 minutes later" they were northbound on North Howard Street and Tallmadge Avenue when the same vehicle pulled up to the same intersection again. Officer [REDACTED] said, "To me, based off of my training, that just something didn't feel right. Why would somebody who has a broken taillight go south on Route 8 and then

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get back off on whatever exit they took and come right back to the same intersection? Um, to me that didn't make any sense. So at that point I was really just trying to figure out what's going on with this car. There's got to be more than... 'cause if I had a broken taillight and a cop was behind me and I was going home I would just go home. I wouldn't come right back to the same spot where I saw a cop. So, to me something wasn't right about any of that."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "We got behind the car again. I double-checked the registration um, to make sure it was the same vehicle. At that time we uh, got about uh, Tallmadge and Thayer I believe is where my partner called out to initiate the traffic stop. Our initial intention was just to make a traffic stop, ask him about the broken taillight, try to figure out if it was the registered owner that was driving the vehicle um, just really ascertain what exactly is he doing in this area after midnight again. After he was already here. Um, you know, just give, just talk to the guy really is all we wanted to do to figure out what was going on."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Um, at that the point the vehicle did not stop for our overhead lights so we chirped the siren a few times to make sure he had our attention or he knew we were behind him. We chirped the siren a few times and he still doesn't stop. Um, we were probably going only about 30 miles an hour at that point on Tallmadge."

Officer [REDACTED] became emotional (cleared his throat and eyes teared up), and he continued, "We start to make the southbound turn or um, before we even get to the highway um, I remember our supervisor, or getting the hand mic from my partner 'cause he wasn't stopping and that's kind of our plan so he can focus on driving and then I can take over making any kind of calls on the radio um, so I took over the hand mic from my partner from our radio in the car and I remember our sergeant saying you know, 'If this is a chase, I need to hear your sirens.' So I don't remember if it was me or [REDACTED] one of us reached over and flipped on our full overhead lights and sirens so we were full lights and sirens at that point. And I remember saying you know, 'Car [REDACTED] go ahead and make it a chase. We're approaching Route 8 South uh, vehicle is signaling to go southbound on Route 8.' I was just trying to focus on where we were, what direction we were going uh, letting other units know so they can help if we need help, or what direction we're going, basically so we can get people in the area if we needed to."

Officer [REDACTED] explained, "So as uh, as we're approaching Route 8 South, and we're starting to go onto Route 8 south, in my head I'm just like, I'm dreading it because I don't want to go on the highway. I really don't want to chase a car on the highway um, in my opinion, in my head I'm thinking you know, if this goes anywhere like, close to construction or past the city, towards the city limits, we're going to cancel this chase so this is just, whatever." Officer [REDACTED]

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explained that in past experiences with pursuits on the highway, that once the vehicle leaves the city limits, the chase is canceled.

Officer █████ continued, "As we're making the turn onto 8 South I was just looking at the car and I heard a 'pop' that was a gunshot um, just based off my experience on firing ranges with firearms and my training I know what gunshots sound like from a close distance or muffled from being within a vehicle and I didn't see a gun, I saw the driver moving around and I saw, or I heard the 'pop' and I saw what I believed to be a round impact the ground in between our vehicle and the driver's vehicle. And I just remember thinking to myself, 'Did this really just happen? 'Cause this is a taillight.' (Officer █████ became emotional and his eyes teared up.) Um, and I think I was kind of just in shock like, like, I just couldn't believe it. And that's when my partner kind of snapped me out of it because he said, 'Shots fired!' and I was like, 'Oh shit, you're right.' So I still had the mic in my hand and uh, I could hear other radio traffic was going so I had to kind of wait for a second for the radio traffic to stop and then I remember I keyed it and I said, '21 shots fired.' Which is 'officer needs help.' (Officer █████ became emotional again and paused and apologized while his eyes teared up.)"

Officer █████ stated, "So, we uh, we continue um, following southbound behind the vehicle um, my partner is helping to uh, cue me what to say on the radio because that's what you do, you help each other out. So at that point, I was, I was just terrified because my thoughts were if this guy is willing to shoot at us because we were stopping him for a taillight what was he going to do to other people? To other cops? And I just remember like, like we can't let this go at this point. This is beyond, we can't cancel. We can't just let someone go that shoots. (Officer █████ was emotional during this portion and his eyes teared up.) And, we uh, we got onto Route 8 South and I was just trying to remember intersections that were coming up and exits southbound so I could call, try to call ahead of the chase to let units know to get to other exits in case the vehicle got off at other off ramps. Um, I wanted to make sure that we had units ahead of the chase because I didn't want the suspect to get off and we lose him and who knows what they do after that um, so, I remember calling out that, 'We're Route 8 South approaching the blue bridge.' The high-level bridge on Route 8, 'approaching Perkins' um, I just did my best to continue to call out where we were, where the vehicle was um, my partner was doing a really good job I thought of keeping the vehicle within distance, but not too close because at that point we didn't want to get too close to it because to us they already um, established the fact that they weren't afraid to shoot. They had already fired one shot and who knows if we get too close how many more. Uh, so, I remember I didn't even have to tell him, but I remember thinking like, 'Alright. This is good. We're about like 50 to 100 yards behind the whole time.' I remember

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traffic was light. We were never really going any faster than 80 miles an hour during the whole chase. Uh, I don't remember the exact speeds that we were going or what I called out."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "We were following the vehicle uh, traffic was light uh, vehicles were moving off to the side. For the most part, the suspect vehicle was remaining in the center lane and we were as well. Like I said, we were keeping our distance, 50 to 100 yards behind it. I don't think he was ever more than 100 yards in front of us um, and I don't think we were any closer than maybe 20 yards while we were on the highway, so we kind of fluctuated back and forth, but I just wanted to keep our distance and keep them within eyesight. Um, as we were on Route 8 south I could see other units on the um, on-ramps and off-ramps just kind of paralleling or just going next to our chase and blocking exits basically and also from my perspective they were blocking other vehicles from getting onto the highway mostly um, rather than trying to block him from getting off the highway uh, which I remember like, at the time just being like, 'Wow. I hope I remember to do that the next time something like this happens. Like, that's such a good idea to keep cars from getting on the highway.' "

Officer [REDACTED] explained, "Um, we were approaching uh, the interchange past the university, I wasn't sure, obviously, I could tell which way the vehicle was going to go at that point um, with the construction and everything and it continued southbound um, where Route 8 turns into 77 south then and I could see other vehicles, or police cruisers coming around the area of uh, I just remember looking up and seeing the Lovers Lane sign. So, I remember getting on the radio and telling like, 'Hey units that are coming on at Lovers Lane like, he's coming up on your left. He's on your left right now. Be careful because he's been moving around a lot in there and he did fire a shot through his door.' My beliefs at the time were he was, he had his gun in his hand and I don't know how or what, but I thought he shot through the actual like, door panel um, is what I thought had happened. Um, and I just wanted to make sure that other units coming on weren't pulling up directly next to him or getting in front of him."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Um, as we passed the Lovers Lane there were two units coming on um, I can't remember the one that was in the very front, but then the one behind was um, car [REDACTED] and basically when the unit in front of car [REDACTED] got on it kind of, the suspect vehicle then kind of split those two units. So then it ended up there was the unit in front, that I wasn't, I'm not sure what unit that was, the suspect vehicle, car [REDACTED] was now behind the suspect vehicle and they called out that they took over primary and I remember being like, just trying to think 'cause now I'm was the secondary behind car [REDACTED] so I was trying to remember you know, my training and if I should, I was, remember thinking like, 'Should I keep calling it out even though I'm the secondary?' Which is what's preferred if we can. But then I also remember thinking like, 'I can't

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even really see where, what that car is doing right now.' And car [REDACTED] started calling out the chase and I felt like they were doing a good job and I didn't want to mess things up for what they were doing 'cause they were handling it fine in my opinion. I don't know if the front cruiser on the highway on uh, 77 South uh, they started to slow down not like, slam on their brakes or anything they just were not going fast um, and I don't know for whatever reason at that point um, the suspect vehicle then uh, took an exit and I think their exit was at uh, Archwood is where the got off the highway and car [REDACTED] was still right behind them and we were behind car [REDACTED]. So car [REDACTED] followed the suspect vehicle and remained as primary and we remained as secondary. We followed car [REDACTED] off the exit. At that point, I wanted my partner to stay with the car in front of us and give them space enough to react, but not too much space that if they made a turn or if the driver bailed that we weren't there with them to jump out quickly um, so, I was trying to be mindful of our intersections and checking intersections and I remember just it seemed like every intersection we came to there was a cop car there blocking an intersection with their overhead lights on. And I just thought to myself like, 'I haven't been in something like this before really.' As either as a primary or a secondary in a chase, to see how this works and I just remember being like, almost in awe of everything because it almost like (Officer [REDACTED] became emotional and his eyes teared up), everything you plan in your head as far as if you want people places it was like they were there."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "And we continued um, through residential areas um, I don't recall exactly what streets we were taking in those areas uh, but we ended up on, I believe it was Wilbeth heading eastbound and I remember at some point telling my partner like, 'Keep up. Keep up.' Like, 'Stay up with him. Stay up with him.' Because I could see there were units blocking traffic at um, South Mai. And so I wasn't sure if the suspect was going to go south in the vehicle again or if they were going to keep going towards the cruisers, but I saw there was also it appeared to be some traffic that was ahead of us that was probably stopped because of the vehicles blocking."

Officer [REDACTED] stated, "We uh, we were behind Car [REDACTED] and I remember just like, a spike of adrenaline because it was almost like I could feel that something was going to happen (Officer [REDACTED] became emotional and his eyes teared up) and I couldn't quite explain it. But I just could feel like, if he starts to slow down this is where he's going to get out. It's got to be right here. And I had a spike of adrenaline and I just remember like, mixed in with the adrenaline was fear because I didn't know if the suspect was going to get out and start shooting just at cops, or other people, or what, or if they were going to run, or just give themselves up. And I just kept thinking to myself like, 'Please God just let this person get out and put their hands up.' Like, 'Just stop. Just let them stop.' (Officer [REDACTED] became emotional and his eyes teared up.) As uh, as we

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started to slow um, I felt that the car in front of us um, was slowing and the suspect vehicle I could see had kind of hopped the curb a little bit and had slowed to a roll and so I was like, 'This is it. Whatever's going to happen is about to happen now.' So I just made the decision at that point to undo my seatbelt and as soon as my partner came to as close to a stop as he did I jumped out and started running up to the suspect vehicle."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "I saw the suspect vehicle, the driver's side door open, and another cruiser came and basically used the front of their car to pin the driver's door shut um, I don't think they hit it hard, they just basically coasted their car into his car to pin the door shut from what I recall um, so I just started running up on the passenger side. There was another officer that was in front of me approaching the passenger side um, I was running up towards it. I had my pistol out and drawn, and I remember going around the officer that was towards the passenger side was sort of back I felt like, so I wanted to come around 'cause I could not see really what the suspect was doing only that he was moving inside of the vehicle. Um, so I came around that officer and was basically like, almost at like, a 90-degree angle to the passenger door and I looked in and I could the suspect was wearing a ski mask and my heart just dropped because I was like, 'Oh shit.' Like, 'The guy shot at us once already. He's got a ski mask on.' Like, this is just like, this is like a nightmare at this point. Um, an he was crawling across the front seat of the vehicle to the passenger side and I just kept, I remember I kept yelling at him, 'Stop moving! Stop moving! Stop fucking moving! Stop moving' I just wanted him to stop moving and just, hey give up, but he just kept crawling across and as he was crawling across he would have been facing the rear of the car at that point um, kind of like crawling across like, on his knees with his hands up on the seats to get across and he kept looking down as he was crawling across. And I was like, 'Why is he looking down?' Like, 'What's he going to reach up with?' And, 'Why is this happening?' "

Officer [REDACTED] stated, "Um, and he came out of the passenger side and he froze for a moment and it was like he looked at me and I was yelling like, 'Stop moving! Stop moving!' And I saw him just look, I saw his eyes and he just turned and ran and I was like, 'Shit.' Is all I could think is like, 'No. No. No. No. Don't.' Like, 'Just stop.' So, I continued yelling, 'Stop!' Um, as I am running behind I remember thinking to myself like, 'Maybe I should try to use my Taser?' Um, but then I quickly was like, 'Well, I don't want to have a Taser in my hand if he has a gun. Because I'm not going to do that. That's not going to happen.' Um, as I was starting to run I remembered hearing and seeing one Taser discharge next to me. I don't know who that was, what officer um, I just kept thinking to myself like, 'I can't lose this guy. I'm, I'm not the fastest cop, but I need to keep up with this guy at least so I can see where he's going.' Um, and I

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remember just running, we would have been running westbound through an open uh, field basically at that point uh, towards a parking lot.”

Officer [REDACTED] continued, “As we uh, we’re running I had other officers that were running the same direction as me, and they were faster than me, and at this point they’re in front of me. Um, and I remember seeing some other officers that would have been approaching the same parking lot um, from the south. So, me and I’m not even sure how many officers were basically running westbound and another group of officers it appeared to me were running northbound and we were all converging on the suspect at this time, who was in the parking lot of uh, I don’t even know what building we were at, it was a parking lot, that’s all I knew. Um, as we’re approaching, I could hear other officers yelling and I was not, I don’t think I was yelling at that point, but I was just running and I remember thinking like, ‘Please just stop. Show your hands. Just show your hands.’ Um, so we ran up on him and I heard other officers yelling and I was bringing my pistol up to basically just point it at him, because I had been running at sort of like a low ready (raised his hand to low ready position) to keep him within my sight, but still run as fast as I could. Um, and I remember as he slowed down I started to slow down because he didn’t just come to like, a complete stop. It’s like he slowed down and took a few steps and everyone, we were all running and yelling and I brought my pistol up to point at him, and as I did I remembered seeing another officer cross in front of my path, so I pulled it down out of the way, and as I was pulling it down out of the way and then moving up to get on-line with the other officer that crossed in front of my path, the suspect when he stopped, he reached down, his hands towards his beltline, and he started to turn and bring his hands up, and that’s when I heard shots being fired and started seeing muzzle flashes.”

Officer [REDACTED] explained, “Um, I didn’t shoot at that point because I was not in a safe spot. I didn’t feel to shoot with the other officers around um, I moved up on-line with the other officers as the suspect was falling to the ground. As the suspect fell to the ground I just, again, remember feeling like, like, ‘Why did this guy just not stop?’ Like, it felt like an hour ago at this point and it was like, ‘Why is this happening right now?’ Um, as he fell to the ground I was terrified because he’s still moving even if other officers are firing their weapons and I just remember thinking like, ‘Is nobody like, hitting this guy? Why?’ or like, ‘What’s happening?’ Um, I saw the suspect roll over onto his side after he fell to the ground he started to roll onto his side, and at that time I was on-line with the other officers that I was with and I felt that I was in a safe firing position and I had a good backdrop, because I was trying to remember all of my training about when am I going to fire. I’m not going to fire when there’s other cops that are going to get hurt, or other civilians, or a house, or some innocent person walking by um, and I just remember thinking to myself like, ‘I have a good backstop and he’s still moving and I don’t know what he

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did with that gun and if he still has the gun on the ground with him, it doesn't take anything to squeeze off one more round and I'm not going to let that happen to me or to the other officers or to some innocent person that's just walking on the sidewalk that wants to see what's going on.' (Officer ██████ became emotional and his eyes teared up.) And so I fired two or three rounds and I saw the suspect roll back over onto his stomach and I remember thinking myself like, 'Ok, like, like, I, I hit him. I don't know like, what else is going on.' But in my head I was like, 'I stopped him from moving because he rolled back over and he's on his stomach now.' And I remember at that time I just kind of reverted back to my training and felt like the threat at that time we needed to reassess because he was down."

Officer ██████ continued, "And so I remember and looking to my left and motioning to cease fire (used left forearm and hand to wave up and down) and just doing this motion. And then I remember thinking like, I couldn't remember if we trained this in the academy like, this hand motion, but I knew we did it in the military. This was our hand motion for cease fire (waved left forearm and hand up and down). So I just started yelling, 'Cease fire! Cease fire! Cease fire!' and making this motion (waved left forearm and hand up and down) and people stopped shooting. And I could hear another officer when I was yelling it, yelling it as well um, another officer that was off to my left at that time so I wasn't sure if they started yelling it when I did or if they had just heard it and started repeating the commands but, I just remember thinking like, 'Ok, good, like, we're, we've all like, regained our focus like, the adrenaline we need to like, dial it in.' So I just kept thinking about like, what's the next step? And we came on line um, I remember yelling it and hearing other officers yelling you know, 'Get on line! Get on line! Everybody good? Is everybody ok?' Like, 'Yeah, we're ok.' And then um, I remember officers yelling like you know, somebody was yelling, 'Where's the gun? Where's the gun?' Another officer, I heard another officer yelling like, 'Somebody glove up and get ready to move up and cuff.' "

Officer ██████ explained he was covering the subject with his pistol and other officers approached the subject. The officers began "condensing" their formation (moved hands into an L-shaped formation) as they approached the subject. Officer ██████ moved his pistol to a low ready position and he grabbed his flashlight and held it up to illuminate the subject. Other officers handcuffed the subject and searched him. Officers then began to administer medical aid. A supervisor said that any officer that fired needed to be sequestered.

SA Moran asked Officer ██████ about the moments when he witnessed the subject reach toward the front of his waistband and then saw his hands raise up and if he could describe it and demonstrate it. Officer ██████ responded, "It was more of a twisting fashion from my

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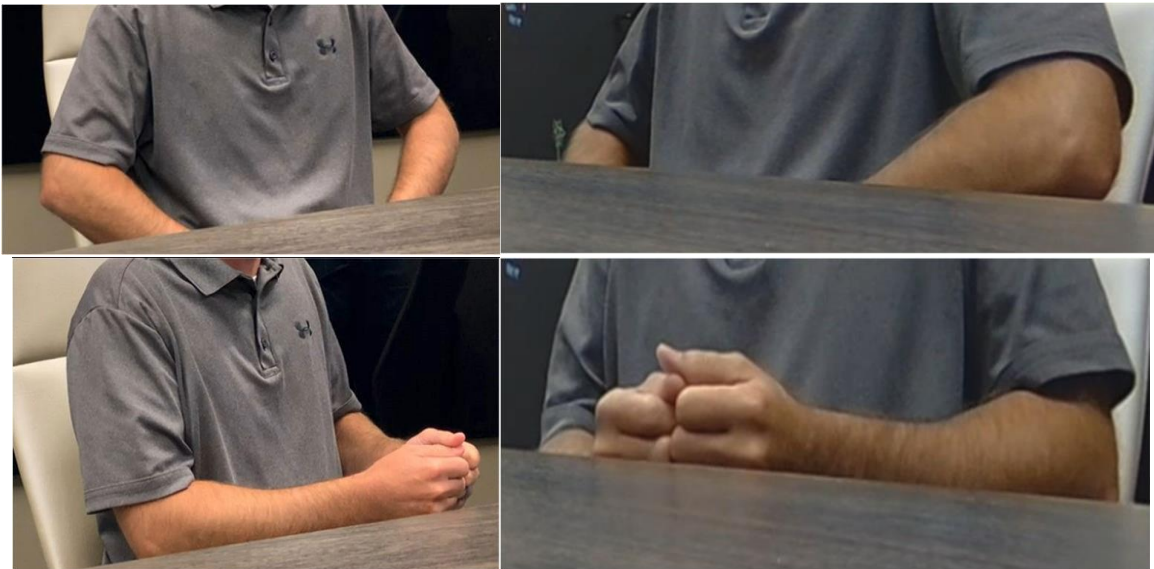


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perspective because there were other people moving in my peripheral vision that was kind of all a blur because I had like, really I just had like bad tunnel vision on the middle of this guy's back. So, I can just remember seeing like, it just seemed like big, chunky movements of like, his upper body like slouch down and his hands went to his waistband."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "It was almost when his upper body slouched his elbows kicked out and I remember seeing his elbows kick out and then condense back in."



Officer [REDACTED] continued, "So they kicked out and then they condensed back in and his upper body again, started to like, raise up as he started to turn towards officers that would have been approaching from the south." SA Moran asked Officer [REDACTED] about any other motions that he saw the subject make. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I don't recall seeing actually, I didn't, I don't recall seeing his hands actually come up or anything in like a full presentation at that point um, I was still at that point closing in and trying to get on line and so I was..." Officer [REDACTED] confirmed that he heard a gunshot at that time and saw muzzle flashes.

Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) has been employed with the Akron Police Department since August 8, 2018. Officer [REDACTED] served four years active duty in the United States Army and four years in the National Guard as an Intelligence Analyst.

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On July 6, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

Officer [REDACTED] advised the he and his partner, Officer [REDACTED] were working Car [REDACTED] and they were in their assigned district. Officer [REDACTED] explained that he heard another car broadcast over the radio a traffic stop that eventually lead to a pursuit. Officer [REDACTED] advised that the pursuit was too far north of them, so he and Officer [REDACTED] decided, "We weren't gonna be going anywhere near this pursuit until the Signal 21 came out." Officer [REDACTED] advised that he and Officer [REDACTED] decided to head toward the pursuit because "Signal 21 means officer needs help."

Officer [REDACTED] explained, at that point, he heard the pursuit got onto Route 8 South, which was toward Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] s location. Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] then proceeded toward Main Street and then entered 76 East, heading toward Route 8. Once at Route 8, Officer [REDACTED] advised he heard that the pursuit was going through the central interchange. Officer [REDACTED] explained that at the central interchange, construction was being performed. Officer [REDACTED] stated that they were on the right side of the concrete barrier and were able to see the "suspect vehicle" pass them on the left. Officer [REDACTED] advised that upon that vehicle passing them, they were unable to see another cruiser in close proximity. Officer [REDACTED] stated that he and Officer [REDACTED] looked behind them and observed a cruiser approximately 100 yards to the rear. Officer [REDACTED] stated that he and Officer [REDACTED] made the decision to get behind the fleeing vehicle. Officer [REDACTED] also stated that another cruiser was right in front of them, but it appeared that that cruiser "overshot the suspect."

At this point in time, Officer [REDACTED] stated, "We called out over the radio that we were gonna be the primary pursuing vehicle." Officer [REDACTED] handed Officer [REDACTED] the car mic and Officer [REDACTED] began calling out the pursuit. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "The suspect then made the decision, which I believe due to the fact that there was a car in front of him, to quickly get off at Archwood. Uh, at that point in time, I continued to call out our direction of travel, the streets that we were on, his speeds. Uh, we went over several other streets until we hit Wilbeth." Officer [REDACTED] advised once on Wilbeth, he was able to see other cruisers at the corner of Wilbeth and Main Street in a possible blockade-type formation.

Officer [REDACTED] stated, "As soon as, uh, he saw that, we believe that the suspect realized that he was getting boxed in at that time, and he started to slow down the vehicle. Upon slowing down the vehicle, I exited the passenger side, and my partner exited the driver's side. Uh, we approached the vehicle, were able to see that he was reaching all around, looked like he had his,

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his butt in his seat and was reaching all around to the center console, to the glovebox and the passenger seat. Uh, I saw another cruiser attempt to, uh, block his vehicle in by putting their cruiser up to the driver's side door. Uh, we began to shout at him to stop what he was doing, stop the vehicle, 'cause it was still rolling along, and exit the vehicle with his hands up. At this point in time, he exited the vehicle on the passenger side of the vehicle and began a foot pursuit, with us. Uh, during the foot pursuit, I was pretty close behind him. Uh, I had my firearm out originally. I put my firearm down to my righthand side, and I pulled out my Taser. I was able to hear two other Tasers go off. I believe one was on my left-hand side, and one was on my righthand side. Uh, I did not fire my Taser. Um, upon getting into the parking lot, I witnessed the suspect slowdown from a dead sprint into a jog. I saw him pull both of his hands towards his stomach and to his waistband area. Uh, the suspect then came to a complete stop and made an abrupt turn at us into a firing position and pulled one hand up, pointed it towards us, and at that point in time, I dropped my Taser, I moved to the right, and I pulled out my firearm, and beginning to shoot."

Officer [REDACTED] was then asked if he could demonstrate the motion he stated the individual had made; Officer [REDACTED] agreed.



Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I saw him reach in like this."



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Officer [REDACTED] continued, “And then I saw him turn towards us in a manner and with his arm extended.”

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if the motion that he just demonstrated led him to believe something? Officer [REDACTED] replied, “Yes, due to the fact that officers had already called out the fact that he had fired a round, the fact that we knew he had a firearm, and his actions made me perceive that he was pulling out a firearm to shoot at us.”

SA Momchilov then asked Officer [REDACTED] if he could see the individual's hands or if he was reacting to the movement the individual was making. Officer [REDACTED] replied, “I could not see his hands. I just knew that, his exact movements, and no normal person makes those movements unless they're going to present themselves like they're shooting a firearm.” SA Momchilov then stated, “So that caused you to begin firing.” Officer [REDACTED] replied, “Yes.”

SA Momchilov then asked Officer [REDACTED] what caused him to continue to fire. Officer [REDACTED] stated, “Uh, in my mind, I was unsure if I was the only person firing or if there was any, uh, anybody else firing, but I heard other gunshots, and with his actions, I assumed that he was shooting at me.”

SA Momchilov then stated, “So, you couldn't tell, the other gunshots, who they were coming from?” Officer [REDACTED] stated, “I could not, until I stopped shooting. Uh, I realized that somebody was calling, cease fire and that I had to reload. At that point in time, I was able to tell that other officers were shooting.” Officer [REDACTED] also stated that he fired a total of 18 shots. SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if the actions of the other officers involved had anything to do with his decision to fire. Officer [REDACTED] stated, “It did not, um, I thought I was the only

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person firing, due to his actions. Um, I was directly behind him, and I thought that he was going to be firing rounds at me or anybody else around me. I knew that there was multiple officers in this foot pursuit. I wasn't sure how many people were around us."

SA Moran stated, "So, we talked a lot about, um, the decision to shoot, and then, I think, the continuing, uh, shooting. Whereabout, what made you, uh, stop shooting?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "I heard the cease fire, uh, I saw that he was no longer moving. I knew that I did not need to, we're taught to shoot until the, uh, the issue is neutralized, and at that point in time, I knew it was."

SA Momchilov then asked, "What caused you to fire so many rounds?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Because I thought he was shooting at me, I heard gunshots going off, but I did not hear people left and right of me shooting. I thought the gunshots that I was hearing was coming from him." SA Momchilov then asked, "Could you see any, was he making any movements?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Yes, both of his arms were out, and he was moving on the, moving all around."

SA Moran asked, "When he, when he turned around at you, and he makes the motion out with his hand and extends it out at you, at you – And, um, uh, is that fair to say? It's at you?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "I thought it was at me yes, because I was directly behind him. Like I said, I had my Taser in my left hand. I was getting ready to tase him when he did his actions."

SA Moran then asked, "What did you think was gonna happen to you at that point?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "I thought I was gonna get shot, or I thought somebody around me was gonna get shot."

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] "If you knew he had a gun, why, why bring your Taser out at all?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "I was hoping to subdue him. I mean at this point in time, I just wanted to stop him from running... And I knew that there was other officers there. We're taught to also have, uh, nah, lethal and non-lethal coverage. I knew that, with the chances of everybody else there, that, likely, somebody else had lethal coverage around me, and so, I was trying to just stop him."

SA Momchilov responded, "So, you were attempting to use, I guess, a differ, uh, alternative to deadly force at that point?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Yes."



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Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] has been employed with the Akron Police Department since December 9, 2019. Prior to that, Officer [REDACTED] served as a police officer for two and a half years in southern Georgia. Officer [REDACTED] served six years in the United States Air Force Security Forces

On July 11, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

Officer [REDACTED] stated that he was working Car [REDACTED] with his partner, Officer [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] explained that he and Officer [REDACTED] were in the general area of Main Street by Aldi's, near the intersection of Victory Street and Long Street. Officer [REDACTED] advised that he heard Car [REDACTED] (Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] initiate a traffic stop. Officer [REDACTED] then advised he heard them (Car [REDACTED] broadcast Signal 5 (emergency radio traffic only) and then, "He's taken off, make it a chase." Officer [REDACTED] explained, at this point, he and Officer [REDACTED] decided, because they were so far away from Car [REDACTED] to head toward Main Street to see if the pursuit would come their way. Officer [REDACTED] advised, as they were heading toward Main Street, he heard, "21, shots fired, he's shooting from the door." (Signal 21 is officer needs help.) Officer [REDACTED] explained, when he heard that radio traffic, "All bets are off, I'm going, I'm going to go help, I'm gonna go help my fellow officers."

Officer [REDACTED] stated he remembered getting on 76 East when he heard radio traffic that the pursuit was on Route 8 South. Officer [REDACTED] advised, at that point, he knew that there was only one way for them to go and that was to hit 77 South. Officer [REDACTED] then took 76 East to the 77 South exit. When Officer [REDACTED] exited the highway to get onto 77 South, he looked out the driver-side door, over the concrete barriers, and observed emergency lights behind him and then the "suspect vehicle coming from the highway." At this time, Officer [REDACTED] advised he heard Officer [REDACTED] state over the radio, "There are two cruisers in front of us, use caution, he shot at us." Officer [REDACTED] advised he believed Officer [REDACTED] was warning other officers to be careful. Officer [REDACTED] advised that he noticed that they [Car [REDACTED] was "kind far back."

Officer [REDACTED] explained that once the vehicle (fleeing vehicle) passed them, he looked at Officer [REDACTED] and they both agreed that they would take over the pursuit as the lead vehicle. Officer [REDACTED] stated that he handed the car radio over to Officer [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] then notified their supervisors that they were now the primary vehicle in the pursuit and then began transmitting directions, speeds and traffic conditions.

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Officer [REDACTED] advised that he recalled exiting the highway as they were pursuing the vehicle but does not remember which exit. Officer [REDACTED] explained that he and Officer [REDACTED] continued to follow the vehicle as primary, chasing the vehicle on side roads. Officer [REDACTED] stated he could not remember which side roads they travelled on during the pursuit.

Officer [REDACTED] advised, when they traveled onto Wilbeth Road, he observed other police vehicles sitting stationary at Wilbeth Road and Main Street. According to Officer [REDACTED] it was at this point that the vehicle they were pursuing started to slow down and then pull off to the side of the road. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I saw the driver's door open. I put my car in park behind his car. I got out, I did draw my firearm. Um, I gave verbal commands for him to stop moving and show me his hands. When he got out of the driver's side door, him and I locked eyes, and he immediately went back into, into the driver's side door into the car. Um, I could see him reaching around. I was trying to get a better position, uh, to see what he was doing. I couldn't see inside the car, I don't know what he was doing, I don't know what he was reaching for. Um, the car was still moving. I remember there was trees on the side of the road. Uh, at that point in time, I saw the passenger side door open, and I went around behind his vehicle to the passenger side door. I saw him get out of the car. I saw that he was, he was wearing a ski mask. Um, then he started running away from us. Um, when he was running away from us, his back was to me. I was chasing after him. I put my firearm back in my holster. I drew my Taser, and I thought to myself, you know, based on my, all my training with my Taser, the back is the perfect, is the primary target to achieve NMI or neuromuscular incapacitation. I thought that if I can end this foot chase with deploying my Taser, I was gonna do it, so I deployed my Taser and with, it didn't have any effect. He continued to run. At that point in time, I remember, when he reached the concrete pad, and I saw him turn towards us, slow down running, turn towards us, and if you don't mind, I would like to be able to show you what he, what he did."

Officer [REDACTED] then demonstrated the motion that he stated the individual performed.



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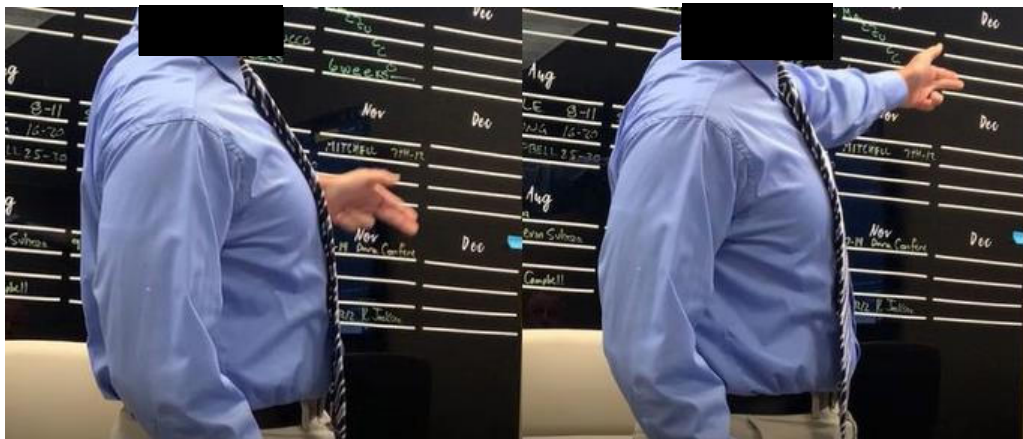
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Officer [REDACTED] stated, "He's going back like, this and I saw him go like this."



Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Then another time."



Officer [REDACTED] continued, "And then go like this."

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Officer [REDACTED] continued, "And then, at that point in time, I threw my Taser on the ground, I drew my firearm, and I fired. When, uh, I saw him roll towards the ground, I continued to fire, and when he was on the ground, I still saw his hands, um, reaching around. I didn't know where the gun was. I didn't know, uh, what he was reaching for, but when he did go like this the second time, I heard a, I heard a pop, and I thought that he fired his gun. I thought he fired his gun at the officers, and I was afraid that he shot one of my fellow officers, and I was afraid that he was gonna shoot me. Um, when I stopped firing, I ejected my magazine. I reloaded. Um, after I reloaded, I still saw his hand moving, so I con, I still gave him verbal commands for him to stop moving, and I remember walking up, we all got on line. I remember walking up to him. I turned around, and I holstered my firearm, and I went, uh, I walked away and put my head in between my legs."

SA Momchilov stated to Officer [REDACTED] "You said you started chasing him, and you drew your Taser." Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Yes, sir." SA Momchilov responded, "Do you believe he was still armed at that point?" Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I don't know, but I thought to myself that if I can, if I can use my Taser and achieve NMI and get him on the ground, that this, uh, this was probably, I was willing to take that, that risk."

SA Momchilov explained to Officer [REDACTED] that he initially stated that the individual's back was facing him and that's why he deployed the Taser. SA Momchilov then asked Officer [REDACTED] if the individual's back was facing him when he observed the individual make the motion that Officer [REDACTED] previously demonstrated.

Officer [REDACTED] explained that when the individual made the motion, the individual was facing him. Officer [REDACTED] continued, "So I had a perfect, perfect visual of him doin' this and then goin' up like this." As Officer [REDACTED] made those statements, he once again demonstrated the motion he stated the individual made. SA Momchilov stated, "And I think you said he did that a second time (reaching to waistband area). Officer [REDACTED] once again demonstrated the motions.



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Officer █████ stated, “I saw him go like this”...“and then go like this.”

SA Momchilov replied, “You said, at that point, that’s when you heard the gunfire.” Officer █████ responded, “I did.” SA Momchilov then stated, “And you shot at that point.” Officer █████ replied, “Yes.”

SA Moran later advised that during Officer █████’s demonstrations of the motion he stated the individual made, Officer █████ used his finger and pointed it like a gun (finger gun). SA Moran asked if the individual used his finger in the same manner. Officer █████ stated, “I saw the hand go up like this.” Officer █████ once again demonstrated the motion he stated the individual made. SA Moran asked, “So you saw that motion, um, come out. What, in your training and experience, what does that, what does that lead you to believe?” Officer █████ replied, “That is a shooting stance.” Officer █████ continued, “Somebody drew, was going to – I perceived that he was drawing a firearm from his waistband and coming up to take shots at us from a shooting stance.”

SA Moran then asked, “Is there any other reason that you know of that someone would take that posture or make that movement?” Officer █████ responded, “There is no other reason that I would believe anybody would do that unless they had a, unless they were trying to shoot us.”

SA Momchilov then asked Officer █████ if he could tell if any other officers were firing. Officer █████ responded, “I had, at that point in time, I had – they always talk about tunnel vision, but I don’t know. I didn’t know any other officers fired at that point. I thought it was just me. I, uh, I was so tunnel, tunnel vision and locked in on him that I thought it was just me firing.” SA Momchilov responded, “Okay. So I guess what I’m getting at, is you made your own conscious

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decision to fire, based on what you saw, not what other officers were doing." Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I based my conscious decision off what I saw."

Officer [REDACTED] responded, "Like I say, I, uh, that, that was probably the most frightened I've ever been for my life and my officer, and my fellow officers. I believe that he was trying to shoot my fellow officers or me. I believe he was trying to do that to, to either get away, or I believe that, you know, something else could've, you know, he was thinking something else."

SA Momchilov stated to Officer [REDACTED] "So you, you mentioned or you discussed or we discussed the reason why you started firing. Do you recall what made you stop firing?" Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I stopped, uh, I stopped firing when the threat stopped. I shot until I saw that the threat was stopped."

SA Momchilov replied, "Okay. I guess some people might say that you fired in excess. I mean, do you have a response to that?" Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I shot until the threat was stopped. When he was on the ground, he was still moving. People could still shoot guns from the ground. Um, people still reach for guns on the ground. I shot until the threat was stopped."

SA Momchilov asked if the individual was still upright when Officer [REDACTED] initially fired. Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I believe so....I believe, I believe he was either upright or, uh, mid roll." SA Momchilov asked, "Mid roll on the, on the ground?" Officer [REDACTED] stated, "Mid roll as in him falling to the ground."

Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] has been employed with the Akron Police Department since June 27, 2016. Officer [REDACTED] served eight and a half years in the United States Coast Guard as a Boatswain Mate.

On July 8, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

Officer [REDACTED] explained that on the night of the incident, he and his partner, Officer [REDACTED] were working Car [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] had just finished a call and were adding notes to the car computer, when Officer [REDACTED] heard over the radio that Car [REDACTED] (Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] were attempting to conduct a traffic stop. Officer [REDACTED]

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██████████ stated that the vehicle that Car ██████████ was attempting to stop, failed to stop and a pursuit ensued.

Officer ██████████ explained that even though the pursuit was a distance away from him, he decided to drive towards downtown from their patrol area to make sure they were available to block streets if the vehicle pursuit neared them. Officer ██████████ stated, as he was driving towards downtown, he heard over the radio, "Signal 21"; which according to Officer ██████████ is code for "all available units" and that shots had been fired from the vehicle that Car ██████████ was pursuing.

Officer ██████████ stated, at that point the parameters of the chase changed, and Officer ██████████ advised he was concerned for the safety and wellbeing of the individuals involved in the chase, as well as the general public. Officer ██████████ stated that the pursuit proceeded south on Route 8, and Officer ██████████ continued south on Main Street towards the area of Wilbeth Road and Main Street. Once in the area of Wilbeth Road and Main Street, Officer ██████████ stated he observed other cruisers had that intersection blocked. Officer ██████████ decided to go east, approximately one block to the intersection of Clairmont Avenue and Wilbeth Road.

Officer ██████████ then stated, "As the pursuit was westbound on Wilbeth from, uh, Brown Street. Um, I observed the vehicle that was being pursued, uh, slowing as it approached our stationary position and made a decision to drive the cruiser towards, uh, the subject's vehicle, and as we were approaching the subject's vehicle, I observed the driver's door of the car open up, and the subject put his feet onto the ground, uh, as the car was slowly creeping forward, uh, in a western, a western track. Um, I then made a decision to use the cruiser's push bumper to hit the open driver's door, uh, at which time, I observed the subject, uh, fall back into the vehicle, um, and then I immediately saw the subject get up onto his knees in the front seat of the car, uh, with his back facing the windshield and him watching other officers approach the vehicle on foot. Uh, while he was on his knees, he was frantically moving his hands around the, both the driver's side and the passenger side seat, uh, and I believed that he was looking for something, um, and I believed that he was looking for his handgun or a gun that had been used in the previous shots fired. Um, the vehicle, the subject's vehicle continued to roll slowly. Um, I parked the cruiser and exited the driver's side door of my cruiser and drew my service pistol. Um, my service pistol does have a weapon-mounted light on it, and I turned my weapon-mounted light on and was approaching the subject's vehicle when I observed him exit the passenger side door, front passenger side door and begin running on foot."

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Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Um, when he exited the vehicle, I saw, um, a clear picture that he did not have anything in his hands, and he did a stutter step, almost like a juke move is the best way that I can describe it, and then he completed a 360-degree turn and continued running, uh, in a northern direction through an open field. Um, I still had my service weapon in my hand and began to pursue on foot after the subject, um, and when I, when, as we continued, as I continued to run, I observed, um, an officer, Officer [REDACTED] on my right flank and Officer [REDACTED] on my left flank, um, both of which I could see had Tasers out, and I could see dot, uh, the Taser dots on the back of the subject's back. Um, knowing that I was in the middle of both of the Tasers, uh, and I believed that we were in a close enough proximity to, um, the subject for the Tasers to be effective, I holstered my service weapon and prepared for the Tasers, uh, in, in attempting to go hands on with the subject without a weapon in my, uh, hand, a firearm in my hand. Uh, I observed that the Tasers both failed and, um, we continued running in the northern direction when we hit the parking lot portion of that campus. When, uh, when we hit the parking lot portion of the camp, of the campus, um, I observed the subject slow down, plant his left foot, reach with both hands towards his appendix area of his body that was facing away from us and simultaneously turn his hips in a clockwise direction and raise his arm. Um, at the split instance of that, I was immediately fearful for my life and for the safety and wellbeing of my partners, and I believed that he had fired a shot because I heard an extremely early gunshot, um, as he was turning around. Uh, I immediately took evasive action and, uh, ran left, uh, so which would have been, like, in a westerly track, uh, drew my service weapon from my holster and fired four rounds. Um, I fired my four rounds, uh, and observed that they were effective. I could still see the subject moving and rolling, and I began calling cease fire. Um, I don't know approximately how many times that I called cease fire, but I did say cease fire, uh, and I was, I was calling cease fire because I did, I knew that my rounds were effective, um, and I also had an unknown amount of officers that were in a position behind me that I was in a very small corridor window, uh, of their directional fire and was extremely concerned for, uh, being struck by friendly fire or another officer, uh, being struck by friendly fire because I knew that there were quite a few people that were out there."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "Once the shooting was complete, uh, I called on the radio that we had shots fired by the police, that we were okay, that EMS needed to be summonsed, um, and then, uh, I instructed everyone to get online, uh, to check over ourselves and then, uh, another officer came up and, um, we all collectively approached the subject as he was laying on the ground. Um, when I got to the subject, there were, um, I didn't immediately go down and kneel down to the subject and, and personally render him aid. There were already individuals that were doing that. Um, I offered my tourniquet, uh, which was not needed as they already had some, and then, um, I looked for my partner. Uh, I found her and I asked her if she had been involved in the

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incident. She stated yes. I removed her from the area. We walked south towards the, um, to the sidewalk, um, and then I shut my camera off, and then I instructed her to shut her camera off, and then we were met by Sergeant Tersigni, um, who took our cameras from us, and then we were sequestered.”

Agents then began to ask Officer [REDACTED] follow-up questions.

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if he felt that the individual was trying exit the vehicle from the driver's side. Officer [REDACTED] responded, “Yes, I do.” SA Momchilov then responded, “Okay. And then you, you used your push bar, kinda shut the door. Would that be fair to say?” Officer [REDACTED] advised, “It was a, it was not a, it was not a strike. Um, I did slow down because I did see his feet on the ground, and what I did not want to do is to incapacitate him, um, by, by completely T-boning the vehicle. Um, so I did slow down on my approach, uh, and it ended up just being a, I don't wanna call it a tap, but I, uh, a graceful closing of the door, uh, forceful closing of the door uh, where he, he could not use that in the egress point.”

SA Momchilov stated, “Okay. And I believe you also said you saw him on his knees moving around which you thought he was looking for a handgun.”

Officer [REDACTED] responded, “Yes, so, um, in my six years as being a police officer, I have been a part of numerous amounts of pursuits that have ended in the apprehesh, apprehension of subjects, um, and I have in my career never seen any type of, um, any type of, of that movement in a pursuit. Um, after the vehicle is stopped, most of the time, people just get out of the car and run, or they stay in the car, and we take them into, uh, into custody without any further incidents. Um, knowing that there had been a shot fired from the subject's vehicle, um, when he went back into the vehicle and got up onto his knees and was watching my partners as they were approaching, I believed that with his hand movements being right and then left and then back over to the right, and at the same time, he was also moving his body completely, I believed that he was searching for his firearm.”

SA Momchilov then stated that Officer [REDACTED] had previously mentioned that two officers fired their Tasers and their Tasers failed. SA Momchilov then asked Officer [REDACTED] if he could explain how he knew the Tasers had failed.

Officer [REDACTED] responded, “I observed Officer [REDACTED] on my right flank, uh, deploy his Taser first. I heard the audible sound of the Taser, um, I, and prior to the audible sound, I did see a red laser dot on the back of the subject. Um, I sup, I saw that, heard the audible pop, and then I

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cont'd to see the subject running. Um, I do not know if the probes were, um, high, low, left, right. I, I, I, I just know that when, um, an individual who is fleeing in, or, or any individual that is struck with probe, Taser probes, um, in the manner that he, that the subject would have been, it would have been an immediate incapacitation, um, and, and, his body would have fallen to the ground. Um, and I knew that, that did not work with, uh, Officer [REDACTED]'s. Uh, the same goes or Officer [REDACTED]. Um, I observed his red dot, and I had heard the audible pop, and, again, I did not see the immediate neuromuscular incapacitation that we, that I generally see when a Taser is deployed."

SA Momchilov stated, "You said the subject was rolling after, after you fired you, your weapon." Officer [REDACTED] advised that was correct. SA Momchilov then asked if he could see the individual's hands at that point.

Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I could not definitively see his hands. I don't believe that, um, I don't believe that at any time while, uh, other than his immediate turning and pointing with his visually see the person off to my left. I could see the muzzle flash of their firearm, um, and then I could additionally feel an unknown amount of rounds from an unknown amount of officers coming from behind me, um, and, and, uh, past me."

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if his decision to fire was based upon the actions of the other officers involved or if it was based upon what he was observing. Officer [REDACTED] advised that he made his own decision to fire and stated, "Um, as I was trailing behind him during the foot chase, um, the, it, when I observed him, I, when I observed the subject slow down, uh, it was an indicator that something was going to happen, um, whether that be him to give up or catch his breath and run again, I'd, I'd, I slowed up myself, um, and then the individual actions that I observed from the subject where he reached tow, slowed down, planted his foot, reached towards his appendix, um, and then brought, while rotating his hips, brought his arm out, um, to a firing stance. Uh, and then that, in and of itself, I, a decision to fire had been made. Um, and then I heard immediately following, uh, I guess you could simultaneously as I saw his hand emerging from, I was on a bladed stance to him, I saw his hand emerge. I heard the sound of a gunshot, and I believed that it was him shooting at us. Um, and that is when I stepped off line, eh, eh, uh, uh, re, uh, ah, unholstered my, my service weapon and fired, and I made that conscious decision based off of those actions and what I heard and observed."

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if he later learned that the individual was unarmed. Officer [REDACTED] stated he did later learn that. SA Momchilov then asked, "I guess in your, in



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your opinion that action that the, that you described that the individual was doing, do you, does that, do you find that surprising now that the subject was unarmed?"

Officer [REDACTED] responded, "Absolutely surprising because there was no reason for him to take a, a postured pointing of a firearm stance. Um, there is, there is no other, there is no other, um, choice of words that I can describe, mm, mm, that the only people that I have ever seen in my time in the military, uh, and in, in the time as being a police officer, um, those direct actions of reaching, turning and pointing is a postured, um, firearm stance that is taught to most anyone." SA Moran asked if there was any cover or concealment for officers in the parking lot area that the subject ran to. Officer [REDACTED] advised, "No. Um, there is a very small diameter tree, um, but the, there, there is no cover or concealment. It would not, I do not believe that it would stop a round."

SA Moran asked Officer [REDACTED] if he had a better vantagepoint of the individual when the individual was on the ground, which caused him to stop shooting and yell, "cease fire," or what particularly caused him to yell, "cease fire."

Officer [REDACTED] explained, "I would, I believe that I was within 20 feet of the subject, uh, while firing my weapon. Um, and, and I knew that in, I knew that I had, I believed that I had put accurate fire on the subject. Um, and I heard that there were other gunshots, um, but the, I think one of the main reasons why I called cease fire is because I, I was, I believed that I was gonna get shot by another officer. That I don't know how many were behind me, um, but I co, I could, I could hear their, I could hear their guns being fired, and I could hear the crack of bullets flying past my head, and, um, I, I could not move far left because there was another officer firing, and I could not move any right because there were multiple officers firing, and one of the decisions that I made was to stop firing because there were other officers firing, and I felt, um, that I, that my rounds were accurate. Um, eh, eh, and then the cause for cease fire was, was a combination of accurate rounds and the circumstances surrounding me, um, that cont'd that I didn't want to get hit."

SA Moran followed up with Officer [REDACTED]'s statement by asking, "So it, your decision to stop firing, or call a cease fire, was not because you could clearly see the subject's hands at that point."

Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I could not see, I could not see definitively his hands. I could not see objects around him. All I could, all I could see, um, was the fact that he was, again, vigorously



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moving as soon as he fell to the ground, and then he was almost rolling as if it was a barrel roll to, to exit, a, a situation, um, and, and it was on his own power.”

Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) has been employed with the Akron Police Department since February 22, 2021. Prior to that, Officer [REDACTED] served as a police officer for approximately three and a half years for the [REDACTED] Police Department.

On July 12, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

Officer [REDACTED] explained that she was working Car [REDACTED] with her partner, Officer [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] was the driver and Officer [REDACTED] was the passenger. Officer [REDACTED] advised she heard Car [REDACTED] (Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED]) broadcast over the radio that they were making a traffic stop. Shortly after, Car [REDACTED] advised that the vehicle was not stopping and a pursuit ensued. Car [REDACTED] then broadcasted over the radio that the driver of the fleeing vehicle had “shot one time at them.” Car [REDACTED] then broadcasted that they were okay but that the driver did shoot at them.

Officer [REDACTED] explained that her and Officer [REDACTED] were never directly involved in the pursuit but that they did travel to the area in which Car [REDACTED] was traveling to. Officer [REDACTED] further explained that when her and Officer [REDACTED] arrived in the area of Wilbeth Road and Clairmont Avenue, she observed the “suspect vehicle,” as well as cruisers traveling westbound on Wilbeth Road. Officer [REDACTED] stated they were stationary on Clairmont Avenue when they observed the “suspect vehicle.”

Officer [REDACTED] stated, “We saw Mr. Walker’s vehicle come to a slow stop. Usually, when that happens, the driver is either going to stop or they’re going to, uh, flee on foot so Officer [REDACTED] had positioned our cruiser in a way that we pin the driver side door as Mr. Walker was attempting to get out, um, that prevented him from being able to exit from the vehicle and he got back into the passenger compartment and the vehicle continued to roll, um, because he, it was never placed in park. When I got out of my cruiser on the passenger side, I did have my weapon out due to him already shooting at officers and still actively trying to flee. Uh, he was in the passenger compartment while officers were giving him many commands to, to stop, to show his hands.”

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Officer [REDACTED] continued, "He exited from the passenger side vehicle and led officers on a foot pursuit. Uh, as we were pursuing him, I did hear two Tasers go off that were ineffective. Obviously, um, Mr. Walker had kept running. That's how I knew they were ineffective and as we approached into the parking lot where the incident took place, um, so we approached in like a V formation. I was in the back of that, like in the middle, and as we were going into the parking lot, Mr. Walker slowed down, turned and did a cross draw, um, as if he was reaching for a firearm, um, from his left side, his hip waistband area. And then his arm came up. Um, I already believed that Mr. Walker was armed because he did already shoot at officers. He was digging around in the car and then he, he did take off on foot from officers. Um, at that point, when I saw him cross draw and lift his arm up, I did hear one shot that I believed was at my direction because of the way the, um, Mr. Walker was facing. Um, he, I heard the one shot and I immediately dodged out of the way to the left, um, because I believed if he shot again that I would be not at the same place that he last saw me and I tried to get up online so that I could return fire. I was a little bit farther back than the officer right next to me so I had to make sure that I, I got up far enough, um, so that the, that officer did not move into my line of fire. Um, I did discharge my weapon and I stopped, um, shooting when I heard another officer say cease fire and I did see Mr. Walker on the ground."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "At this point, I did tell other officers on my left side, I verbalized to them that I could still see Mr. Walker's right hand moving and I didn't know what was over there, and I could see on his left side, he did not have a firearm or anything, any other weapon or anything on his left side on the ground or in his hand, but I could not see that right side that was still moving. Um, at that point, we all moved in and as other officers were checking him, um, I did, uh, handcuff him and then my partner and I walked away from the scene where we were shortly separated and put into cruisers with other officers."

SA Momchilov then stated, "And I believe, you said as they're chasing the individual, you were kind of in the back, is that correct?" Officer [REDACTED] advised that it was. SA Momchilov then replied, "And you saw him do a cross draw. Um, could you maybe elaborate on that or maybe demonstrate what, what you observed?"

Officer [REDACTED] responded, "So as we were, as we got closer up into the parking lot, um, officers had kind of spread out more. Um, I could clearly see Mr. Walker and as he was running away from me, from all of us, he slowly turned around..."



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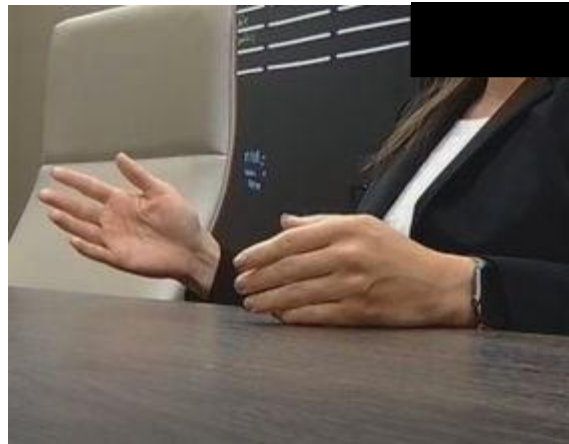


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Officer [REDACTED] stated, “then quickly reached down to his left side, uh, his left hip with his right arm.”



Officer [REDACTED] continued, “and then raised his arm up and then I heard that shot and believed that he shot at me, as well as the officers that were close to me.”

SA Momchilov stated, “Okay. And I believe you said you’re, you heard the gunshot but other officers, one other officer was in your line of sight or line of fire. How much time elapsed between when you heard that shot until you fired? Do you have any idea?”

Officer [REDACTED] responded, “It was, it was so quick.” Officer [REDACTED] continued, “It, as soon as I heard that, I, I moved out of the way and returned fire.” SA Momchilov then asked, “Did you hear other gunshots going off at that point?” Officer [REDACTED] replied, “No, I heard the first one that I believed was coming from him and then I heard, towards the end, after I stopped firing.”

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SA Momchilov then asked Officer [REDACTED] if her decision to fire was based off of what she observed or based on the other officers' actions. Officer [REDACTED] replied, "It, it was based on what I observed with him, with him turning around how he did, reaching as if he was grabbing for a firearm which I believed he was armed due to already shooting at officers, running from officers and then the draw that he did is exactly what somebody would do, um, as if they were pulling out a firearm from their waistband."

SA Momchilov then asked, "Can you tell, when you fired, was he upright?" Officer [REDACTED] responded, "Yes, he, for the first one that I shot, I believe he was standing up." SA Momchilov responded, "Okay, and then at some point, he, he fell to the ground, is that correct?" Officer [REDACTED] responded, "Yes."

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if she observed the individual making any movements on the ground. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "Yeah, I did observe he was lying on his back and his right hand was, his right hand and arm were moving. I couldn't see exactly what he was doing." SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if she could observe anything in the individual's hands. Officer [REDACTED] advised that she could tell that there was nothing in the individual's left hand. Officer [REDACTED] stated she was unsure if anything was in the individual's right hand and that she verbalized that to the other officers that were on her left side. Officer [REDACTED] advised that she felt that the officers on her left side had a better view of the individual's right hand.

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] what she said when she verbalized to other officers. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I said watch his, something to the effect of watch his hand, I can't see it. I can't see that side. He's moving."

SA Moran explained, "Uh, this motion that he makes, this cross draw with his right hand and this motion, um, I mean, I think you touched on it but I have, I have, like did he actually get the hand up out of like the waistband area or was it, was it just on the waistband area? I don't know if I was clear on that." Officer [REDACTED] responded, "So I saw him, um, he, he like grabbed down towards the left side and then pulled up. I, I couldn't tell exactly if he grabbed something so that's why when I heard that shot, I, I knew like he, he did grab something and he shot at me." SA Moran then asked, "In your training and your experience, um, do you know of any other reason why anyone would make that sort of, uh, maneuver, um, you know, pulling something from that waistband area?"

Officer [REDACTED] stated, "Other than to present a firearm or pull out a firearm, no." SA

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Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if she knew how far away she was from the individual at this point. Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I don't know exactly how far I was from him though. I mean, maybe, I if had to guess, um, 20 feet."

SA Moran asked what Officer [REDACTED] felt was going to happen to her or the other officers. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I thought I was going to die."

SA Momchilov stated, "Now, I believe you said what caused you to stop firing was the officer yelling cease fire." Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I heard that and then, I, I was able to see that he was now down on the ground." Officer [REDACTED] continued, "And I didn't, at that time, um, er, uh, I wasn't certain that he, obviously, was shooting back at us because he was on the ground, so and I didn't see that motion."

SA Momchilov then stated, "Some might say that 10 or 11 shots is excessive, what would your response to that be?" Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I mean, we were trained to shoot until the threat is gone and that's, that's exactly what I did."

Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] has been employed with the Akron Police Department since December 9, 2019.

On July 8, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

Officer [REDACTED] said he was at Akron City Hospital when he heard the radio transmission about "[REDACTED]" performing a traffic stop. He then heard that the traffic stop turned into a "chase," entering State Route 8 South from Tallmadge Avenue. A few seconds later, he heard "21," which is the APD code for "officer needs help." Officer [REDACTED] then heard the officer radio, "Shots fired." Officer [REDACTED] realized that the situation was not a "normal car chase." He added, "There's an extreme level for bodily injury or death." Officer [REDACTED] said his adrenaline was high and he entered his cruiser, drove on Forge Street, crossed Market Street, turned onto Goodkirk Street, crossed Carroll Street and entered State Route 8 southbound.

Sergeant (Sgt.) Tersigni was in Car [REDACTED] and was stopped on the on-ramp with his lights on because the pursuit was still north of that location. There was radio traffic about the pursuit passing Perkins Street and then passing Carroll Street and Buchtel Avenue. The pursuit passed

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Officer [REDACTED] s position on his left, and he saw the subject's vehicle leading three APD cruisers.

Sgt. Tersigni pulled over to the right and allowed Officer [REDACTED] to pass him. Officer [REDACTED] radioed that he was Car [REDACTED] and asked for permission to join the pursuit. Officer [REDACTED] explained that he joined the pursuit because the initial APD cruiser did not have a second cruiser, until he heard Car [REDACTED] join the pursuit near State Route 8 South and Carroll Street. Officer [REDACTED] said there are usually two cruisers in pursuit, but there can be more cruisers involved after requesting permission. Officer [REDACTED] said there was a radio transmission granting him permission to join the pursuit.

The pursuit continued south on State Route 8. Officer [REDACTED] said his "anxiety" level was "high" knowing that the subject shot at officers and he might shoot again. The pursuit exited State Route 8 and went through residential streets to Wilbeth Road and Clairmont Avenue.

Officer [REDACTED] said he exited his cruiser and began running toward the subject's vehicle. Officer [REDACTED] saw Car [REDACTED] park sideways, in front of him, and the subject's vehicle was on the other side of it. Officer [REDACTED] drew his pistol from the holster. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "So, as I get up there, I look over the cruiser, look over the hood of the cruiser and I see a guy with a ski mask jump out of the car. Um, at that point I don't really have a great visual on him. Um, I can see he's wearing a ski mask, but I can't really see his hands 'cause he jumps out and he just starts running."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "I run around the cruiser and as I'm running I'm still watching him and he turns back towards officers at one point and I see a bunch of red dots." Officer [REDACTED] explained that he knew the red dots were lasers from Tasers. He continued, "So, at that point I see there are officers trying to use their Tasers to apprehend him. So, he turns back around and continues to run. And at this point, I don't see anything in his hands so I holster my weapon and the only thing in my mind is you know, kind of fell back on you know, what normally happens um, this is the first 21 I've been involved in, but normally when chasing suspects we just catch up to them, tase them, or we just physically tackle them, take them to the ground, take them into custody. So, I holster my firearm, start sprinting as fast as I can."

Officer [REDACTED] explained, "During this time, I see him get to the parking lot and you can that his hands, I can see his hands around his waistband area (moved both hands downward and to front of waistband). With the knowledge of knowing that he already fired a shot at officers, and knowing that on multiple other occasions when I've chased people that have firearms, that's

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where they normally keep them, whether it be in a pocket, a hoodie pocket um, or just in their waistband in general, that's the general area where people normally keep dangerous weapons, firearms, things like that. Um, so that kind of put me on high alert, even higher than I already was uh, and at some point in time he had turned around and faced officers um, and at that time he simultaneously had put up one of his arms in the motion that I believed that he had a gun. And very shortly after him turning around and raising his hand I heard, heard a gunshot. Um, so at that point I wholeheartedly believed that he had fired at officers. Um, and at that moment I made the conscious decision to draw my firearm and discharge it at the subject. And in the moment, I thought I fired three to four rounds uh, later found out it was a few more than that. Um, but once I fired my last round um, I continued to keep cover on the subject for, I believe a second, and then I felt the need to kind of get off line." Officer ██████ explained that "on line" is when officers stand directly next to each other so no one is in front or behind.

Officer ██████ took a step back and radioed that shots had been fired. He moved to his left, behind other officers, and then moved "on line" with officers and continued to "cover" the subject. Other officers handcuffed the subject. Officer ██████ was told to report to his sergeant and then was "sequestered."

SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ about the moments when the subject turned and he saw the red laser dots on him. Officer ██████ stated, "So, initially um, the first time he turned around uh, he did like a 360 um, and that's when I saw, he had a lot of light on him due to our weapon-mounted lights um, some people had their firearms out, some people had their Tasers out um, just due to the potential for him, potentially still having a gun. Um, and at that point he turned, and I couldn't, I didn't have a great viewpoint as to if anything was in his hands or anything like that, however, at that point in time, in essence he would have been, let's say he's here (moved hand), then there's multiple officers between myself and him. I didn't have a good vantagepoint about where his hands were, but he did initially, after like six or seven steps out of the car, he did turn around and face officers the first time. It was real quick. At that point, he hadn't extended his arms or anything like that, he just, he just turned around for whatever reason."

SA Momchilov asked, "You said at one point he stopped and made motions to his waist area, what's the position of him from you? Is his back turned towards you? Is he bladed on your side? Or can you describe that a little more?" Officer ██████ responded, "So, from where I am, um, he's like, I'm off to like, his side. Um, so as he's doing this (moved both hands down and near front waistband), I believe he, I can't even remember exactly which way he turned, but when he goes from here (hands still by front waistband), he turns and then he raised his arm um, so at

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some point he just turned and raised his arm um, but I was off to the side when I saw him initially reaching down.”

SA Momchilov asked about the distance between Officer [REDACTED] and the subject. Officer [REDACTED] estimated that he was about “25” feet away. SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] to provide more details or demonstrate the motion(s) that the subject made with his arms. Officer [REDACTED] said, “I very specifically remember him reaching down towards his waistband (moved both hands downward and to front of waistband) and then he turned and he put his arm up (raised right arm and hand up and extended outward about shoulder height) like this as if he is holding a firearm or something to that effect, but he very specifically made that motion (extended right arm and hand outward about shoulder height) outward with his arm towards officers and faced them as well.” SA Momchilov asked, “And I believe you said at that point you heard a, what you believed to be, a gunshot?” Officer [REDACTED] stated, “A gunshot.” Officer [REDACTED] confirmed that he believed the gunshot was fired by the subject.

Still images of the movements described and demonstrated are shown below:



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SA Momchilov asked, “Did you make your own decision to fire or was it based on other officers’ actions?” Officer ██████ replied, “So, as soon as I heard the gunshot and I saw him make that motion um, I immediately fell back on my training. So, I made a conscious decision to draw my firearm and engage the threat until it was no longer a threat.” SA Momchilov asked, “Was he upright when you fired your first shot? Do you know?” Officer ██████ responded, “I believe so.” SA Momchilov asked, “Did you fire, if you can recall, when he was on the ground at any point? Do you know?” Officer ██████ replied, “Uh, yes.” SA Momchilov followed, “Could you see his hands at that point when he was on the ground.” Officer ██████ answered, “Uh, I couldn’t just because of all...so, when I was firing um, I don’t specifically remember looking at my sights. Um, I do remember the flashes of the muzzle, the muzzle flashes um, so I couldn’t, I couldn’t tell you that I could see his hands, but I could tell that he was still moving um, during the time at which I was discharging my firearm.” SA Momchilov followed, “When you say moving, was it rolling around? Was he making motions with his hands? Can you describe it?” Officer ██████ responded, “Yeah, once, once he hit the ground I remember him very specifically rolling um, and once I felt as though he wasn’t a threat anymore that’s when I stopped discharging my firearm.” SA Momchilov asked, “Could you tell if other officers were firing during that point?” Officer ██████ answered, “Yes.” SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ if he recalled which officers were to his right and to his left. Officer ██████ stated, “In the moment I did not know.”

Officer ██████

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On July 12, 2022, Officer [REDACTED] was interviewed by Ohio BCI Agents Cory Momchilov and Chuck Moran.

Officer [REDACTED] said he was on-duty and working midnight shift when he heard a radio call after the radio channels were patched for a "Signal 21" from Car [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] was near Martin Luther King Boulevard and North Broadway Street. Officer [REDACTED] explained that when he heard this radio traffic, he "immediately became fearful" for the officers' lives because he believed "they were getting shot at."

Officer [REDACTED] activated his lights and sirens and drove toward State Route 8 near Perkins Street and Goodkirk Street. Officer [REDACTED] entered the highway and radioed that he was the secondary cruiser in the pursuit behind Car [REDACTED]. The pursuit ended on Wilbeth Road.

Officer [REDACTED] stated, "Once it ended on Wilbeth, I got out of my vehicle, I ran up to the car with my gun drawn. Um, I then started giving commands to the suspect to put his hands up and, and not to move. Um, I then saw the suspect jump out of the passenger side of the vehicle. He was wearing a ski mask. Um, at that point I could see his hands and I uh, attempted to pull my Taser and I believe, I thought I had lethal coverage which per our training uh, we are taught to, if we have lethal coverage we can use a Taser. And I attempted to taze the subject and uh, my Taser failed."

Officer [REDACTED] continued, "I want to go back a little bit. The suspect was running away whenever I attempted to taze him. Um, I was trying to, I was attempting to safely subdue the suspect at that time. Um, I then, once my Taser failed and we ran into the parking lot uh, I was attempting to put my Taser away and when I looked up the suspect was turned around. He had both of his uh, he had his, I saw his hands in his pockets. Um, it looked like his right arm was positioned in a way that he was going to pull a firearm and he was getting into a firing position and that's when I discharged my firearm until the threat was neutralized."

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] about other police cruisers joining the pursuit. Officer [REDACTED] said he heard radio traffic from Car [REDACTED] requesting permission to join the pursuit and was granted permission. There were other police cruisers in the area involved in the pursuit too.

SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] about the end of the vehicle pursuit. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "I was on the passenger side of the vehicle and the vehicle was still rolling. Uh, we were attempting to give commands to the suspect. I was outside of my cruiser. I ran, I had ran up to

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the car and I was on the passenger side." Officer ██████ said he stopped his cruiser behind Car ██████ and ran about "40 to 50 yards to get up to where the vehicle was."

SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ what verbal commands he provided. Officer ██████ said the subject was still in the vehicle as he approached it on the passenger side. Officer ██████ said he provided verbal commands such as, "Show me your hands! Do not move!"

SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ about the moments when the subject exited the vehicle. Officer ██████ said the subject exited the front passenger-side door and was wearing a ski mask and black clothing. SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ if it was "typical" for a person to exit a vehicle wearing a ski mask. Officer ██████ answered, "No, not at all. Especially with the conditions outside and uh, just in general. People usually don't jump out of vehicles with ski masks on." Officer ██████ said the weather was warm and that is what he meant about the "conditions."

SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ about his distance from the subject when the foot pursuit began. Officer ██████ estimated that he was "10 feet" away from the subject. He did not remember seeing any officers running in front of him at that time.

SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ what he meant when he said that his Taser "failed." Officer ██████ explained that he drew his Taser, armed it, deployed it, and recalled the "blast doors on the Taser cartridge open." Officer ██████ believed that the Taser probes did not make a sufficient connection on the subject and that is why it did not work or it possibly missed.

SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ about the moments when the subject moved his hands near his waist. Officer ██████ explained, "He turned around. He was facing us. I saw his right arm in his pocket and his arm was positioned in a way that I believed he was pulling a firearm and with him already shooting at officers I believed he was going to try to shoot at officers again."

SA Momchilov asked Officer ██████ to demonstrate the movements he saw the subject make. Officer ██████ demonstrated and explained, "He was, he had his arms in his pockets here and he was pulling out as if he was going to pull a firearm out." Still images of the movements described and demonstrated are below:



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SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] "Did he present that?" Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I couldn't tell at that time 'cause this was a highly intense, highly rapidly evolving situation." SA Momchilov asked, "And you said it was at that point you fired?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Uh, I stepped off the attack line, then I discharged my firearm." SA Momchilov followed, "Could you tell if any other officers were firing at that point?" Officer [REDACTED] answered, "I heard one gunshot before I started shooting." SA Momchilov asked, "Did you know where that gunshot was coming from?" Officer [REDACTED] answered, "I did not." Officer [REDACTED] stated, "And at that time I was fearful for my life and I was fearful for every live(s) of the officers that were presently on scene." SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] to explain. Officer [REDACTED] stated, "That, the fact that he already, that I believed he already shot at officers and that he was going to attempt to shoot at officers again. And uh, he was presenting himself in a way that uh, he was going to attempt to shoot at officers." SA Momchilov asked, "Can you think of any other reason he might make that motion?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "I do not know." SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] what his distance from the subject was when he saw the subject make those motions. Officer [REDACTED] estimated that he was "10 to 15 feet" away.

SA Momchilov asked, "Was he upright when you fired your first shot?" Officer [REDACTED] answered, "Uh, I believe so. Yes." SA Momchilov asked, "At some point did he fall?" Officer [REDACTED] answered, "Yes sir." SA Momchilov asked, "Were you still firing when he fell?" Officer [REDACTED] answered, "Yes sir."

Officer [REDACTED] explained, "I, through prior experiences, I discharged my firearm until the threat was eliminated. The last, I was at a previous signal 21 which was another intense situation where

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uh, the suspect was able to harm another individual and uh, even after he had been shot. And with that experience, I believed he was still a threat with the rounds that I fired.” SA Momchilov asked, “What led you to believe he was still a threat?” Officer ██████ answered, “I, once his uh, he was laying on the ground once I saw his right hand come up I uh, that’s when I stopped firing and um, that was when I didn’t believe he was a threat anymore.” SA Momchilov asked, “When he was on the ground, was he making any movements?” Officer ██████ answered, “Um, he was, he was rolling as he was on the ground and we weren’t sure if he was still trying to pull a firearm or what exactly he was doing.” SA Momchilov asked, “Could you see his hands when he was rolling around?” Officer ██████ answered “No, I could not.”

SA Moran asked Officer ██████ about the moments when the subject exited the vehicle and began running. Officer ██████ stated, “The thoughts that were going through my mind were, I was trying to safely apprehend this subject um, because he had already fired at officers once. I, with my training, I thought at the time I had lethal coverage so I attempted to safely apprehend him before uh, having to use deadly force.”

SA Momchilov asked, “And you said you fired a whole magazine?” Officer ██████ responded, “I believe so.” SA Momchilov followed, “I guess some people might say that was excessive. What would your response to that be?” Officer ██████ responded, “I discharged my firearm until the threat was neutralized. I believed he was still a threat even though he was shot because through my past experiences someone that is shot doesn’t mean the threat’s neutralized.”

Attorney Knabb asked, “Was it unusual that he stopped and presented himself to you twice?” Officer ██████ said he did not see the first time the subject presented himself because he was drawing his Taser from the holster. Officer ██████ saw the subject turn around the second time. Attorney Knabb asked, “Did it appear like he was trying to get away from you? Considering the totality of the circumstances, did it appear as if he was trying to, to truly flee the scene?” Officer ██████ stated, “I don’t believe so because that second time he turned around he was in an open parking lot and it didn’t seem like he wanted to turn around, or run away, he wanted to confront us.” Attorney Knabb asked Officer ██████ about his past experiences with “Signal 21” calls.

Officer ██████ reiterated that those calls are “high intense and your adrenaline is pumping” and it is “rapidly evolving.” Officer ██████ said after the incident, he could “feel the adrenaline dump.” He added, “I couldn’t believe what I had to do. I didn’t want to discharge my firearm, but the suspect presented himself as a deadly threat so I was given no choice.” Attorney Knabb asked, “And you tried to subdue him with the Taser, correct?” Officer ██████ stated, “Yes. I tried all the resources that were available to me given the distance and the time to subdue the

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suspect in a safe manner before I had to discharge my firearm.” Attorney Knabb asked how Officer ██████ was feeling in the week after the incident. Officer ██████ stated, “This has been the worst experience I’ve ever felt in my entire life because I haven’t been sleeping good. I’ve been getting three to four hours a night. I’ve been getting these reoccurring headaches. I’ve been getting nightmares. Um, reoccurring thoughts of the incident in my head.”

SA Moran asked Officer ██████ if his decision to fire was based upon what he observed or if it was “sympathetic gunfire.” Officer ██████ answered, “It was based upon what I observed.”

Witness Officers

Officer Travis Connor

Officer Travis Connor (Connor) stated he and Officer Powell were in the area of Summit Street and Furnace Road when Car █ (Officer ██████ and Officer ██████ broadcasted the traffic stop. Officer Connor explained that his radio was on Channel 1 at the time that Car █ broadcasted the traffic stop on Channel 2. Officer Connor advised that Officer Powell alerted him that a “chase was going on.” Officer Connor and Officer Powell entered their cruiser and left the area of Furnace Road and Summit Street. Officer Connor stated that they proceeded to the area of Martin Luther King Boulevard (MLK) and Summit Street. Officer Connor advised that he heard over the radio that one shot was fired from the fleeing vehicle and that the pursuing officers were okay.

At that point, Officer Connor stated he learned that the pursuit was on Route 8 South, and he and Officer Powell proceeded east on MLK to the area where Route 8 South and MLK merge. At that time, Officer Connor advised he observed the vehicle that officers were pursuing, followed by what Officer Connor believed was APD Car █ followed by another APD cruiser. Officer Connor and Officer Powell then proceeded onto Route 8 South and became the third cruiser in “line.” Officer Connor stated he followed at a safe distance and used caution because a gunshot had been previously fired from the fleeing vehicle.

Officer Connor explained that as they continued, a few other APD cruisers joined in, trying to “cut off exits.” At some point, Officer Connor stated that he believed Car █ (Officer ██████ and Officer ██████ became the primary pursuing vehicle and that the pursuit exited Route 8 onto the Firestone or Archwood exit. Officer Connor advised that the pursuit continued on multiple side streets and eventually ended up on Wilbeth Road, westbound. Later in the interview, Officer Connor was asked how fast the individual was driving during the pursuit. Officer Connor stated he was not exactly sure but felt that it was not in excess.

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Officer Connor stated, "Car comes to kind of like a rolling stop, I attempt to get out and there was another cruiser behind us, that I thought was gonna, if I jumped out and ran that would, you know hit me, so I then kind of open it, shut the door, make sure, you know, see how the car proceeds. Once I realize, you know the car kind of stops, the car saw me, I get out. I do hear the Tasers being deployed obviously those weren't effective because obviously the individual continued to run. Um, once we got into the parking lot, I did in fact see the individual turn and reach down into his waistline at that moment officers did discharge their weapons. There was a line of officers in front of me so obviously I wasn't going to try and shoot through them or around them or anything like that so I ended up running around to the uh, last officer in line there and that's when, kind of things settled in, we started rendering first aid."



Based upon Officer Connor's body-worn camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when gunfire starts. The body-worn camera footage shows Officer Connor in the area of the shooting.

SA Momchilov asked Officer Connor, if when a Signal 21 is called, does that require an immediate response from officers. Officer Connor explained, "You go assist that officer," unless you are on a violent call or a domestic violence situation.

SA Momchilov stated, Officer Connor, "I believe you said other officers start chasing (on foot) and you chased as well." Officer Connor responded, "Correct." SA Momchilov then asked,

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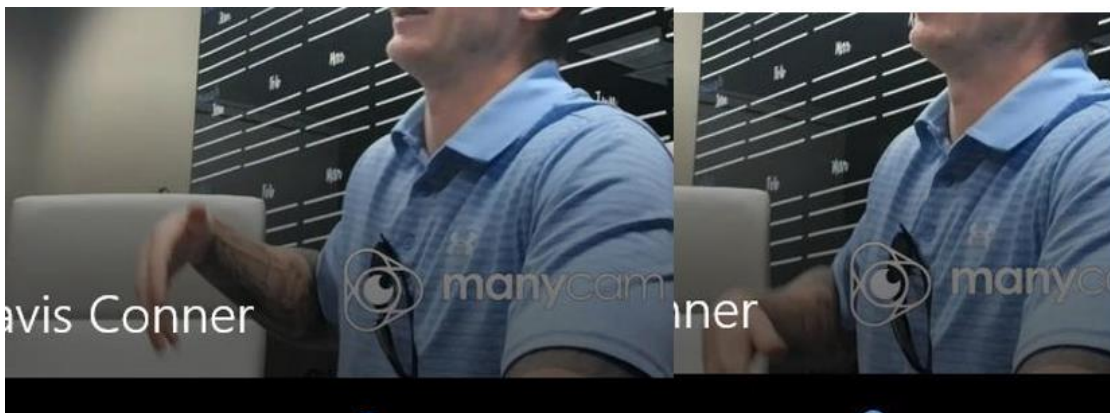


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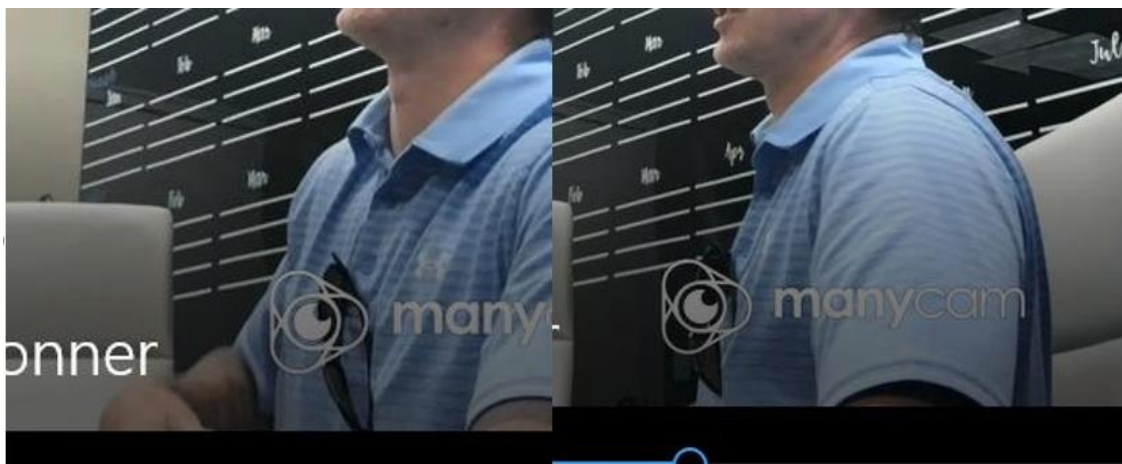
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“How far away was the individual from you, did you know?” Officer Connor responded, “15 to 20 yards maybe, they were still relatively close.”

SA Momchilov asked Officer Connor if he could demonstrate the motion that Officer Connor previously stated the individual made.



Officer Connor stated, “He took his right hand down towards his waist.”



Officer Connor, “As he was turning, I didn’t see if his hand continued to raise.”

Officer Connor continued, “I mean it was, people running in between but I could definitely see him turn and reach towards his waistband and then shortly after, maybe a second or so after that, that’s when shots were being fired.”

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SA Momchilov asked Officer Connor if he could tell who was firing. Officer Connor responded, "I absolutely had no clue who was even in front of me, who was firing, I just heard the gunshots and that's when I realize, obviously can't shoot through the people and I didn't want to run up and try to split people, obviously."

SA Momchilov asked Officer Connor if the individual's back was towards him and then the individual turned around. Officer Connor replied, "I think I saw him as he was kinda facing sideways, essentially turning, kinda look back and took his hand down but when he did turn to reach for his waist, he was directly facing us."

SA Momchilov asked Officer Connor if he would of fired if he had a line of sight. Officer Connor responded, "I would have, yes." SA Momchilov later asked Officer Connor if he had his firearm out when he exited the cruiser. Officer Connor stated he kept his firearm in the holster until he got relatively close to the line of officers. Officer Connor explained that he did not want to run with his firearm in his hand or muzzle flash the officers in front of him.

SA Momchilov then asked Officer Connor if the individual was still being shot at after he was on the ground. Officer Connor responded, "Yes he was, yes." SA Momchilov then stated, "So you saw the individual when he was on the ground and other officers were firing. Was he making any movements at that point." Officer Connor responded, "From my angle, I couldn't see what his hands were doing, obviously I could only see the left side of his body, his left hand wasn't moving but I couldn't see what his left, or what his right hand was doing, how it was moving or anything like that."



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Officer Kyle Cunningham



Based upon Officer Cunningham's body-worn camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when Officer Cunningham exits his vehicle. As Officer Cunningham is exiting the vehicle, "Shots fired" is heard being broadcasted over the radio.



Officer Cunningham is then observed approaching the scene parking lot area.

SA Momchilov asked Officer Kyle Cunningham (Cunningham) what caused him to respond to the scene. Officer Cunningham stated, "Not only the vehicle pursuit that was coming toward my district but the shots being fired at the officers but Signal 21 is the most extreme call sign that we have."

SA Momchilov then asked Officer Cunningham what he meant by most extreme. Officer Cunningham stated, "That's the most serious, cease fire officers need help."

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SA Momchilov replied, "Would it be fair to say that officers are expected to respond to that no matter where they're at in the city." Officer Cunningham replied, "Absolutely, yep, it's the most, I guess, extreme, dangerous, the most, unless you're on something severe you gotta go."

SA Momchilov asked Officer Cunningham if he could see what the individual was wearing. Officer Cunningham advised the individual was wearing a "black outfit" and had "something over his face, his head area."

SA Momchilov stated, "When you arrived on scene, you said you actively heard gunshots. Could you see what was happening." Officer Cunningham replied, "I could not, cause of the angle of where my cruiser was, up toward the hedgerows, there's a little incline that then levels out to a parking lot. So as soon as I pulled up, upwards toward the hedge line, opened my door the shots were being, actively being fired. I didn't not have a vantage point where I saw the parking lot." SA Moran later asked, "The gunfire that you heard, actively being fired, can you provide any more details about that? Could you tell who was firing?" Officer Cunningham replied, "I could not, no it was just actively gunshots firing. I didn't, I couldn't tell who from or where's the act, I didn't see any muzzle flashes, I didn't hear, I didn't see any officer firing."

SA Momchilov advised, at one point, Officer Cunningham stated that he heard another officer faintly say gun. SA Momchilov then asked what was meant by that. Officer Cunningham replied, "Well, there's so much commotion going on and we're trying to relay messages, I just see the amount of officers, ah, I heard gun from one of the officers, rather it be she's talking about put his guns away, I, I can't articulate what he meant by that but my vantage point, from hearing gun basically he, they see a gun or there's a threat of a gun."

SA Moran stated to Officer Cunningham, "The position, you mentioned the subject was on his back when you like, approached the staggered line and you talked about this, like the position his right hand, like a 90-degree angle. Can you just demonstrate what you remember seeing?"



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Officer Cunningham stated, “He was lying flat on his back, his arm was like this down by his hip, right area and it was being raised, like this all the way back towards his head. So it started right by his hip, which was away from me, I was currently on this side on the west side of the parking lot, or, excuse me, east side of the parking lot, so I saw from here, up all the way back up, towards his head.”

SA Momchilov asked if the individual also made “that finger” motion that Officer Cunningham demonstrated. Officer Cunningham stated, “Yes.”



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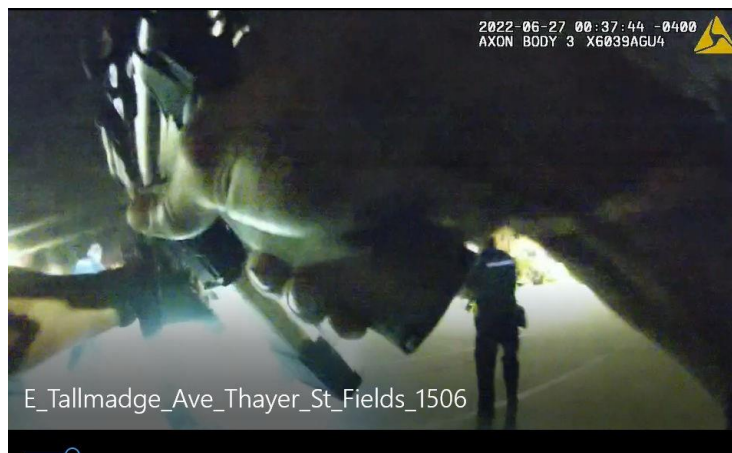
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Officer Devon Fields



Based upon Officer Fields' body-worn camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when gunfire starts. It appears that Officer Fields is running and has not yet made it to the parking lot.



Based upon Officer Fields' body-worn camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when gunfire stops.

SA Momchilov asked Officer Devon Fields (Fields) what caused him to respond to the scene. Officer Fields advised that he responded because shots had been fired, and he assumed that someone was shooting at the pursuing police vehicle. SA Momchilov asked, if a Signal 21 is called, "is that pretty much all hands on deck, anybody who is available?" Officer Fields

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responded, "Yes, so when someone calls Signal 21, that's like our top line of this is the incident, something crazy's happening, whether it's an officer-involved shooting or someone is actively shooting at us or someone's life is at risk. So if you can, you get there."

SA Momchilov responded, "No matter where you are in the city?" Officer Fields replied, "Yes." SA Momchilov stated, "It says when you, 'catch up to other units believing the armed suspect was in the process of bailing out the vehicle.'" Officer Fields responded, "Yes." SA Momchilov asked Officer Fields how far away he was from the fleeing vehicle or from the individual bailing out of the car. Officer Fields estimated about two blocks away.

SA Momchilov asked Officer Fields if he could tell who was shooting when he approached the parking lot. Officer Fields replied, "No." Officer Fields stated, "As they ran through the parking lot, I couldn't tell who was chasing, I seen just silhouettes due to how dark it was. I knew everyone was running north and the suspect had to be in front of them, so I ran as well, but I couldn't see who was chasing or anything like that."

SA Momchilov then asked how Officer Fields knew the officer-involved shooting occurred. Officer Fields advised that he heard the shots being fired from what he presumed to be the officers.

SA Momchilov asked, "Could you see if the subject was moving or was he making any movements?" Officer Fields replied, "Yes, while on the ground he continued to move, um, so he was actively flailing and like, waving his arms and everything. So, yes he continued to move."



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Officer Ryan Hall



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Based upon Officer Hall's body-worn camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when gunfire stops.

SA Momchilov asked Officer Hall if he heard the other officers call out that they were attempting to pull over a vehicle and or that a pursuit had ensued. Officer Hall responded, "Yeah, so they called out a traffic stop and then they made it a pursuit and then during that pursuit they said shots were fired from the vehicle." Officer Hall explained that at a certain time the officers

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also called out Signal 21, which Officer Hall described as a very serious, all hands on deck emergency.

SA Momchilov asked Officer Hall if all available units in the city are expected to respond. Officer Hall stated, "Yeah, if you're not on a call for service, it would be expected that you would respond." SA Momchilov then asked if officers would be allowed to "break away" or leave none priority calls to assist. Officer Hall responded, "Yes."

SA Momchilov asked Officer Hall if he could tell who was firing shots when he was running towards the other officers. Officer Hall responded, "Absolutely not, it was just like a, like I could see there were people there but to say that I could identify who's who would be not true." SA Momchilov then asked Officer Hall if he could tell that they were officers. Officer Hall stated, "No, I just heard gunshots."

SA Momchilov then stated that Officer Hall mentioned in his narrative, "I could see the suspect on the ground." SA Momchilov asked Officer Hall if he observed shots being fired while the individual was on the ground. Officer Hall responded, "I don't recall." SA Momchilov then asked if he observed the individual making movements when he was on the ground. Officer Hall advised, "There were still some movement, not, not sure exactly what they were but he wasn't like totally still on the ground."

Officer Brett Pelfrey

Officer Brett Pelfrey (Pelfrey) explained that he was working the Kenmore area of southwest Akron. While on West Wilbeth Road, Officer Pelfrey advised he heard radio traffic of another unit attempting to conduct a traffic stop that turned into a vehicle pursuit. Officer Pelfrey stated that Signal 5 (Emergency Radio Traffic Only) was called out. Officer Pelfrey advised that he and Officer Yakubik were far from the pursuit and stated, "We probably couldn't of been farther at that time." Officer Pelfrey continued, "Quickly the officer called out that the shot was fired, that kind of amplified things and we started making our way as we're listening to the call out of the direction they were going and we could try to maybe, maybe, get in the same general area." Officer Pelfrey stated that pursuit started to head towards Route 8 South and then it exited on either Archwood or Lover's Lane, in the Firestone Park neighborhood area. At that point, Officer Pelfrey and Officer Yakubik were on Main Street, traveling south and then headed east onto Archwood Avenue.

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According to Officer Pelfrey, the pursuit then traveled westbound on Wilbeth Road and that Officer Pelfrey and Officer Yakubik, “were not far off.” Officer Pelfrey stated, “We made it onto Wilbeth, pretty, pretty quickly. So we started heading west back on Wilbeth and as we’re driving I see the cruiser lights and they’re stopped and the radio traffic was pretty silent at that point in time. As we’re approaching the stopped cars, I see the cruiser in front of us had its driver door open. So the first thing that came to my mind was, okay maybe they’re doing a felony stop.”

Officer Pelfrey explained that in a felony stop, the cruiser doors are open and officers are calling the “suspect” back to the cruiser.

Officer Pelfrey advised that he quickly realized that there were no officers near the cruisers. Officer Pelfrey explained that their cruiser stopped and he exited the vehicle. Officer Pelfrey stated, “The first thing I see is suspect vehicle creeping across the middle of the road and, so I start, I have my eyes on the car cause I didn’t see the officers and then I quickly see a group of officers, probably a hundred and fifty yards away at that point in time, running to the right. So I start sprinting up in that direction.” Officer Pelfrey continued, “I’m gonna assume I’m a hundred yards away when I hear the gunshots and see the muzzle flash.”



Based upon Officer Pelfrey’s body worn-camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when gunfire starts.

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Based upon Officer Pelfrey's body-worn camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when gunfire stops. This corroborates Officer Pelfrey's statement that he was a great distance away during the shooting.

Officer Pelfrey continues, "So I sprint up, I don't see a suspect at that point in time, it's pretty dark and I'm pretty far away. So I run up and when I get into the parking lot, suspect is on the ground and I hop to the right side of the line. He's still moving at that point in time, he's moving his arms' up, his right arm up into the air and he's like squeezing his hand, I don't know if it is twitching or what, what he was doing but we're all holding on him at that point in time and he puts his arm back down."

Officer Pelfrey explained that another officer then yelled that officers needed to move in, handcuff the individual and started to provide aid. Officer Pelfrey advised that he was on the very end of the right side, and the majority of the officers on the left side started to approach the individual to handcuff and provide aid.

Officer Eric Powell

Officer Eric Powell (Powell) stated he and Officer Connor were on the highway and exited at the Archwood Avenue exit. Officer Powell advised they were three or four cars behind the pursuing vehicle. Officer Powell further advised that as they were on Wilbeth Road, he observed the fleeing vehicle slowing down and then stop. The driver exited the vehicle from the driver's side.

Officer Powell stated that he then exited the cruiser. Officer Powell further stated, "There is a few officers in front of me, I see the suspect on the passenger side of the vehicle, um the passenger side doors open, I see him go inside the vehicle and then start to run away again, um,

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officers start, um, you know, running after him, I'm running after him as well, there still in front of me. I know, I believe somebody deployed a Taser, I don't know who it was, I remember the cords from the Taser, um, you know, in the open. As we're still running I see the suspect fall to the ground, um there were other officers still in front of me so I had bit of an obstructed view but I do remember the, um, suspect on the ground, see if I can, he like planted his foot like he's trying to get back up, um, that's when I, officers, you know, discharged their firearms, um, I was still behind and had an obstructed view and officers were on the right of me as well. They, after that, there was, Officer Barns said, you know, we need to get the person in handcuffs, stated to kind of close up a little bit, um. Once he was in handcuffs, the vehicle that the gentleman was driving um, said that we needed to go check that it was into the building, I think it's the brick building, I don't remember, it's on the south side of the street, um. From there, we approached from the passenger side with a few officers in front of me, cleared it, um then I advised one of them, I believe it was Officer Marcum, who was on the driver's side to stay with the vehicle. Once that was done, had him, like I said, stay with it, we, then I went and ah got tape up, put some tape up, waited for EMS to or fire to get through the tape and then block that off."



Based upon Officer Powell's body-worn camera footage, the above image is moments before gunfire is heard.

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Based upon Officer Powell's body-worn camera footage, the above image is the moment after gunfire ends.

Officer Jakob Yakubik

Officer Jakob Yakubik (Yakubik) explained that he and Officer Pelfrey were on their way to back up Car 7 on a different call, when they heard Car █ (Officer █ and Officer █ call out that they were conducting a traffic stop. Shortly after, Car █ radioed Signal 5 (Emergency Radio Traffic Only) and they were now chasing the vehicle they attempted to pull over.

Officer Yakubik explained that Car █ was on the opposite end of the city; and because of this, they decided to continue to Car 7's location to back them up. As Officer Yakubik and Officer Pelfrey approached Car 7's location, Car █ broadcasted over the radio, "Shots fired, shots fired." Officer Yakubik stated they "disengaged" from what they were doing and started to head towards Car █'s location.

Officer Yakubik advised that as they were approaching Main Street, the pursuit was on Route 8 South. Officer Yakubik further advised that at some point, the pursuit exited Route 8 South and began to travel on city streets. Officer Yakubik stated they were trying to parallel to the side of the pursuit and eventually end up behind the pursuit.

Officer Yakubik advised that "something" was called out over the radio as the pursuit was going down Wilbeth Road, but Officer Yakubik could not recall what was said. Officer Yakubik stated, "We pulled behind them probably 10, 20 seconds after everyone is out of the cars and then

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they're all running off in the distance, like, myself and Officer Pelfrey get out and I can see their silhouettes out in the distance and the shots started ringing out.”



Based upon Officer Yakubik's body-worn camera footage, approximately 29 seconds into the video, audio begins recording. When the audio begins recording, the sound of gunfire is heard.



Based upon Officer Yakubik's body-worn camera footage, the above image is the approximate time when gunfire stops. This corroborates Officer Yakubik's statement that he was a distance away during the shooting.

SA Momchilov then asked what actions Officer Yakubik took after the shooting. Officer Yakubik stated he approached officers to make sure they were okay and provided light to the officers who were rendering aid to the individual. Officer Yakubik then set up crime scene tape.

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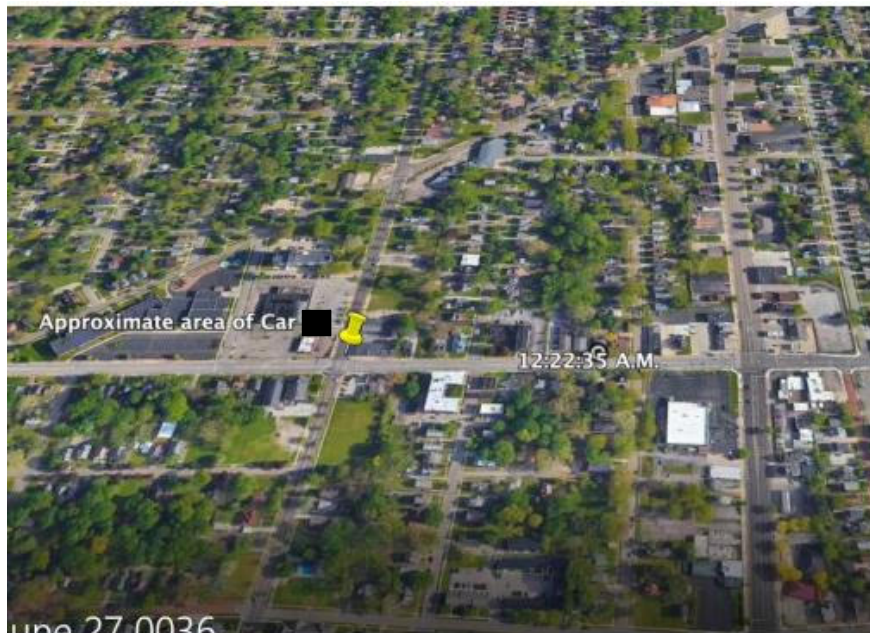
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Vehicle Pursuit

Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] both stated they initially observed Jayland's vehicle in the area of North Howard Street and Tallmadge Road and observed an equipment violation on his vehicle.

Agents were able to determine through an offline LEADS search that the Akron Police Department ran Jayland's license plate (HON4514) at 0022:42 hours.

According to Jayland's Google location date, Jayland's device (cellular phone) was located at the following coordinates 41.1021219, -815125096, at 0012:35 hours (12:22:35 AM). The coordinates indicate that Jayland's cellular phone was on Tallmadge Avenue, between North Howard Road and North Main Street.



Coordinates -41.1021219 -815125096 at 0012:25 hours (12:22:35 AM)

Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] stated that they stopped following Jayland's vehicle when it entered Route 8 South from Tallmadge Avenue.

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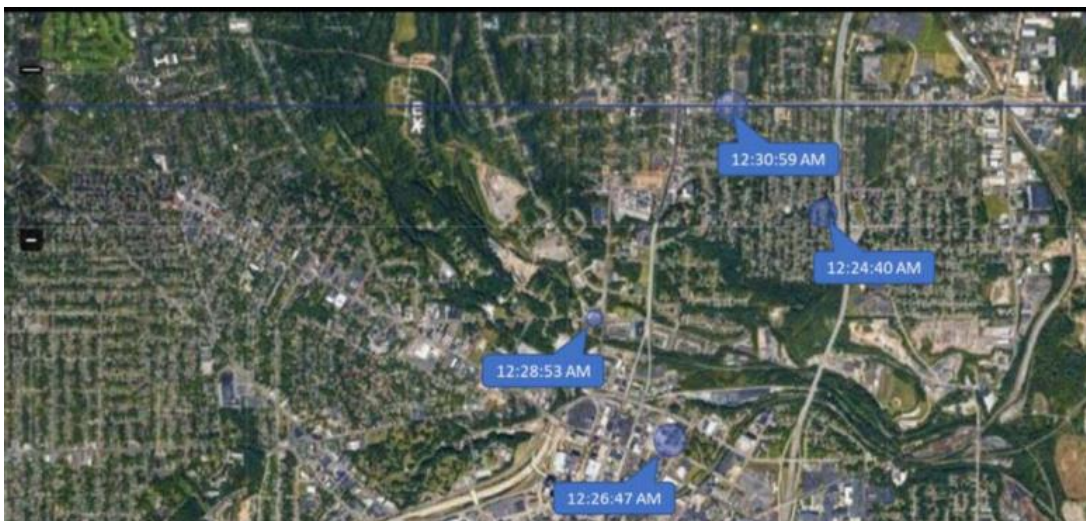


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It then appears that Jayland travels down Route 8, exits and then returns to the area of North Howard Road and Tallmadge Avenue.



At 0024:40 hours (12:24:40 AM), Jayland's cellular phone is located at the coordinates 41.0965961, -815010058.

At 0026:47 hours (12:26:47 AM), Jayland's cellular phone is located at the coordinates 41.0849097, -81.5114882.

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At 0028:53 hours (12:28:53 AM), Jayland's cellular phone is located at the coordinates 41.0911847, -81.5167088.

At 0030:59 hours (12:30:59 AM), Jayland's cellular phone is located at the coordinates 41.1020978, -81.5073189.

The coordinates indicate that Jayland's cellular phone was on Tallmadge Avenue, near Dayton Street, just west of Route 8 South. It is around this time that Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] attempted to initiate the traffic stop.

The information obtained corroborates Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED]'s statements that Jayland's vehicle returned to the area (approximately 10 minutes) from when they first initially observed it.

Officer [REDACTED] s Body-Worn Camera Footage (During Pursuit)

The body-worn camera footage begins with Officer [REDACTED] in the driver seat of his cruiser. Approximately 28 seconds into the footage, just prior to the audio starting, Officer [REDACTED] is observed handing over the cruiser radio microphone to Officer [REDACTED]. Approximately 31 seconds into the footage, "[REDACTED] is this a chase? If so, get your sirens on please" is broadcasted over the radio. Approximately 36 seconds into the footage, Officer [REDACTED] broadcasts, "[REDACTED] affirm, make it a chase."

Approximately 43 seconds into the footage, Officer [REDACTED] broadcasts, "[REDACTED] we're east on Tallmadge approaching Route 8 South, signaling to go 8 South, speeds are at 30, getting on to 8 South from Tallmadge, reason for stop was traffic and equipment violation." Approximately 57 seconds into the footage, the sound of a "pop" is heard. SA Momchilov believes that sound to be a gun being fired.

During the pursuit, while Officer [REDACTED] s is sitting in the cruiser, his body-worn camera was obstructed due to its placement.



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Example still image of Officer ██████'s body-worn camera footage

Officer ██████'s Body-Worn Camera Footage (During Pursuit)

The body-worn camera footage begins with Officer ██████ in the passenger seat of his cruiser. Approximately 33 seconds into the footage, “████ is this a chase? If so, get your sirens on please,” is broadcasted over the radio. Officer ██████ responds, “████ affirm, make it a chase.” Approximately 43 seconds into the footage, Officer ██████ broadcasts, “████ we're east on Tallmadge approaching Route 8 South, signaling to go 8 South, speeds are at 30, getting on to 8 South from Tallmadge, reason for stop was traffic and equipment violation.” Approximately 58 seconds into the footage, the sound of a “pop” is heard. SA Momchilov believes that sound to be a gun being fired. Approximately one minute and seven seconds into the footage, Officer ██████ broadcasts, “21 shots fired, that vehicle just had a shot come out of its door.”

During the pursuit, while Officer ██████ is sitting in the cruiser, his body-worn camera was obstructed due to its placement.



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Example still image of Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage

Officer Jarrett Heatwall (Cuyahoga Falls Police Officer)

On June 27, 2022, at approximately 0031:23 hours, Officer Jarrett Heatwall (Heatwall), a police officer with the Cuyahoga Falls Police Department had just finish conducting a traffic stop on Route 8. After the traffic stop, Officer Heatwall continued on Route 8 South and exited at the Tallmadge Avenue exit to turn around and head back to Cuyahoga Falls.

Officer Heatwall explained, as he was on the Tallmadge Avenue exit from Route 8 South, stopped at the traffic light, he heard lights and sirens coming from police cruisers. Officer Heatwall advised that the police cruisers were traveling eastbound on east Tallmadge Avenue. Officer Heatwall stated, he then observed an “early 2000s” silver, grey or tan-colored vehicle turn onto the Route 8 southbound ramp from East Tallmadge Avenue. The vehicle was being followed by an Akron Police Department cruiser. Officer Heatwall explained, when the Akron Police Department cruiser made the turn onto the Route 8 southbound ramp from Tallmadge, he heard a shot being fired from the vehicle that the Akron Police Department cruiser was pursuing. Officer Heatwall stated he then observed the Akron Police Department cruiser swerve, “trying to get out of its line of fire.”

SA Momchilov asked Officer Heatwall how he knew what he heard was gunfire. Officer Heatwall stated, “I don’t think there is anything quite like it that sound. At first I may of thought, like, it could be a popped tire on the vehicle, like the tires going to pop but seeing the vehicle swerve [police cruiser] and just hearing the loud crack, there is nothing like, you know, that is going to make that sort of noise.”

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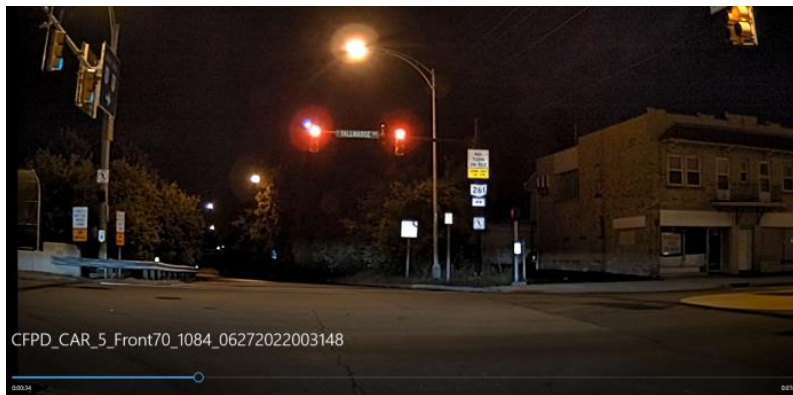


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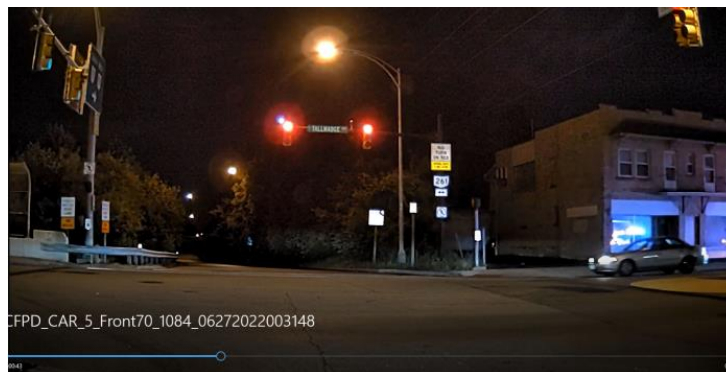
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SA Momchilov then asked Officer Heatwall how he knew the gunfire came from that vehicle. Officer Heatwall stated, "Just the direction of the sound I heard it from, I mean, I didn't see anyone poke out the window, cause all I saw was, the APD cruiser kind of blocked its, my line of sight of that vehicle, so I never saw an actual firearm being brandished from that vehicle but I heard from that direction, as soon as that vehicle passed that corner, that's when I heard that shot go off."

Officer Heatwall's Dash-Camera Footage



Approximately 34 seconds into the video, Officer Heatwall's cruiser is observed stopped at the traffic light at the intersection of Tallmadge Avenue and Route 8 South.



Approximately 43 seconds into the video, Jayland's vehicle is observed entering the frame.

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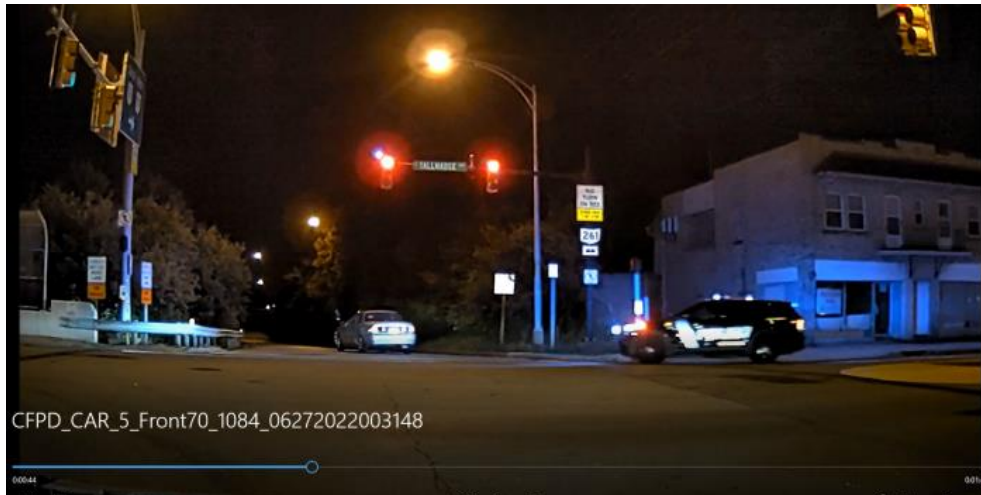


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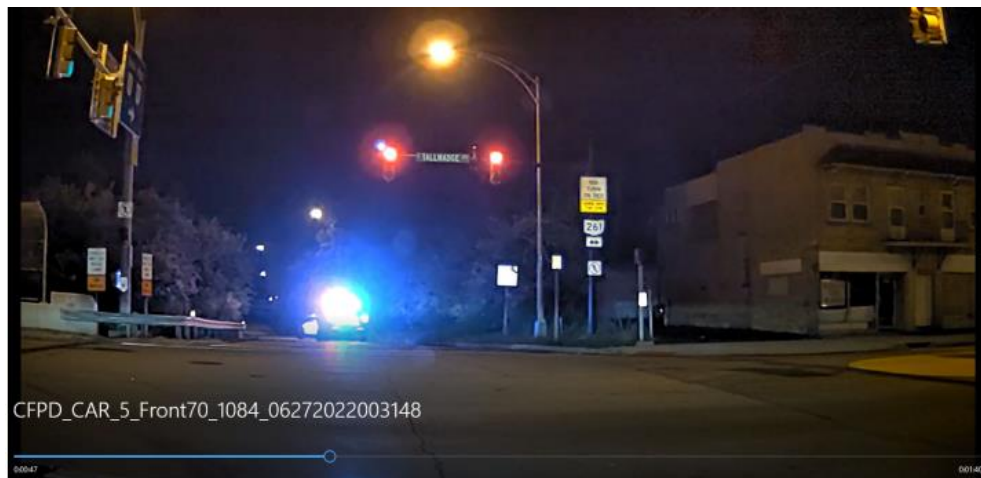


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Approximately 44 seconds into the vehicle, Jayland's vehicle is observed turning onto the entrance ramp to Route 8 South from Tallmadge Avenue. Jayland's vehicle is being pursued by an Akron Police cruiser.



Approximately 47 seconds into the video, Jayland's vehicle continues to travel towards Route 8 South, followed by an Akron Police cruiser.

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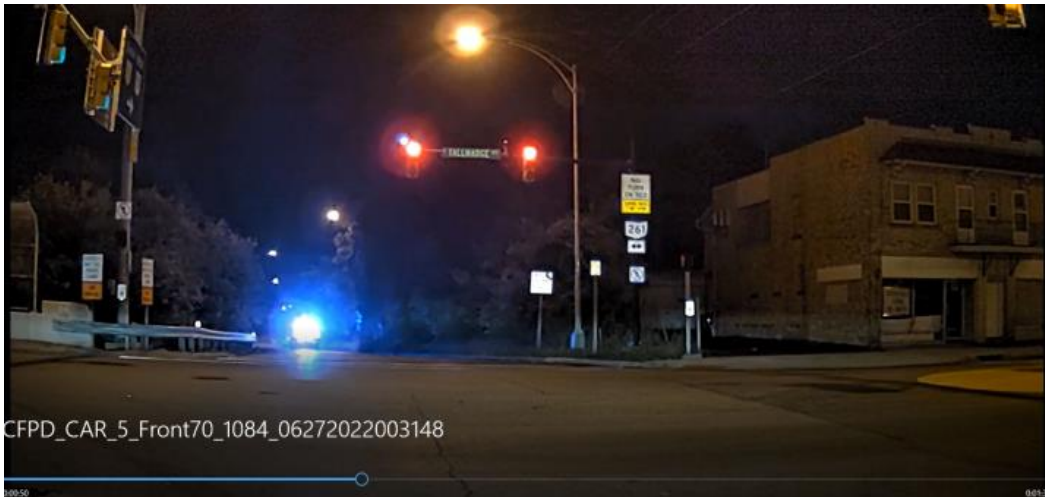


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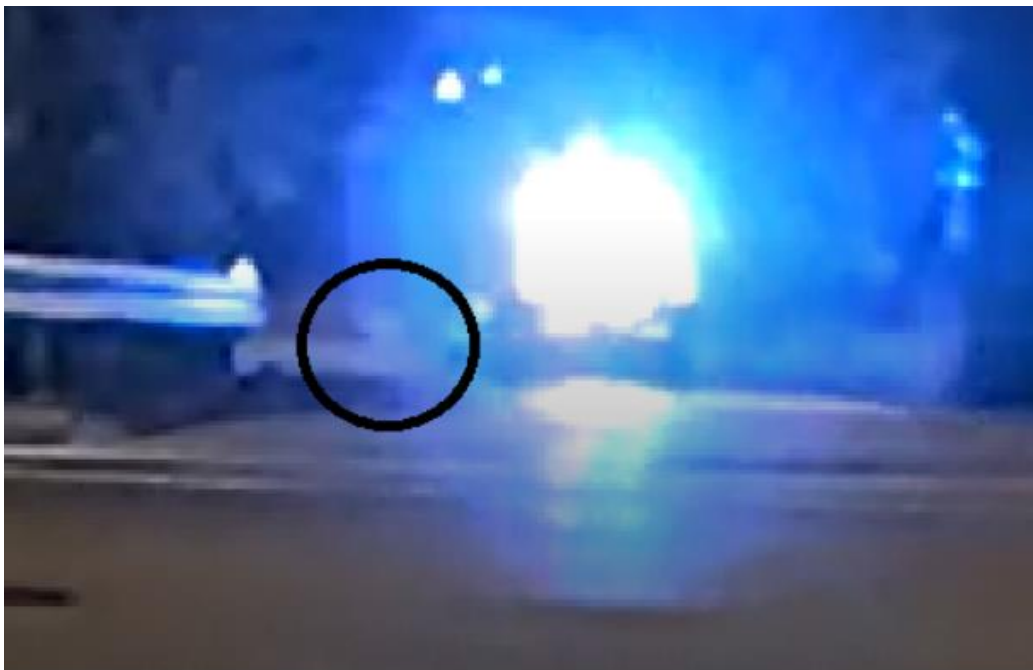


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Approximately 50 seconds into the video, as Jayland's vehicle continues towards Route 8 South, a debris cloud is observed to the left of Jayland's vehicle and the Akron Police cruiser. When watching the video in real speed, the debris cloud is consistent with a bullet impacting the pavement.



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Recovered Cartridge Case

A spent cartridge case was located on the Route 8 southbound entrance ramp from Tallmadge Avenue. Ballistic testing later revealed that the fired cartridge case originated from the firearm that was recovered from Jayland's vehicle.



Officer Heatwall's dash-camera footage was incorporated into a video presentation completed by OOCIC that documented the gunshot from Jayland's vehicle. The other items incorporated into the presentation are Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage and ODOT traffic cameras.

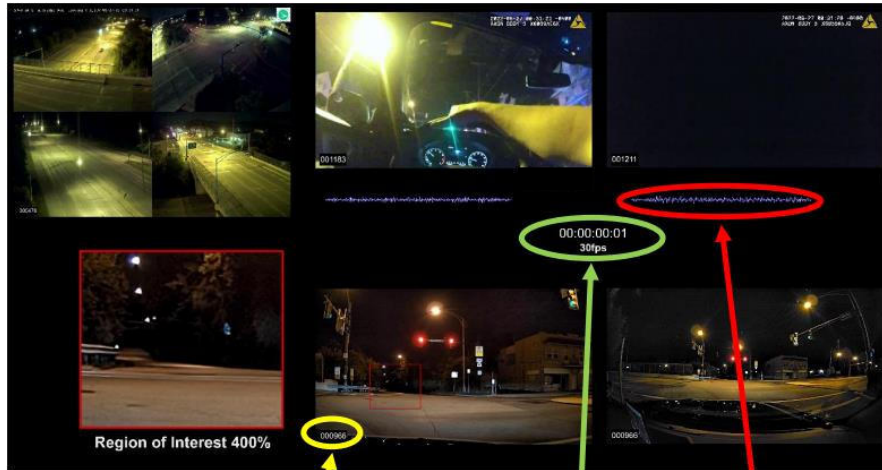


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FRAME COUNTER
 Each video has a unique frame counter in the lower right portion of each individual video screen.

TIMECODE AND AUDIO WAVEFORM

Pursuit Route

Based on the broadcasted radio traffic, the following is the route of the vehicle pursuit:

- East Tallmadge Avenue
- Route 8 South
- Archwood Avenue Exit
- West on North Firestone Boulevard
- South on Neptune Avenue
- West on Reed Avenue
- South on Oakwood Avenue
- West on Cypress Avenue
- South on Brown Street
- West on Wilbeth Road

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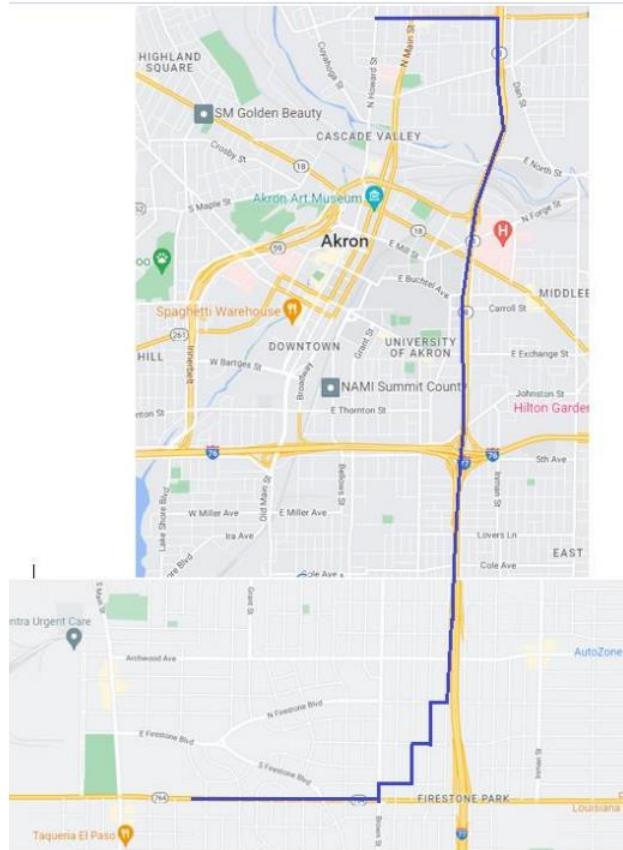


Illustration of pursuit route

Radio Traffic

Wilbeth OIS Dispatch

Car ■ ■ has a 39 Tallmadge and Thayer.

Car ■ ■ he's not stopping signal 5, Henry-Ocean-Nora-45-14, continuing eastbound on Tallmadge, speeds are 43.

Unknown: ■ is this a chase? If so, get your sirens on please.

Car ■ ■ affirm make it a chase.

Car ■ ■ we're east on Tallmadge approaching RT 8 South, signaling to go 8 South, speeds are at 30, getting on to 8 South from Tallmadge, reason for stop was traffic and equipment violation.

Car 46: 46 copies.

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Dispatch: All cars standby, chase procedure is in effect.

Car ■ 21 shots fired, that vehicle just had a shot come out of its door.

Car ■ We're southbound on Route 8 now, next cross is going to be Perkins, going across the blue bridge on Route 8 South, speeds are 80, middle lane, silver Buick, one occupant, looked like a black male driver.

Car ■ He's in the left lane we're going 60. ■ we're ok, for the notes, the driver appeared to have been grabbing something and the shot came out through his door. We're 8 South, just passing Perkins, 8 South passing Perkins, middle lane, speeds are 72, light traffic. 8 South passing exit 1A, speeds 77, no traffic at this point.

Car 1: Car 1 I'm secondary.

Dispatch: Copy.

Car ■ We're 8 South toward 77 south passing exit 0 just passed the University. Middle lane, speeds are 70, now it's in right lane, speeds are 70, light traffic, vehicles are getting over. Continuing 8 South, speeds are 78, light traffic, vehicle is about 100 yards in front of us, continuing 77 South just passed the interchange.

Car ■ Car ■ requesting to join, I have three units in front of me.

Car 46: 4-6 to Car ■ go ahead.

Car 46: Everybody else, start blocking intersections in case they get off. Get yourself in good position.

Car ■ Yeah, units up there that are coming up on Lovers Lane, he's coming up on your left side just now, take caution, he was grabbing for a gun, and he did fire a shot out the side of the door.

Car ■ Alright ■ we got one, we got 2 units in front of us.

Car ■ Car ■ we're primary right behind you now, we're continuing on Route 8 South, speeds are, oh he's getting off here. We're gonna be getting off at the Archwood exit. Speeds are 65 miles per hour.

Car ■ Approaching the red light at Archwood, he's gonna be going through the red light continuing southbound approaching North Firestone. Speeds are 35 miles per hour. Running the stop sign, he's going to be going westbound on North Firestone Boulevard from here.

Car ■ He's going to be going southbound on Neptune, speeds are 30 miles per hour, there's no traffic on this road. Running the stop sign at Reed, -inaudible- going westbound on Reed from here.

Car 46: Cruisers in the area, watch out for each other, grab some intersections.

Car ■ Southbound on Oakwood, speeds are 15 miles per hour, approaching Cypress. Gonna be going westbound on Cypress heading towards Redwood. We're passing Redwood, we're gonna be approaching Brown Street.

Car 46: 46 I'm on Brown and Cypress blocking intersection. Going south on Brown.

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Car ■ South on Brown we'll be turning westbound on Wilbeth, speeds are approximately 25 miles per hour.

Car ■ Still westbound on, westbound on Wilbeth, we're gonna be passing Glenmount. Speeds are 55 miles per hour.

Car 602: 602, I'm west on Wilbeth and Firestone, can I get in?

Car ■ Still westbound on Wilbeth, we're passing Evergreen, we're heading towards Main. Looks like we have some units up ahead at the intersection of Main.

Car ■ He's slowing down here, slowing down.

Car 602: 602, I'm right here guys.

Unknown: Update.

Unknown: Shots fired; shots fired.

Unknown: Get a 32.

Unknown: Everybody okay up there?

Unknown: -Inaudible-...standby.

Car ■ **Car** ■ we got shots fired by the police we're all okay, get a med unit rolling, we got the suspect down.

Unknown: Someone grab a medical bag, start EMS.

Car 1: 1 gonna need a med unit over here.

Unknown: Close off the streets east and west to this lot.

Car 11: 11, 11 we need a 32 on Wilbeth and Clairmont in the parking lot across. Wilbeth and Clairmont.

Dispatch: Copy Wilbeth and Clairmont.

Car 48: 40, 48 to 40.

Car 40: -Inaudible- 40.

Car 48: Yes, sir. Did you copy that officer involved?

Car 40: Yeah, I'm heading out.

Car 23: 23.

Dispatch: 23.

Car 23: Yes, the vehicle is clear and there is a firearm on the seat.

Dispatch: Copy.

Body-Worn Camera Footage (After Pursuit)

Investigators obtained and reviewed a total of 50 body-worn camera footage clips from 44 different Akron Police officers. A total of 12 body-worn camera footage clips captured portions of the shooting. The body-worn camera footage from the officers (8 clips) who discharged their weapons, as well as body-worn camera footage from four witness officers whose body-worn

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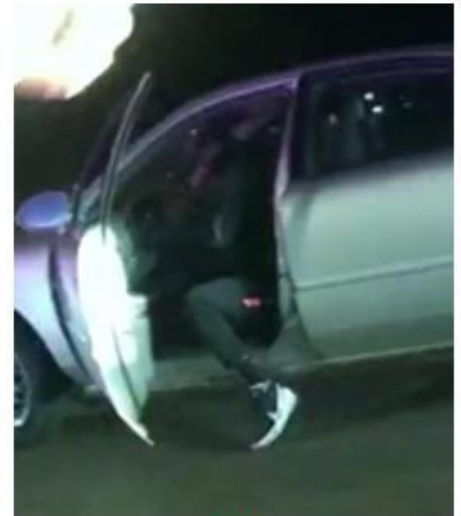
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camera captured portions of the shooting, was sent to the Ohio Organized Crime Investigation Commission for enhancement and synchronization.

As part of the presentation, a total of 533 marked images were extracted that are relevant to the shooting event.

Each marked image was derived from a video frame. The body-worn camera footage records in approximately 30 frames per second. A time code effect was added by OOCIC to the synchronized body-worn camera videos. The time code effect counts each of the 30 frames within a second. OOCIC also added frame counters to the individual body-worn camera videos. The frame counters individually identified where the synchronized body-worn camera videos started in the course of the full-length body-worn camera videos.

The below images are marked by the time code number (additional mathematical calculators were performed to time certain events). The images depicted in this report are for demonstrative purposes only. In-depth reviews and analysis of all of the available videos were performed in separate reports.



At approximately 02:17 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage attempting to exit through the driver's side of his vehicle.

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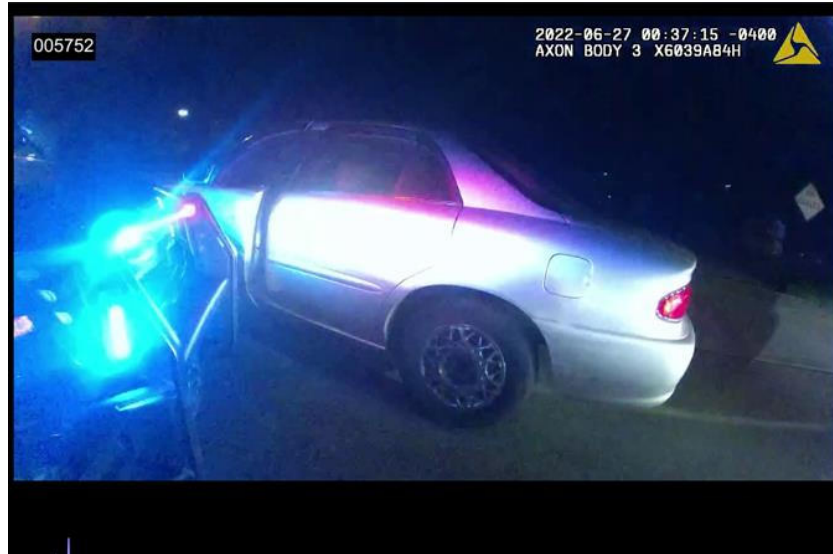


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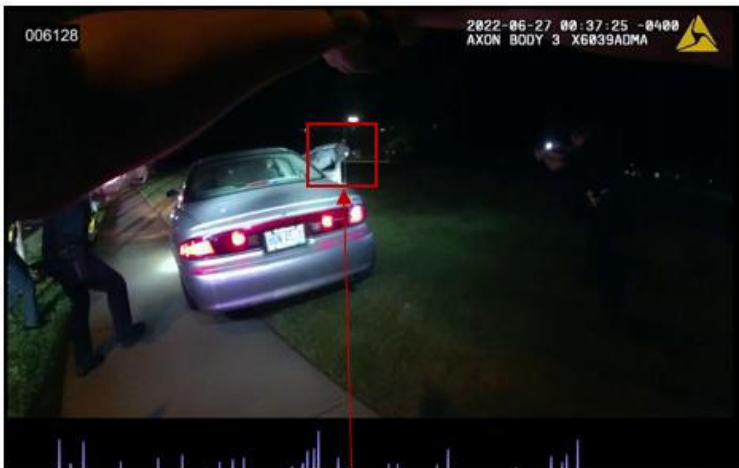


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At approximately 03:26 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s cruiser is possibly observed making contact with Jayland's vehicle, causing the driver's side door of Jayland's vehicle to close.



At approximately 14:21 on the time code, Jayland is observed on [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage exiting through the passenger side of his vehicle. Jayland is observed wearing a balaclava, covering the majority of his face.

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At approximately 14:22 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage exiting through the passenger side of his vehicle. Jayland is observed wearing a balaclava, covering the majority of his face.



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At approximately 15:05 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage running away from his vehicle.

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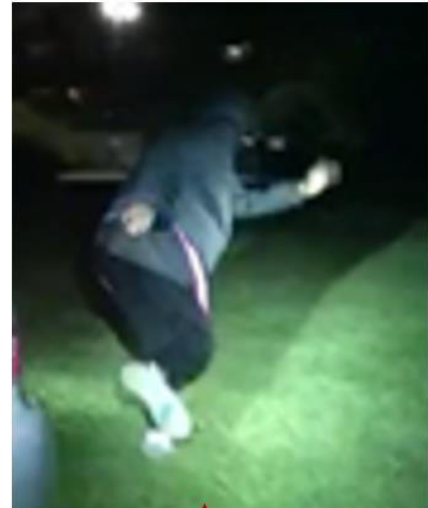


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At approximately 15:08 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera running from officers.



At approximately 15:13 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera continuing to run from officers.

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Beginning at approximately 17:05 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera. It appears that Jayland stops running and begins to turn towards officers. Jayland then proceeds to conduct a 360-degree turn.

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At approximately 17:16 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera facing toward officers after completing a 180-degree turn.



At approximately 18:01 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera turning back toward his right.

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At approximately 18:11 on the time code, Jayland is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera completing his 360-degree turn.



At approximately 19:[REDACTED] on the time code, it appears that Officer [REDACTED] discharged his Taser. Jayland is observed continuing to run.

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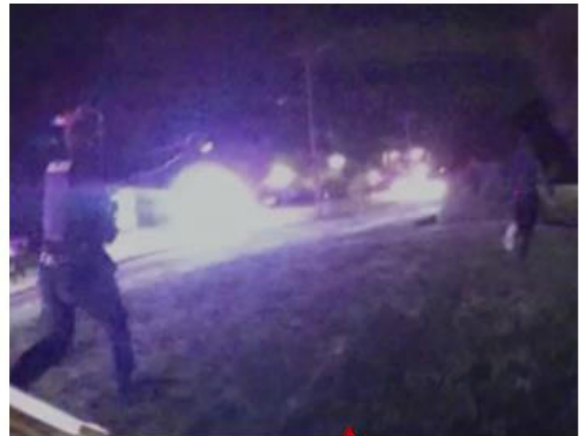


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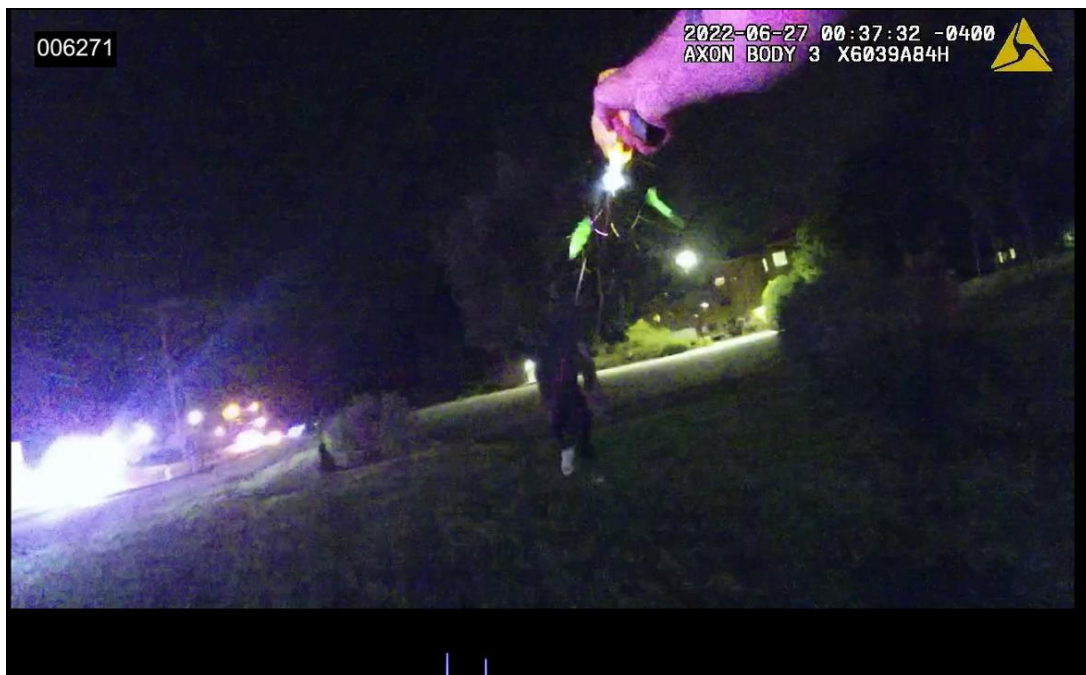


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At approximately 21:03 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera with his Taser aimed toward Jayland. It appears that the Taser's red dot is observed on Jayland's back area.



At approximately 21:05 on the time code, it appears that Officer [REDACTED] discharges his Taser.

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At approximately 22:10 on the time code, Jayland continues to run. It appears that Jayland has both of his arms away from his body, as if he is pumping his arms as he is running.



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At approximately 23:18 on the time code, it appears Jayland is running with his hands in front of his body, near his waistband, and he veered to his right.

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Beginning at approximately 24:11 on the time code, it appears that Jayland begins to turn around to face officers. This action is captured on Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn cameras.



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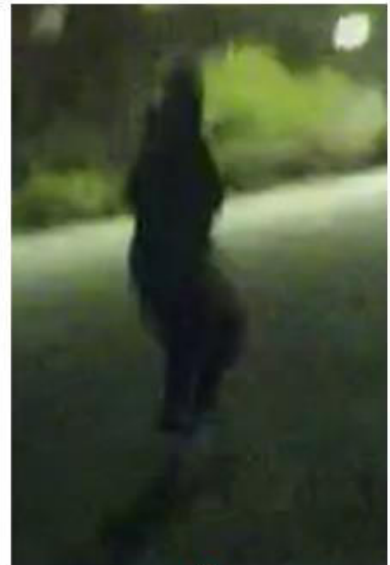
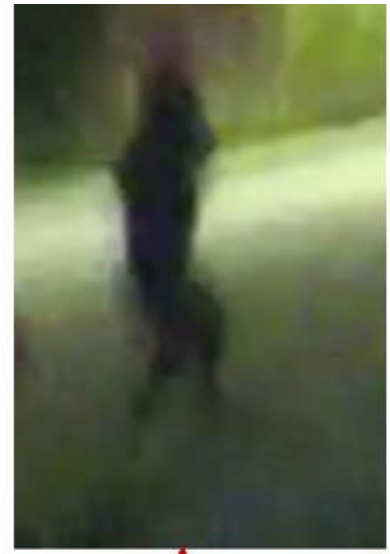


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At approximately 24:15 on the time code, it appears that Jayland is now facing toward officers. It also appears that Jayland has his arms inward to his body



Starting at approximately 24:25 on the time code, it appears that Jayland begins to raise his right arm/hand.

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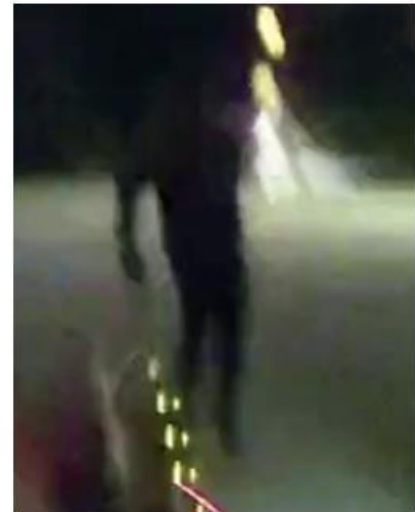


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At approximately 24:26 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures what appears to be Jayland's right arm continuing to raise.



At approximately 24:26 on the time code, [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures what appears to be Jayland's right arm continuing to raise.

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At approximately 24:28 on the time code, it appears as if Jayland's right arm is away from his body. This image is captured on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera.



At approximately 24:29 on the time code, it appears that Jayland's right arm is extended outward. This image is captured on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera.

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At approximately 25:00 on the time code, it appears that Jayland's right arm is extended outward. This image is captured on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera.



At approximately 25:01 on the time code, it appears that Jayland's right arm is extended outward. This image is captured on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera.

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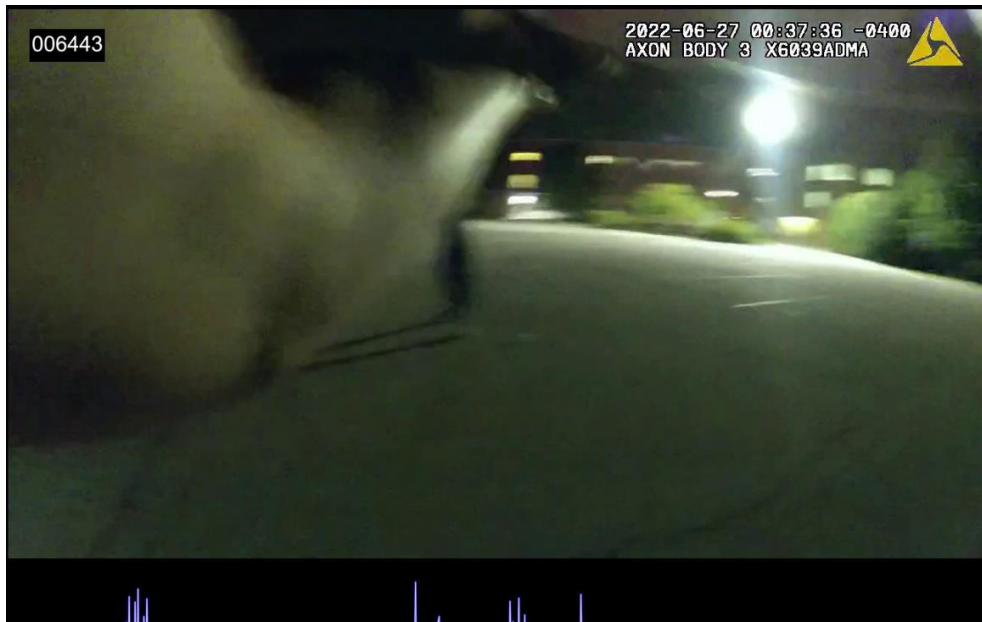


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At approximately 25:02 on the time code, it appears that Jayland's right arm is extended outward. This image is captured on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera.



At approximately 25:05 on the time code, the sound of the first possible gunshot fired is heard (Possibly fired by [REDACTED]).

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At approximately 25:07 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures what appears to be Officer [REDACTED] jumping in the air.

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At approximately 25:24 on the time code, after shots have been fired, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures Jayland's left arm fully extended. The body-worn camera footage also captures Officer [REDACTED] jumping in the air.

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At approximately 25:26 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures Jayland beginning to fall. It also captures, what appears to be Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] drawing their pistols.

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At approximately 26:06 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures Jayland falling to the ground.



At approximately 26:08 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures Jayland on the ground.

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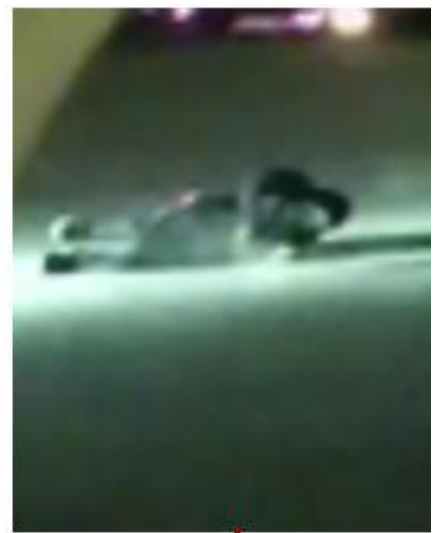


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At approximately 26:13 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures Jayland on the ground.



At approximately 26:17 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures Jayland rolling to his side.

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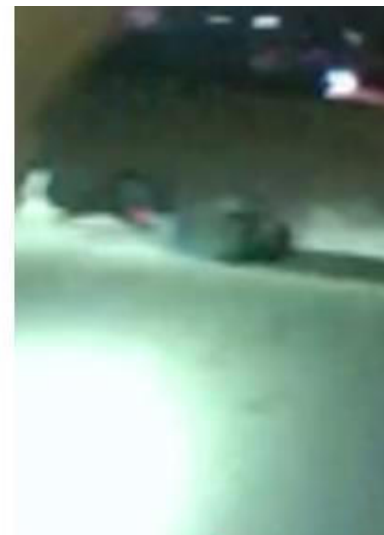


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At approximately 26:24 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures Jayland as he continues to roll.



At approximately 26:28 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captured Jayland rolling to his back.

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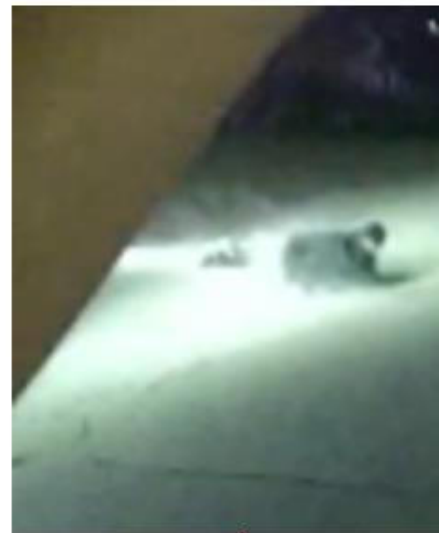


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At approximately 27:05 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures Jayland rolling to his side from his back.



At approximately 27:23 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures what appears to be Jayland rolling from his side to his stomach.

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At approximately 28:04 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures Jayland rolling from his stomach area to his side.



At approximately 28:29 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures Jayland on his back.

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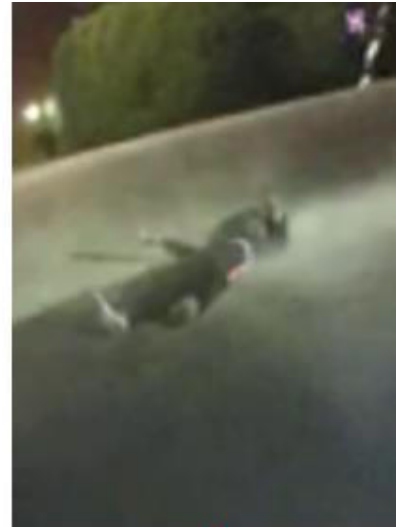


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At approximately 29:00 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera captures Jayland on his back. It appears that Jayland raises arms/hands are raised.



At approximal 29:16 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera appears to capture Jayland rolling to his left side.

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At approximately 30:27 on the time code, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera captures what appears to be Jayland rolling back to his left.

Timing Calculations

It is believed that the first possible gunshot was fired at 25:05 on the time code. It is believed that the last gunshot heard and observed was at approximately 31:25-31:27 on the time code. Time from the first gunshot to last gunshot is approximately 6.7 seconds (201 frames) to 6.77 seconds (203 frames).

At approximately 30:28 on the time code, Jayland's lower body and hips rolled back to his left. The last gunshot heard and observed was at approximately 31:25-31:27 on the time code. Time from Jayland's lower body and hips rolled back to his left until last gunshot heard and observed is .93 of a second (28 frames total) to 1.0 second (30 frames total).

When Jayland began to open the front passenger-side door 13:24 to when Jayland began to turn around in the parking lot to face the officers (24:11).

- *About 10.56 seconds elapsed (317 frames total).*

When Jayland began to open front passenger-side door (13:24) to when Jayland raised his right hand/arm up near shoulder/armpit height (25:02).

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- *About 11.27 seconds elapsed (338 frames total).*

When Jayland began to open front passenger-side door (13:24) to when the possible first gunshot fired (possibly [REDACTED] (25:05).

- *About 11.37 seconds elapsed (341 frames total).*

When Jayland began to open front passenger-side door (13:24) to when the approximate frames of the last gunshot heard and observed ([REDACTED] BWC, unknown exactly which officer fired). The pace of the gunshots leading up to this frame had slowed. (31:25 / 00-00-31:27).

- *About 18.07 seconds / 18.17 seconds elapsed (542 frames total / 544 frames total).*

Scene Processing

Ohio BCI Crime Scene agents responded to the scene after the shooting for processing. SA Justin Soroka photographed the scene as it was found. Yellow barrier tape had been placed around the scene and Akron Police officers were stationed at the nearest intersections and around the parking lot, providing scene security. 1655 and 1659 South Main St. were buildings that were a part of the Bridgestone Cooperation and sat on the corner of South Main St. and E. Wilbeth Rd. in the City of Akron. An access driveway to both buildings was located off of E. Wilbeth Rd. and was reportedly the general area in which the subject fled from the vehicle on foot. The access driveway led to parking lots for the buildings, with the parking lot to the west of the driveway being where the shooting took place. Street lights lined the north and south side of E. Wilbeth Rd. The area was dimly lit with ambient light from the street lights and a light located in the parking lot. Between the parking lot and the access driveway was mowed grass, and landscaped beds were located on the east and the south sides of the parking lot. The south side of the parking lot ran parallel with the sidewalk and E. Wilbeth Rd., with a mowed grass area separating the two. In the parking lot, the Akron Fire Department was on scene and was providing auxiliary lighting to illuminate the scene.

Near the southeast corner of the parking lot is where the shooting appeared to have occurred. Placards numbered up to 12 had been placed in the parking lot, but numerous other items, including, but not limited to, cartridge cases, Tasers and firearms magazines, which were not placarded, were observed throughout the parking lot. The subject was lying in the parking lot, approximately 72' from the southeast corner of the parking lot. The subject was lying on his back with his head to the northwest and his feet to the southeast. His hands were handcuffed with his right arm behind his back, his left arm at his side and both hands near his left hip. The subject appeared to have been wearing black pants, tennis shoes, a blue shirt, a black jacket and a thin,

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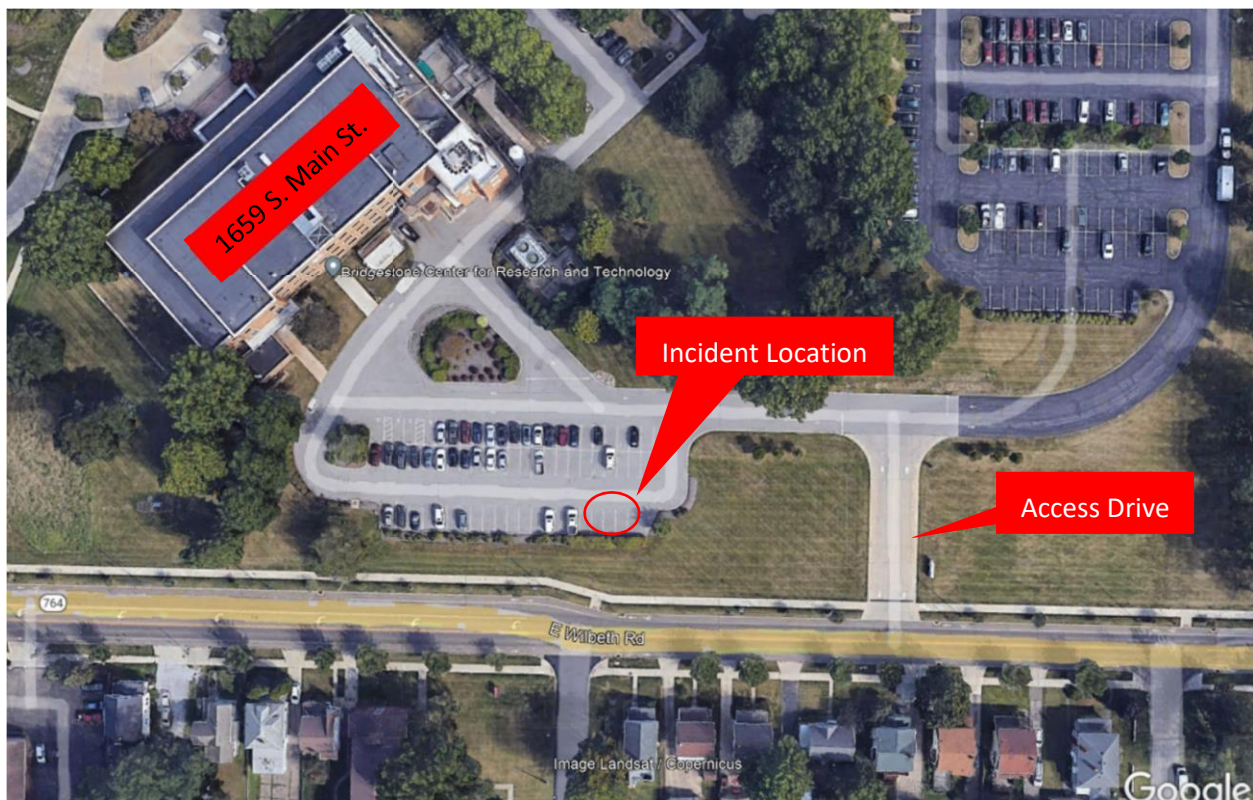
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black head covering. The pants and blue shirt appeared to have been cut, presumably by medical personnel. Numerous defects were observed on the subject's body. Tourniquets were observed to have been placed on his upper-left arm and his right and left thigh. Gauze appeared to have been placed on or in several of the injuries. Numerous first aid supplies were observed on the pavement around the deceased. Multiple defects in the asphalt pavement, consistent with bullet impacts, were observed around the deceased.



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Small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS) Photo / Looking West

The parking lot was searched and the items that had been placarded were re-placarded. Item #1 through item #3 and item #6 were bullets that were located on the pavement near the deceased. Item #4, Item #5 and item #7 through item #97 were cartridge cases marked with the headstamp "Speer 9mm Luger." Item #92 included two cartridge cases. An X-26 Taser was marked as item #98. The safety was in the "On" position and the Taser cartridge had been fired. An X-26 Taser was marked as item #99. The safety was in the "Off" position and the Taser cartridge had not been fired. A 17-capacity Glock 9mm magazine containing no cartridges was marked as item #100. The letters [REDACTED] were observed on the side of the magazine; however, the word or name was illegible. A 15-capacity Glock 9mm magazine containing no cartridges was marked as item #101. The number [REDACTED] was observed on the side of the magazine. A 17-capacity Glock 9mm magazine containing no cartridges was marked as item #104. The number [REDACTED] was observed

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on the side of the magazine. Taser wires with probes located in the parking lot were marked as item #102 and item #103. A Taser wire with a probe located in the mowed grass area, south of the parking lot, and the landscaped bed was marked as item #105.



Parking Lot with Placards in Place / Looking Northwest

The landscaped beds around the parking lot and the mowed grass, approximately 10' from the landscaped beds, were searched with the use of a metal detector. Nothing additional was located.

The subject's vehicle had come to rest in the corner of 40 E. Wilbeth Rd., which was the Firestone Park Christian Church. It was reported that Akron Police had stopped the vehicle from running, but otherwise had left it in the condition it was found. SA Soroka photographed the vehicle, a 2005 silver Buick Century bearing Ohio license plate HON 4514, as it was found. Tire tracks in the grass were observed leading to the vehicle's final rest, and a stop sign at the east corner of E. Wilbeth Rd. and Clairmont Ave. was lying on the ground in a manner that was consistent with the vehicle's direction of travel. On the driver's seat of the vehicle, a handgun,

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handgun magazine, cartridge case and a gold, wedding-style ring were observed. SA Soroka spoke with Det. Sgt. Orrand about the collection of the firearm. It was determined that the firearm would be collected and the vehicle would be towed to be processed at a later time. SA Soroka collected the firearm, which was a Glock 45 9mm bearing serial number BVXA 810. The slide was locked back and nothing was located in the chamber. The Glock magazine indicated it had a capacity of 17 cartridges. The magazine was unloaded and found to contain eight cartridges marked with the headstamp "SIG 9mm Luger." The cartridges were placed back in the magazine and the magazine was packaged with the handgun, which was identified as item #107. The cartridge case located on the driver's seat was marked with the headstamp "SIG 9mm Luger." It was collected and identified as item #106.



OH / HON 4514



Driver's Seat

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The investigator with the Summit County Medical Examiner's Office conducted his examination. The deceased was removed from the scene by a transport team. Nothing additional was located underneath the deceased.

The scene was mapped with the use of the Faro 3D Scanner. The scene was also documented with the use of a Small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS).

An Akron Police officer working scene security had located a bullet near the loading dock of the Bridgestone building. The area was searched by that Akron officer, officers with the Akron Crime Scene Unit and SA Soroka. Six additional bullets were located in the area of the loading dock and were identified as item #108 through Item #113.

Laboratory Testing Results

A total of 155 items were submitted to the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation for analysis.

DNA

Laboratory #98, Matrix #106-SIG 9mm Luger cartridge case located on driver's seat of Buick Century license HON4514.

Laboratory #99, Matrix #107-Firearm (Glock 45-SN# BVXA810) with magazine containing eight cartridges marked with the head stamp "SIG 9mm Luger," located on driver's seat of HON 4514.



Figure 1: Laboratory item #98-cartridge case



Figure 2: Laboratory item #99-Firearm

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98 Cartridge case from vehicle	
98.1 Swab from cartridge case	DNA profile consistent with Jayland Walker – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion [Ⓢ] unrelated individuals.
99 Firearm with magazine and cartridges from vehicle	
99.1 Swab of trigger/trigger guard 99.2 Swab of grip 99.3 Swab of back slide area	DNA profile consistent with Jayland Walker – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion [Ⓢ] unrelated individuals.
99.4 Swab of buttons 99.5 Swab of front sight area 99.6 Swab of base of magazine 99.7 Swab of body of magazine	Mixture (1 major contributor) Major – consistent with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jayland Walker – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the major DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion[Ⓢ] unrelated individuals. The remainder of the mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.

Laboratory #146, Matrix #116-SIG 9mm Luger cartridge case-located on the Route 8 South ramp from East Tallmadge Avenue-Recovered by Akron Police.



Figure 3: Cartridge case recovered from Route 8 south ramp from East Tallmadge

146 Cartridge case from the scene	
146.1 Swab from cartridge case	No DNA profile

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Firearms

Synopsis:

The fired cartridge case that was located on the Route 8 South entrance ramp, near where it was reported that Jayland had fired a shot, returned to the firearm that was located in Jayland's vehicle. An additional fired cartridge case was located in Jayland's vehicle. That fired cartridge case also returned to the firearm that was located in Jayland's vehicle. Jayland purchased that firearm on June 20, 2022, at Range USA.

A total of 94 fired cases were located at the scene of the shooting. Based on the firearm laboratory report, officer statements and other physical evidence, the following conclusion was made:

Officer	Shots Fired
Officer [REDACTED]	4
Officer [REDACTED]	11
Officer [REDACTED]	6
Officer [REDACTED]	3
Officer [REDACTED]	18
Officer [REDACTED]	18
Officer [REDACTED]	18
Officer [REDACTED]	16

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Item #99 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #98 and 146 – two (2) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Inconclusive*
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Officer [REDACTED]

During Officer [REDACTED] s ([REDACTED] interview, he stated that he carried a total of 18 rounds in his firearm, 17 in the magazine and one in the chamber. Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [REDACTED] s firearm and discovered a total of 14 rounds remaining.

Item #147 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #58, 59, 60, and 61 – four (4) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Item #129 – one (1) fired bullet	Source Identification
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Inconclusive*
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of four fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 58, Matrix Number 58-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 59, Matrix Number 59-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 60, Matrix Number 60-Fired Cartridge Case

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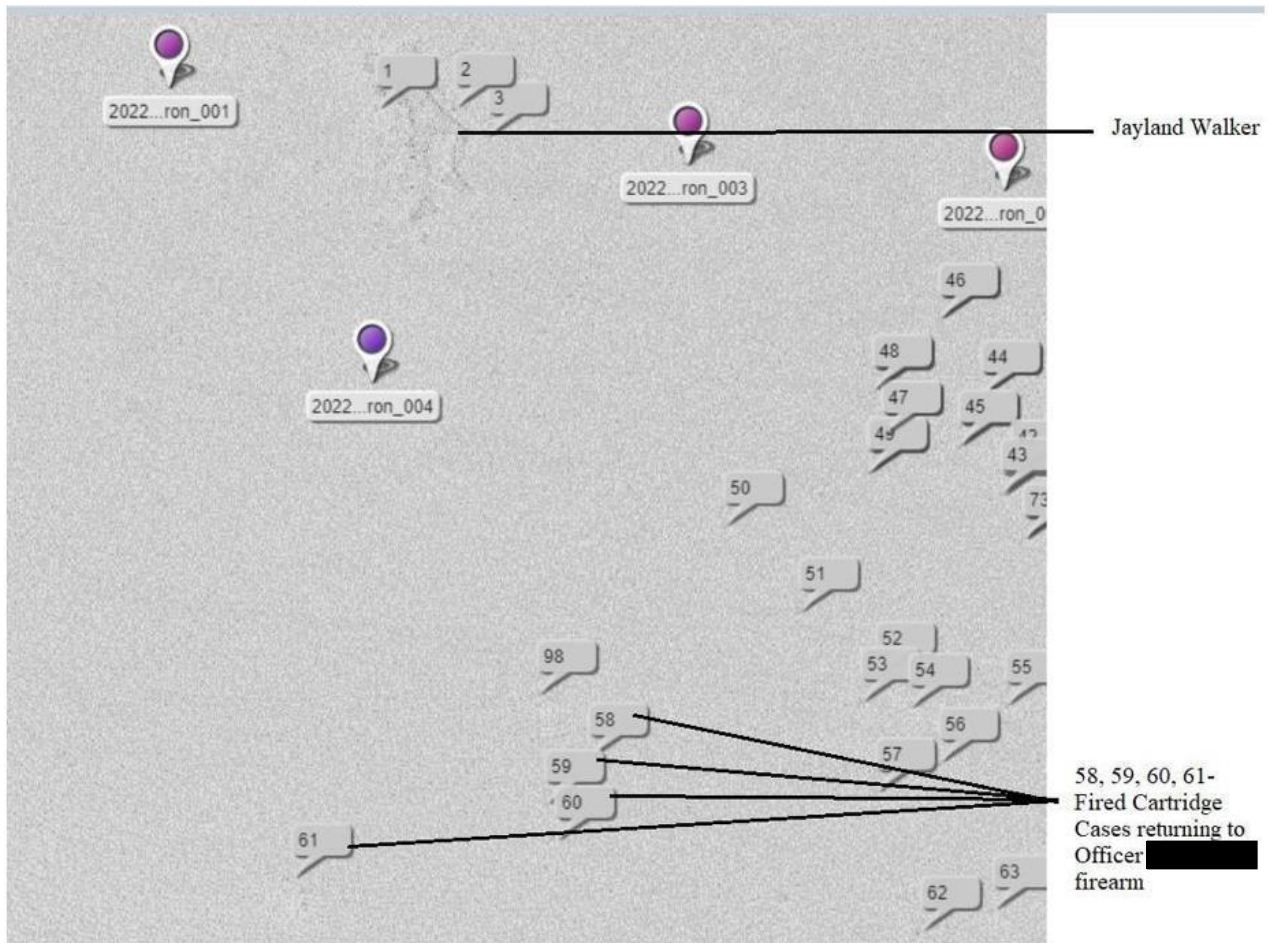
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- Lab Number 61, Matrix Number 61-Fired Cartridge Case



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Projectiles

Projectiles-One projectile was recovered from the body of Jayland Walker that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 129, Matrix Number 157-Bullet from left chest Sub Q

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Officer [REDACTED]

During Officer [REDACTED] s ([REDACTED] interview, she stated that she carried a total of 16 rounds in her firearm, 15 in the magazine and one in the chamber.

Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [REDACTED] s firearm and discovered a total of five rounds remaining.

Item #148 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #63, 65, 69, 70, 71, 74, 84, 93, 94, 95, and 96 – eleven (11) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #100, 101, 130, 132, 133, 135, and 145 – seven (7) fired bullets	Source Identification
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Inconclusive*
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of 11 fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 63, Matrix Number 63-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 65, Matrix Number 65-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 69, Matrix Number 69-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 70, Matrix Number 70-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 71, Matrix Number 71-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 74, Matrix Number 74-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 84, Matrix Number 84-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 93, Matrix Number 93-Fired Cartridge Case

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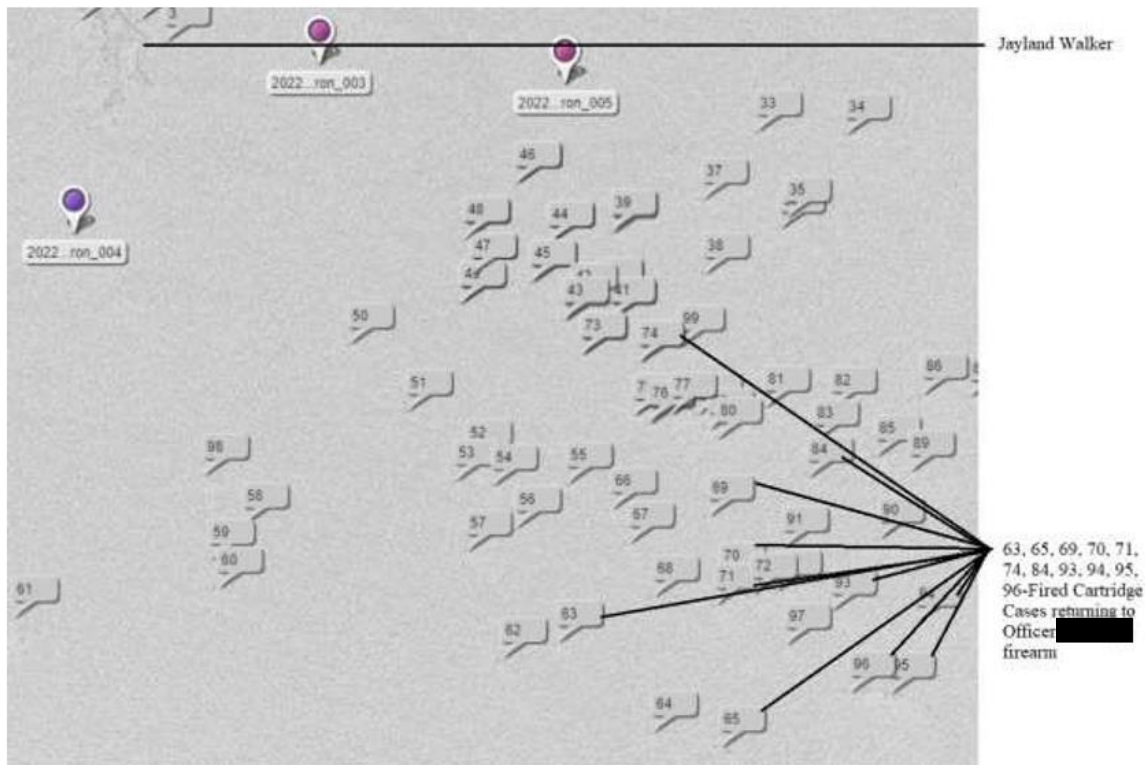
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- Lab Number 94, Matrix Number 94-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 95, Matrix Number 95-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 96, Matrix Number 96-Fired Cartridge Case



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Projectiles

Two projectiles were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 100, Matrix Number 108-Projectile located on pavement near loading dock
- Lab Number 101, Matrix Number 109-Projectile located on pavement near loading dock

Five projectiles were recovered from the body of Jayland that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

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- Lab Number 130, Matrix Number 158-Bullet from Clothing Near Pelvis
- Lab Number 132, Matrix Number 160-Bullet from Left Pelvis
- Lab Number 133, Matrix Number 161-Bullet from Right Pubis
- Lab Number 135, Matrix Number 163-Bullet from Anterior Right Hip Sub Q
- Lab Number 145, Matrix Number 173-Bullet from Diaphragm

Officer [REDACTED]

During Officer [REDACTED] s ([REDACTED] interview, he stated that he carried a total of 24 rounds in his firearm, 23 in the magazine and one in the chamber. Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [REDACTED] s firearm and discovered a total of 17 rounds remaining.

Item #149 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #7, 8, 10, 12, 13, and 14 – six (6) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Inconclusive*
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of six fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 7, Matrix Number 7-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 8, Matrix Number 8-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 10, Matrix Number 10-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 12, Matrix Number 12-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 13, Matrix Number 13-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 14, Matrix Number 14-Fired Cartridge Case

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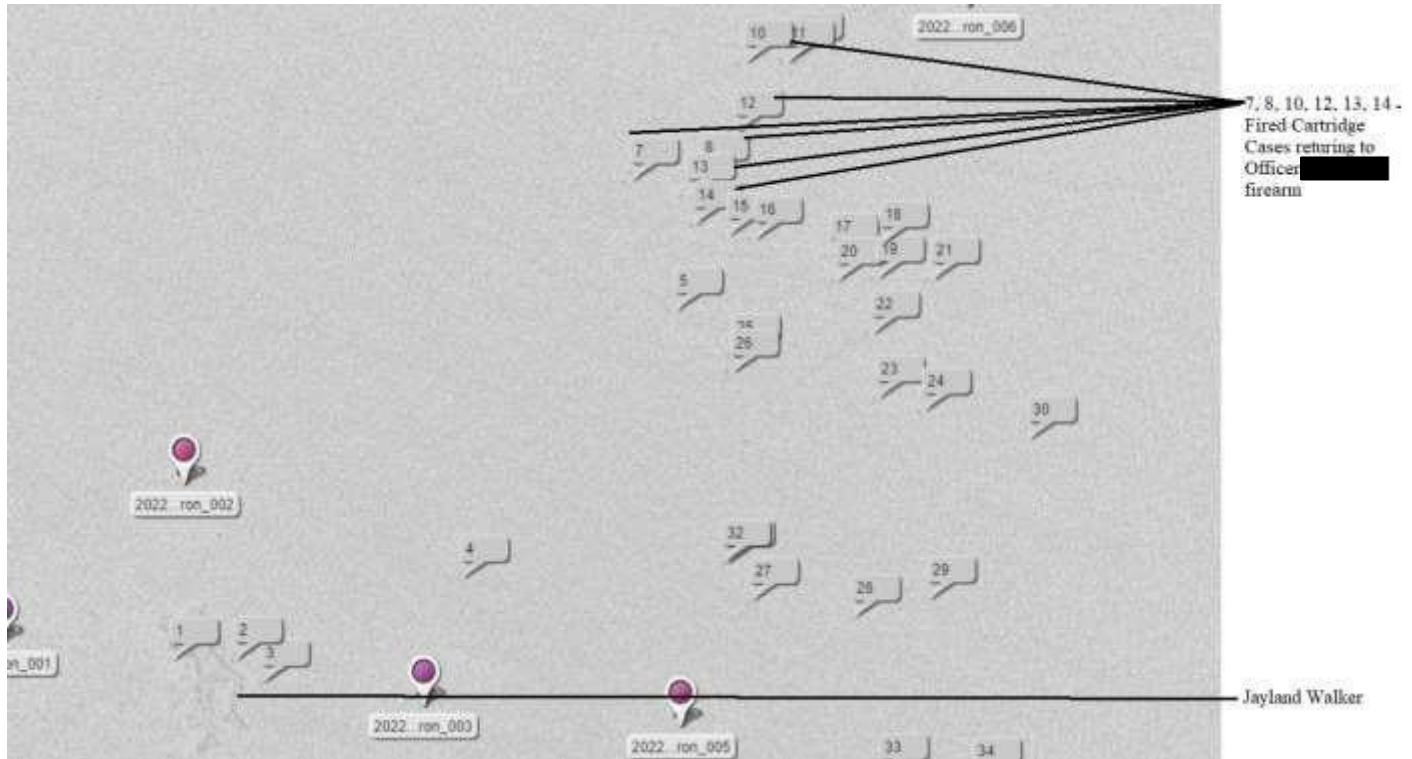


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Projectiles

No recovered projectiles conclusively returned to Officer [redacted] s firearm.

*It should be noted that Officer [redacted] stated that he was carrying a total of 24 rounds in his firearm, 23 in the extended magazine and one in the chamber. If Officer [redacted] was carrying 24 rounds, 7 rounds are missing from his firearm. Only six fired cartridge cases returning to Officer [redacted] s firearm were recovered at the scene.

Due to the discrepancy, SA Momchilov examined the extended magazine that Officer [redacted] was carrying in his firearm. SA Momchilov discovered that twenty-two 9mm rounds could easily be placed in the magazine. Using extreme force, SA Momchilov was able to place the 23rd round in the magazine. The round count indicator on Officer [redacted] s extended magazine only goes to 17. It is possible that Officer [redacted] thought he was carrying 23 rounds in his magazine,

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when in fact, he was only carrying 22, which would account for only 6 fired cartridge cases being recovered.

Officer [REDACTED]

During Officer [REDACTED]'s interview, he stated that he carried a total of 18 rounds in his firearm, 17 in the magazine and one in the chamber. Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm and discovered a total of 15 rounds remaining.

Item #150 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #19, 22, and 25 – three (3) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Item #3 – one (1) fired bullet	Source Identification
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Inconclusive*
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of three fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm.

- Lab Number 19, Matrix Number 19-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 22, Matrix Number 22-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 25, Matrix Number 25-Fired Cartridge Case



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Jayland Walker

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Projectiles

One projectile was recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 3, Matrix Number 3-Bullet Located Near Body

Officer [REDACTED]

During Officer [REDACTED] s interview, he stated that he carried a total of 18 rounds in his firearm, 17 in the magazine and one in the chamber. Officer [REDACTED] stated after the shooting, he conducted a magazine reload. Officer [REDACTED] s magazine was located at the scene and found to be empty.

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Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm and discovered a total of 17 rounds remaining.

Item #151 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #4, 40, 41, 43, 45, 47 – 57, 75, and 79 – eighteen (18) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #2, 116, 120, 126, and 134 – five (5) fired bullets	Source Identification
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Inconclusive*
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of 18 fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm.

- Lab Number 4, Matrix Number 4-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 40, Matrix Number 40-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 41, Matrix Number 41-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 43, Matrix Number 43-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 45, Matrix Number 45-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 47, Matrix Number 47-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 48, Matrix Number 48-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 49, Matrix Number 49-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 50, Matrix Number 50-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 51, Matrix Number 51-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 52, Matrix Number 52-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 53, Matrix Number 53-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 54, Matrix Number 54-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 55, Matrix Number 55-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 56, Matrix Number 56-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 57, Matrix Number 57-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 75, Matrix Number 75-Fired Cartridge Case

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- Lab Number 79, Matrix Number 79-Fired Cartridge Case



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Projectiles

One projectile was recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [redacted] s firearm.

- Lab Number 2, Matrix Number 2-Bullet Located Near Body

Four projectiles were recovered from the body of Jayland Walker that returned to Officer [redacted] s firearm.

- Lab Number 116, Matrix Number 144-Bullet and Fabric from Posterior Right Shoulder

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- Lab Number 120, Matrix Number 148-Bullet from Lateral Lobe of Left Lung
- Lab Number 126, Matrix Number 154-Bullet from Bladder
- Lab Number 134, Matrix Number 162-Bullet from Right Psoas Muscle

Officer [REDACTED]

During Officer [REDACTED]'s interview, he stated that he carried a total of 18 rounds in his firearm, 17 in the magazine and one in the chamber. After the shooting, Officer [REDACTED] conducted a magazine reload. Officer [REDACTED]'s magazine was located at the scene and found to be empty.

Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm and discovered a total of 17 rounds remaining.

Item #152 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #27, 33, 35, 36, 37, 42, 44, 46, 66, 76, 78, 80, 85, 90, 91, 92, and 97 – eighteen (18) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #103, 105, 107, and 118 – four (4) fired bullets	Source Identification
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Inconclusive*
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of 18 fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm.

- Lab Number 27, Matrix Number 27-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 33, Matrix Number 33-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 35, Matrix Number 35-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 36, Matrix Number 36-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 37, Matrix Number 37-Fired Cartridge Case

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- Lab Number 42, Matrix Number 42-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 44, Matrix Number 44-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 46, Matrix Number 46-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 66, Matrix Number 66-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 76, Matrix Number 76-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 78, Matrix Number 78-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 80, Matrix Number 80-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 85, Matrix Number 85-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 90, Matrix Number 90-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 91, Matrix Number 91-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 92, Matrix Number 92-Two (2) Fired Cartridge Cases*
- Lab Number 97, Matrix Number 97-Fired Cartridge Case

*Crime Scene placard 92 was used to mark two fired cartridge cases.



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Three projectiles were recovered from the scene return to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 103, Matrix Number 111-Bullet Fragment Located Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 105, Matrix Number 113-Bullet Fragment Located Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 107, Matrix Number 135-Bullet Fragment Located Near Loading Dock

One projectile was recovered from the body of Jayland Walker that returned to Officer [REDACTED] s firearm.

- Lab Number 118, Matrix Number 146-Bullet from Deep Right Hip

Officer [REDACTED]

During Officer [REDACTED] s interview, he stated that he carried a total of 18 rounds in his firearm, 17 in the magazine and one in the chamber. After the shooting, Officer [REDACTED] conducted a magazine reload. Officer [REDACTED] stated that he later picked up his empty magazine from the scene. Footage from Officer [REDACTED] s body-worn camera confirmed that he did pick up his empty magazine.

Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [REDACTED] s firearm and discovered a total of 17 rounds remaining. Officer [REDACTED] s empty magazine was also examined.

Item #153 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #5, 9, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 34 – eighteen (18) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Inconclusive*
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Source Exclusion

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Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of 18 fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm.

- Lab Number 5, Matrix Number 5-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 9, Matrix Number 9-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 11, Matrix Number 11-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 15, Matrix Number 15-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 16, Matrix Number 16-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 17, Matrix Number 17-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 18, Matrix Number 18-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 20, Matrix Number 20-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 21, Matrix Number 21-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 23, Matrix Number 23-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 24, Matrix Number 24-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 26, Matrix Number 26-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 28, Matrix Number 28-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 29, Matrix Number 29-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 30, Matrix Number 30-Fired Cartridge Case
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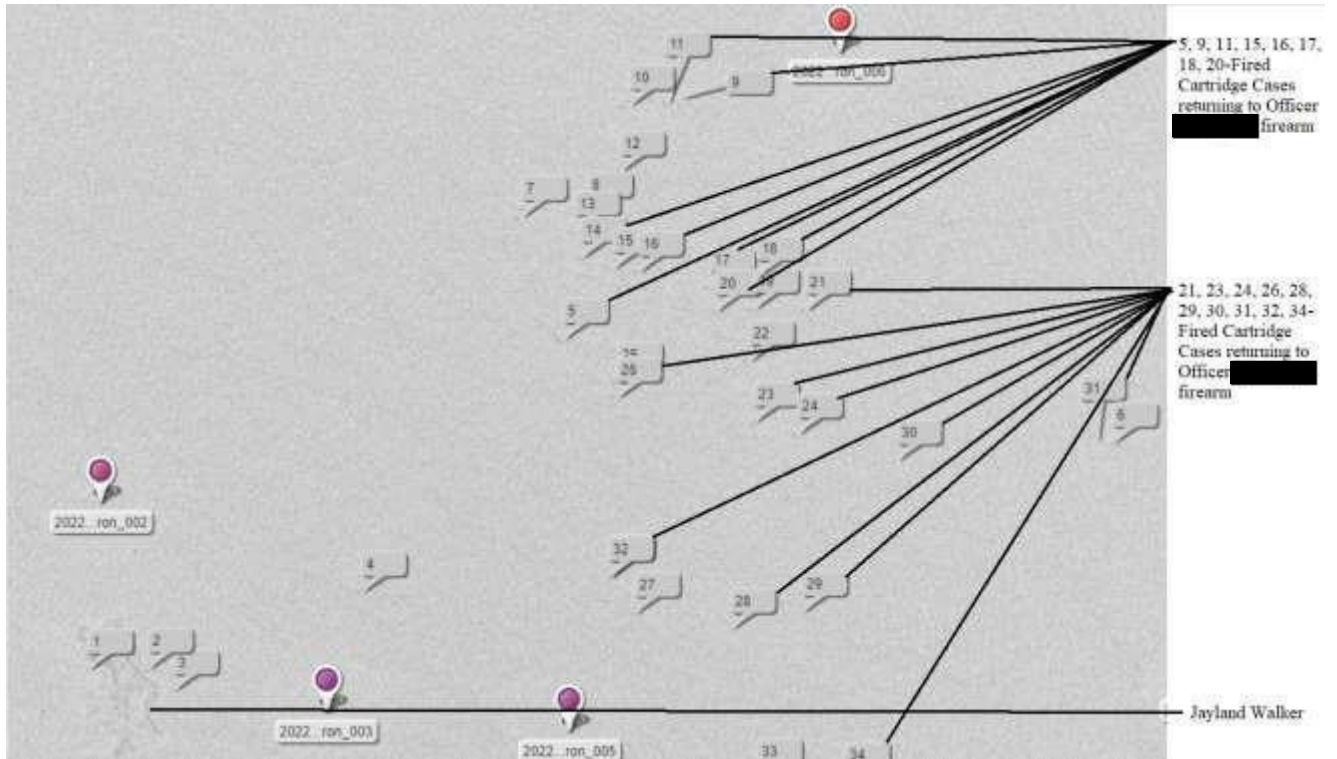


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Projectiles

No recovered projectiles conclusively returned to Officer [redacted]'s firearm.

Officer [redacted]

During Officer [redacted]'s interview, he stated that he carried a total of 16 rounds in his firearm, 15 in the magazine and one in the chamber. After the shooting, Officer [redacted] conducted a magazine reload. Officer [redacted]'s magazine was located at the scene and found to be empty.

Crime Scene Agent Soroka later conducted a round count of Officer [redacted]'s firearm and discovered a total of 15 rounds remaining.

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Item #154 – Glock pistol serial number [REDACTED]	N/A	Operable
	Items #38, 39, 62, 64, 67, 68, 72, 73, 77, 81, 82, 83, 86, 87, 88, and 89 – sixteen (16) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #127 and 144 – two (2) fired bullets	Source Identification
	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Inconclusive*
	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Source Exclusion

Lab Results

Cartridge Cases

According to the Ohio BCI firearms laboratory report, a total of 16 fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene that returned to Officer [REDACTED]'s firearm.

- Lab Number 38, Matrix Number 38-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 39, Matrix Number 39-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 62, Matrix Number 62-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 64, Matrix Number 64-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 67, Matrix Number 67-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 68, Matrix Number 68-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 72, Matrix Number 72-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 73, Matrix Number 73-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 77, Matrix Number 77-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 81, Matrix Number 81-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 82, Matrix Number 82-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 83, Matrix Number 83-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 86, Matrix Number 86-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 87, Matrix Number 87-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 88, Matrix Number 88-Fired Cartridge Case
- Lab Number 89, Matrix Number 89-Fired Cartridge Case

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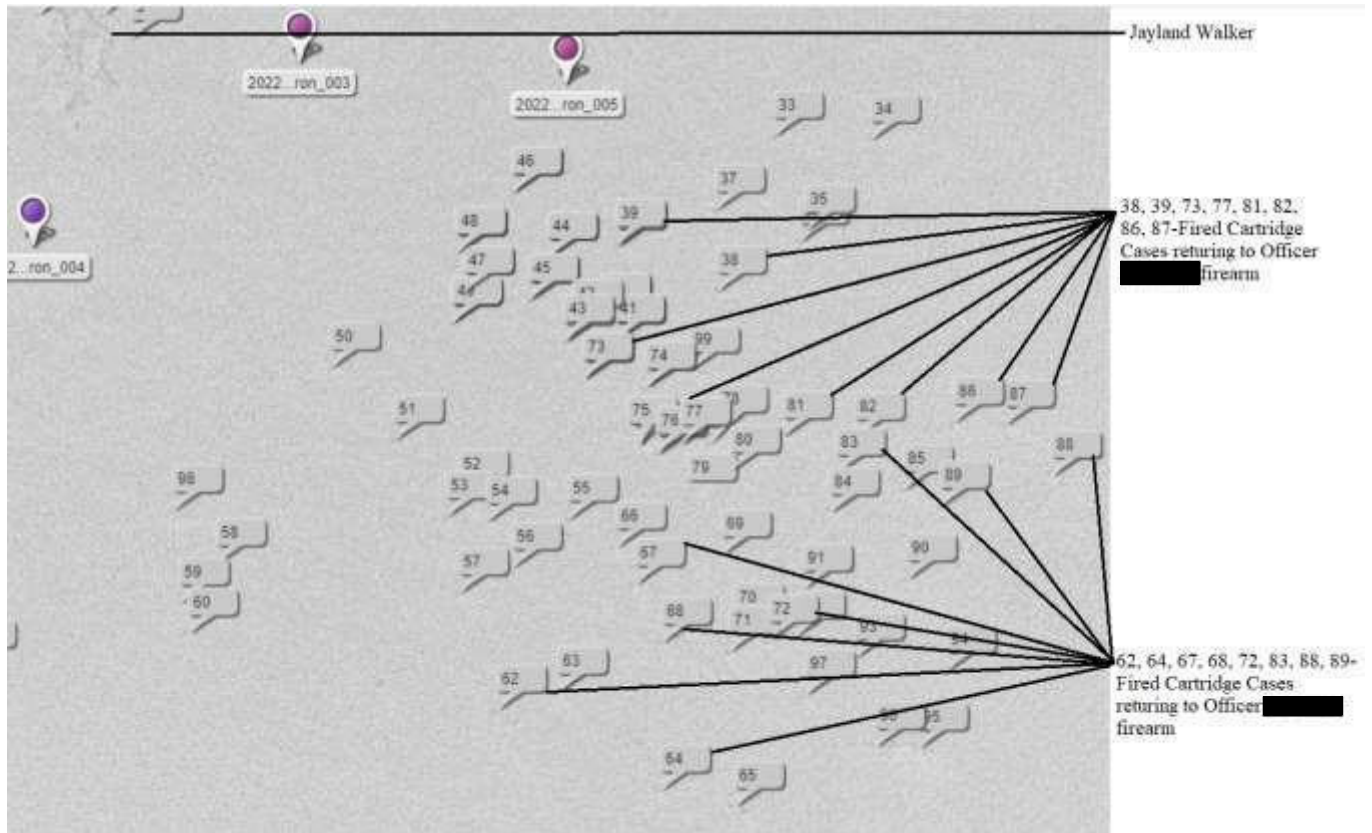


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Projectiles

Two projectiles were recovered from the body of Jayland Walker that returned to Officer [redacted] s firearm.

- Lab Number 127, Matrix Number 155-Bullet from Right Illiac Crest
- Lab Number 144, Matrix Number 172-Bullet from Right Back Sub Q

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Inconclusive Results

A total of 22 fired bullets and 3 bullet fragments were found to be inconclusive:

Of the 22 projectiles and 3 bullet fragments, 5 projectiles were found to be inconclusive for Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] s firearms.

Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] s firearms were excluded as the source of those five projectiles.

Officers	Inconclusive	Source Exclusion
Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED]	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments

The five projectiles that were determined to be inconclusive for Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] were recovered from the body of Jayland Walker.

- Lab Number 114, Matrix Number 142-Bullet from Right Buttock-Lower
- Lab Number 121, Matrix Number 149-Bullet from Exterior Briefs
- Lab Number 122, Matrix Number 150-Bullet from Left Shoe
- Lab Number 137, Matrix Number 165-Bullet from Lateral Left Chest Wall
- Lab Number 140, Matrix Number 168-Bullet from Sub Q over T-Spine

The remaining 17 projectiles and 3 bullet fragments were found to be inconclusive for Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] s firearms. Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] s firearms were excluded as the source of those 17 projectiles and 3 bullet fragments.



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Officer	Inconclusive	Source Exclusion
Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED] Officer [REDACTED]	Items #1, 6, 102, 104, 110, 112, 115, 117, 119, 123, 124, 125, 128, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, and 155 – seventeen (17) fired bullets and three (3) fragments	Items #114, 121, 122, 137, and 140 – five (5) fired bullets

- Lab Number 1, Matrix Number 1-Bullet Located Near Body
- Lab Number 6, Matrix Number 6-Bullet Located Near Body
- Lab Number 102, Matrix Number 110-Bullet Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 104, Matrix Number 112-Bullet Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 110, Matrix Number 138-Bullet Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 112, Matrix Number 140-Bullet Fragment Near Located West of Landscaped Bed
- Lab Number 115, Matrix Number 143-Bullet from Right Buttock-Medial
- Lab Number 117, Matrix 145-Bullet and fabric from Proximal Right Femur
- Lab Number 119, Matrix Number 147-Bullet from Right Lower Abdominal Wall
- Lab Number 123, Matrix Number 151-Bullet from Lateral Right Hip Sub Q
- Lab Number 124, Matrix Number 152-Bullet from Right calf
- Lab Number 125, Matrix Number 153-Bullet from Left neck Sub Q
- Lab Number 128, Matrix Number 156-Bullet from Left Hip
- Lab Number 138, Matrix Number 166-Bullet and Fabric from Medial Right Upper Arm
- Lab Number 139, Matrix Number 167-One (1) Bullet and One (1) Bullet Fragment from Hood and Clothing
- Lab Number 141, Matrix Number 169-Bullet from Left Lobe of Liver
- Lab Number 142, Matrix Number 170-Bullet from Left Shoulder Blade
- Lab Number 143, Matrix Number 171-Bullet Fragment from Left Pants Buttock
- Lab Number 155, Matrix Number 194-Projectile from South East Entrance of Bridgestone Center for Research and Technology

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Unsuitable for Comparison

Eight fragments were found to be unsuitable for comparison

Items #106, 108, 109, 111, 113, 131, and 136 – eight (8) fragments	N/A	Unsuitable^
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- Lab Number 106, Matrix Number 134-Bullet Fragment Located Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 108, Matrix Number 136-Bullet Fragment Located Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 109, Matrix Number 137-Bullet Fragment Located Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 111, Matrix Number 139-Bullet Fragment Located Near Loading Dock
- Lab Number 113, Matrix Number 141-Bullet Fragments from Right Lower Back Skin
- Lab Number 131, Matrix Number 159-Bullet Fragment from Distal Right Femur Marrow
- Lab Number 136, Matrix Number 164-Bullet Fragment from Anterior Upper Leg

Taser Analysis

The Taser Conducted Electrical Weapons were downloaded and spark tested.

Officer [REDACTED] s Taser recorded a one second trigger pull on June 27, 2022, at 00:37:30.

Officer [REDACTED] s Taser recorded a one second trigger pull on June 27, 2022, at 00:37:32 (with time correction).

Officer [REDACTED] s Taser was armed on June 27, 2022, at 00:37:30, but the trigger was not pulled.

Jaymeisah's Beasley Car Accident

On May 28, 2022, Jaymeisha Beasley (Jaymeisah), Jayland's fiancé, was killed in a car accident in Union Township, Ohio. According to the Ohio State Highway Patrol Report, a Sewell semi-truck rear-ending a Ford Econoline van. During this crash, the van's right rear passenger, Jaymeisha, was ejected from the van and thrown into the roadway.



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Dupri Whatley

On Saturday, July 2, 2022, at approximately 1430 hours, SA Momchilov received a call from Akron Police Department Detective Sergeant Tony Starvaggi (Starvaggi). Sergeant Starvaggi stated that he had just received information regarding a Summit County Sheriff's Jailer named Dupri Whatley (Dupri). Sergeant Starvaggi explained that Dupri interviewed for a lateral police officer position with the Euclid Police Department on June 29, 2022. Sergeant Starvaggi further explained that during that interview, Dupri stated that Jayland was his best friend and Jayland had previously asked Dupri how to get the police to shoot him. Sergeant Starvaggi advised that this information was provided to the Akron Police Department by Captain Mike Janson (Janson) of the Euclid Police Department.

Starvaggi provided SA Momchilov with Captain Janson's cellular phone number. SA Momchilov then made contact with Captain Janson by phone. SA Momchilov stated to Captain Janson that he was informed that a Summit County deputy was interviewed by Euclid Police for a police officer position.

Captain Janson advised that was correct and that Dupri Whatley put in an application with the Euclid Police Department for a lateral transfer police officer position; and, Dupri was interviewed for the position on Wednesday, June 29, 2022.

Captain Janson advised that during the interview, he believes that Dupri was asked why he hasn't applied to the Akron Police Department. According to Captain Janson, Dupri replied, "Akron P.D. is great, as matter of fact, the officer-involved shooting that just happened two days ago, the person that was killed was my best friend."

Captain Janson stated that Dupri, "went into a couple of things," and became slightly emotional. Captain Janson advised that Dupri stated that Jayland Walker's fiancé was killed in a car accident and Jayland felt responsible; even though he wasn't driving and had really no control over the incident.

Captain Janson continued, "He was talking about that he had some suicidal thoughts that he was talking to Dupri about and then Dupri said that, he kind of indicated that, like he would ask him pointed questions like, like so if I did this would the police shoot me. So he was trying to like pull information out of Dupri about how he could get the police to shoot him, because according to Dupri, he doesn't know if he had a handgun, doesn't know what his situation was with that, but then after they talked about it Dupri said, 'Listen Jayland, you don't want to do that to the

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police, you don't want them to make you shoot you, they have to live with that, you know, can I get you some help, we have all kinds of, you know, places we can send you, people you can talk to.' "

Captain Janson stated that he believed, after that, Jayland cut off contact with Dupri. Captain Janson further stated that Jayland wouldn't return Dupri's text messages or calls and that Dupri tried to find Jayland but couldn't.

SA Momchilov asked Captain Janson if he had any contact information for Dupri. Captain Janson stated that he had Dupri's email address but all other contact information was on Dupri's application, which was currently at the Euclid Police Department.

SA Momchilov also asked Captain Janson, "Did he just come out and say that, this is what Jayland asked me or did you guys..."

Captain Janson interrupted and stated, "Yeah, he, so, you know, when we asked him about Akron P.D. and he started talking about it he just, we let him go, he went into a discussion about his best friend, like I said he got, a little emotional which is understandable and ahh, he's like but I'm telling you this was a suicide by cop and I'm totally on Akron P.D.'s side even though it's my best friend."

Captain Janson stated that all of the Euclid Police Department's command staff (Chief Scott Meyer, Captain Mike Janson, Captain Mitch Houser, Captain Jeffrey Cutwright, Captain Donna Holden and Lieutenant Dave Olszewski) were in the room when Dupri made these statements. Captain Janson advised that their interview with Dupri was not recorded.

Initial Interview with Dupri Whatley

On July 2, 2022, at approximately 1652 hours, SA Momchilov spoke with Dupri.

SA Momchilov advised Dupri that he was reaching out to him in reference to Jayland Walker. Dupri replied, "I don't know much. Honestly, I just know what I was told and, like, how I found out. The only thing I can tell you is Jayland was going through, through some stuff. Uh, he was going through some stuff. And he called me, like, a month ago telling me that he lost his fiancé. And all I can say is, like, he really wasn't himself. And that's really all I know. I was shocked when I found out that it was him, 'cause that's not, that's not him."

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SA Momchilov advised Dupri that it was his understanding that he grew up with Jayland. Dupri advised that was correct and they wrestled together in high school.

SA Momchilov informed Dupri that he was advised that Dupri was going through the interview process with the Euclid Police Department. Dupri advised that was correct.

SA Momchilov then stated, "Okay, I guess Captain Janson told me during that interview, you mentioned that Jayland said something to you about how do I get the police to shoot me, or something along those lines."

Dupri replied, "No, he never, I never said that. I said that Jayland knew, knew better. But I never said them words. I just said I don't, I don't know what was going on. They asked me, do I think it was suicide by cop. I said, I don't know. All I know is he was going through some things, and he said a few words. And I told him, like, hey, you gotta resources at work, and I can get you in touch with, if you want to just come to my house to just sit, we can sit. We don't even gotta talk to each other. We could just sit. I just told him that he wasn't acting himself, his normal self."

SA Momchilov replied, "Okay. So I, I guess, just, I guess, just so I'm clear. You, he never asked you about how, how to get the police to shoot him or anything along those lines?" Dupri stated, "No, he never, he never asked me about that."

SA Momchilov then stated, "Okay. Did he, did he mention suicide to you, or anything along those lines or that he was contemplating it or.." Dupri replied, "No, he never mentioned suicide to me."

SA Momchilov stated, "Okay. Did you, uh, and I'm asking your opinion, uh, I mean, obviously, you grew up with, with Jayland, I mean, do, do you think that was a possibility? You said he was kind of, you know, not acting himself. Dupri replied, He just, uh, uh, honestly, honestly, like, I don't know what was going on, 'cause I'm still, I'm still processing new information." Dupri advised that he just learned today that New Franklin Police Department attempted to pull Jayland over. Dupri then stated, "So, like, I'm finding out all this, so I, I don't know. I don't, I honestly can't give you a de, uh, opinion on it. The only thing I can say was that, uh, Jayland was, just wasn't, it, the Jayland, the Jayland that I know, that's not that Jayland. I don't know what he was going through. I don't know what he was contemplating."

Dupri advised that Jayland had never been in trouble before, other than a speeding ticket. Dupri explained, "And when he got the, when he got the ticket, he pulled over on the bridge. And you can see, like, the bottom of the street, like, residential street. And I'm, like, hey, you pulled over

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the wrong way. He was, like, how. And I was, like, you're supposed to give them room to, like, come and talk to you through the passenger's side. I said, trying to pull over is too dangerous for a state trooper. And he was, like, oh, um, he was, like, oh, I didn't know, 'cause I just want to get, I, he said, I just want to pull over 'cause he's flashing the lights. So he, I don't know, I don't know, to be honest with you."

Dupri explained that when he first heard about the shooting, he was "shocked" and he tried to call Jayland, but Jayland did not answer. Dupri continued, "And then, I found out that it was him. So, like, I don't, I don't know. I can't say that he was contemplating. I mean, he never asked me about it. He never asked me about it or anything. It's just that's what most people are thinking that it was, that it was suicide by cop. That's what most people are thinking."

SA Momchilov then asked Dupri what he meant when he said, "most people." Dupri replied, "Um, no, just, just, like, people that's reading the stories and stuff like that, and it's coming out that he lost his fiancé and stuff like that. I don't know, honestly."

SA Momchilov then asked, "Would it be safe to say this was very out of character for, for Jayland, you know, like, the, the night before, he, he, he fled a traffic stop in, in Franklin Township, uh, as you mentioned and then, you know, this incident in, in Akron, flee, fleeing the traffic stop? Um, would it be fair to say that was out of character for him?"

Dupri replied, "That was, yeah, it was kind of, that's not his normal, normal self. The normal, the normal Jayland that I know is the goofy Jayland."

SA Momchilov asked Dupri if he knew the last time he saw or spoke to Jayland. Dupri advised the last time he seen Jayland was a couple of weeks ago, and the last time he talked with Jayland was on June 13, by phone.

SA Momchilov then stated to Dupri, "Um, all right. Well I, I guess where I'm at with this, uh, um, deputy, is, uh, so yeah, like I said, Euclid is telling me, you know, when, when you did your interview on Wednesday that, um, you mentioned that Mr. Walker made comments about how to get killed by the police. Now, uh, obviously, you're telling me something different. So I'm gonna have to, you know, straighten it out with, with Euclid. You know, I'm just trying to find the truth here. And I, I don't know what the ..."

Dupri interrupted and stated, "No, it's, he, I never said, they asked me did I think it was a by suicide by cop. I never said that he asked me about, he, I never said that he asked me anything

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about how to get killed by the cops. I told them that he wasn't acting himself. They asked me do I think it was suicide by cop." Dupri continued, "So I don't know where, where that came from. I never said anything about him asking me about being shot by the cops. All I said is, like, I'm a sheriff, like, we talked, we talked about stuff about work all the time. So I don't understand why he would, why he would run. That, that's, that's all I said. I never said anything about him being, asking me advice, 'cause if anything, if he was to ask me about, advice about getting shot by the police, I will make sure that he would have got the help that he needed, if he would have asked me something about that."

Dupri explained that he would talk with Jayland about work "all the time." Dupri stated, "Anytime he asked me about anything, I would, I would tell him. If he was curious about something, I would tell him."

SA Momchilov asked Dupri if Jayland was known to carry a gun. Dupri stated that he did not know Jayland to carry a gun, and Dupri was always trying to get Jayland to go to the gun range. Dupri then stated that Jayland did go to the gun range with him the last time he saw Jayland. Dupri explained that he saw Jayland on the highway and then called him. According to Dupri, he asked Jayland where he was going and Jayland told him that he was going to get some smoothies. Dupri stated that Jayland then called him back and said that he was going to go to the gun range with Dupri. Dupri agreed and told Jayland, "Coming to the gun range will probably help you shoot some, uh, some stress out."

Dupri advised that Jayland did not know how to load a gun and Dupri had to show him. Dupri stated the name of the gun range is called Range USA, and he and Jayland went there on June 13, 2022. (Agents were later able to determine that the actual date that Dupri and Jayland went to Range USA to shoot was on June 7, 2022.)

SA Momchilov then asked Dupri, "Do you find it very surprising that he fired a gun from, from his vehicle?" Dupri replied, "See I, I'm hearing, I, see, I'm still waiting to see the video myself. I'm hearing two different things. I heard that he fired a weapon. Then I heard that he didn't fire a weapon."

SA Momchilov replied, "I can pretty much tell you with, with absolute certainty that, uh, yeah, he discharged a, a firearm from that, from that vehicle. Um, I don't know if it was, at this point, I don't know if it was at officers, uh, or he just was trying to fire from the vehicle. But I can, I can tell you, um, you know, based on numerous factors that yeah, he, he fired a car, fired a round from that, from that car."

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Dupri replied, "Oh. Well, yeah, I, that, if that's the case, all that is, is shocking to me. I don't, I'm still waiting to see the video myself. I'm still, but I haven't seen it yet. I hear so many things. Like, I'm hearing that he, I'm hearing that he didn't shoot. I'm hearing that he did shoot. I'm hearing that they found casings in the car. Then I'm hearing that they found casings on the freeway. Then, uh, then I'm hearing, like, he got out the car, and he ran. And I heard, like, they shot him. Then I'm hearing another story about people trying to attempt to tase him. So I, I honestly don't know. But that's shocking, shocking to me if he shot a gun from out of the car, cause that's not Jayland."

SA Momchilov stated, "Yeah. No, like, everything that I heard about Jayland, you, you know, he's a squared away kid. He's a good kid. I just, you know, I'm trying to piece all this, piece all this together. Um, you know, it's, it's just kind of tough right now. Um, I, I can, I can tell you they did try to tase him and, you know, things along those lines. And, you know, we don't have all of the video analyzed yet. But it does look like he, he possibly did make a, a motion like he was bringing up a gun. Um, that, that's..."

Dupri replied, "And, like, that's the whole thing, like, I, I wasn't trying to, 'cause this is my best friend, and I'm, I mean, it's my best friend, so I understand. So I wasn't really trying to get in the middle, because I don't want somebody to be, like, oh, well, his friend said this, and try to, like, switch my words up and make it seem like, because at the end of the day, I don't want nobody to try to make it seem like Jayland was a bad kid, he was a bad dude. He was a, he wasn't. I don't want nobody to make it seem like that. So that's why I really, that's why I really, I wanted to go ask my lieutenant and stuff first before I even, like, called you, 'cause I didn't want to get in the middle of anything."

SA Momchilov replied, "I completely understand. I mean, I, I know it puts you in a tough spot being, you know, Jayland being your best friend and you also being, being a deputy. Um, you know, I'm not, I'm not trying to, I'm not asking you to lie, or I'm not trying to influence your statement. I just, I just want to hear the truth. And, you know, you, you know what I'm saying?"

Dupri replied, "And everything you, everything that happened, if, if they say everything that happened, if they said, you know, he, he fled from New Franklin, he shot at APD, that's not the Jayland that I know. Like, that's out of the ordinary. That's something he would never do. Never. That's something that I wouldn't even think twice of. 'Cause like I said, he didn't even know how to use a gun. He didn't even know how to load it. He loaded it wrong when I was showing, when we went to the gun range. He loaded it wrong. So, like, that's just new to me. And I never seen him carry a gun. I don't even know if he got a CCW. He just, he worked, like, be at work, he

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would call me or he would text me, and I would talk to him. He'd be, like, hey, I'm gonna come over. I'm gonna come see you for a while. And that's pretty much about it. Like..."

SA Momchilov replied, "Yeah. No, I, I, I, I, I get you. Like I said, I'm, I'm, I'm, I guess I'm dumbfounded by this whole thing too. Like, like I said, everybody I talked to said how great of a guy he was. And I believe it. He'd never been in trouble. They just, it's just very unusual for something like this, especially with no CCH, and it's so out of line or out of character for him. And that's what I'm just trying to, trying to get all these facts and put it all together for, for it to make sense, I guess."

Dupri stated, "Yes. It's, it's very out of, it's very out of character. A lot, a lot of people, they're shocked by it. I was shocked by it. My mom's shocked by it. It just, it was, at first, I didn't believe it. I was waiting for him to call me back until they, 'til they confirmed it. But, but yes, it's a, it's a hard, it's a hard pill."

SA Momchilov then stated, "Okay. No, I mean, I, I get you. And I feel for you. And I'm, I'm sorry for your loss. I mean, uh, I, I guess what I'm getting at here is, I mean, is it possible that his, his girlfriend's death, you know, drove him over the edge?"

Dupri replied, "Uh, I, uh, yeah, I could, maybe. I can't, I don't know for sure because I'm, uh, I'm not him." Dupri continued, "But it's, he'd been, he'd been through a lot. Like, he'd been through a lot. Like, I don't know if anybody else told you, but, you know, he lost, he lost his dad. He came home, and he found his dad on the ground. And, and then his, his wife died in a car accident with her family on the way to Cincinnati."

SA Momchilov asked Dupri when Jayland's father passed away. Dupri replied, the end of 2018 or in the middle of 2019. Dupri continued, "Uh, I, it, his father passing away, I know that affected him. And then, you know, his, his fiancé, a, a girl that he was supposed to marry, passed away too."

Dupri advised that Jayland and his fiancé were basically high school sweethearts and have been together since 2018.

SA Momchilov asked Dupri if he knew what time of day he and Jayland went to the gun range. Dupri advised that he believed it was in the evening. Dupri advised that he was going to look on his phone for the transaction date. Dupri advised that the transaction date was June 11, but that it didn't post until June 13, and no time was listed.

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SA Momchilov advised Dupri that June 11 was a Saturday. Dupri advised that he works Friday, Saturday, Sunday and every other Monday, and he knew he and Jayland went to the gun range in the afternoon. Dupri advised that he would have to call SA Momchilov back to let SA Momchilov know for sure the exact date. SA Momchilov advised Dupri that he could even text that information to SA Momchilov. Dupri failed to re-contact SA Momchilov and provide that information.

Euclid Police

Chief Scott Meyer

Chief Scott Meyer (Meyer) said the Euclid Police Department (EPD) was in the process of trying to hire police officers. Chief Meyer said he and several other EPD ranking officers recently interviewed a candidate for a potential lateral law enforcement hire named Dupri Whatley. Chief Meyer said Dupri is a jail detention deputy for the Summit County Sheriff's Office.

Chief Meyer said the interviews are not "structured" events and are meant for the interviewers to understand the candidate's personality and ability to communicate. Chief Meyer said conversation with Dupri brought up the recent incident in Akron involving Jayland Walker. Chief Meyer said Dupri brought up the incident and was in a "very emotional state." Chief Meyer said Dupri asked him if he knew of the incident in Akron; Chief Meyer told him that he heard about but did not know any details. Chief Meyer said it was "clear" that Dupri wanted to talk about it.

Dupri told Chief Meyer that he was "good friends" with Jayland Walker for "years." Chief Meyer reiterated that it was clearly a "very emotional thing" for Dupri. Chief Meyer said Dupri told the interviewers that Jayland Walker had been going through "some difficult times." Dupri specifically mentioned the death of Jayland Walker's girlfriend/fiancée and how that "really impacted him," and he had been "talking kind of crazy."

Chief Meyer said he could tell by Dupri's "body language," and he asked Dupri, "Are you saying this could have been suicide-by-cop?" Chief Meyer said he could not recall exactly what Dupri's response was verbatim, but it was "affirmative" and was like, "Yeah, I think so," or "Maybe." Dupri continued to talk more and it seemed like he wanted to "get it off his chest." Dupri said he was friends with Jayland Walker and he was a "good kid." Chief Meyer said there was discussion of "suicidal ideation" and Dupri said he had been talking to Jayland Walker because he knew he was "very down" and "very depressed."

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Chief Meyer said Dupri spoke about how Jayland Walker asked about “tactical and technical questions about police work.” Chief Meyer stated, “I don’t remember the exact context, but it’s you know, along the lines of him asking, ‘What if I did this? What would the police do then? What reaction would the police have?’ And it was, I can’t remember the exact context, but he’s [Dupri] like, you know, ‘Don’t ever do those kind of things. You do those kind of things you could get yourself shot.’ ”

SA Momchilov asked, “Did you get the impression he was asking him, ‘How do I get the police to shoot me?’ Would that be fair to say?” Chief Meyer responded, “That’s the impression I took and that’s what I believe what he was trying to relay to myself, to the others.” Chief Meyer said that even though there was a small group in the room, it seemed like he and Dupri were having a “direct conversation,” and it appeared that Dupri “really needed to talk about it more than, more than anything.”

Chief Meyer said Dupri did not tell him exactly when Jayland Walker asked him those types of questions, but Chief Meyer said the context of the conversation led him to believe it was “relatively recent.” SA Moran asked Chief Meyer if he believed the questions and comments by Jayland Walker were made recently due to the emotions that Dupri showed when discussing the matter. Chief Meyer said Dupri was “shaking” and was on the verge of crying. Chief Meyer said it was clear that Dupri was “affected by this.” Chief Meyer said Dupri was “personable” and he had a tough upbringing in the inner city of Akron.

Chief Meyer said he believed that interview with Dupri occurred on June 29, 2022. Chief Meyer said the job interviews are not recorded. They are conducted, especially for potential lateral hires, to ascertain the candidate’s “people skills” and “social intelligence.”

Captain Donna Holden

Captain Donna Holden (Holden) explained that several ranking officers at the EPD interviewed a potential police officer candidate, Dupri, on June 29, 2022. Captain Holden said Dupri was “engaging” and he spoke about his background. Captain Holden said Dupri told them about his “best friend” or “close friend” that was recently involved in the incident in Akron. Captain Holden said Dupri “needed to stop and collect himself” and it was “definitely an emotional response.”

Captain Holden said Dupri provided details about his interaction with his friend, Jayland Walker. Dupri said he had numerous conversations with Jayland Walker about his wife/girlfriend dying

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in a car accident. Captain Holden said Dupri spoke about how Jayland Walker was “very depressed and upset” about the loss, and “He wished it was him instead of her.”

Captain Holden said Dupri spoke about talking with Jayland Walker numerous times by phone about Jayland Walker being upset, and Jayland Walker asked Dupri about “interactions with police.” Captain Holden said Dupri told Jayland Walker, “No man. Don’t do that. If you ever interact with the police make sure you show your hands. Don’t do the kind of things your saying.” Captain Holden stated, “So, Mr. Dupri was trying to talk his friend out of doing something rash and that’s kind of officer he was would want to be with the Euclid Police Department is bridge the gap between the community and persons who maybe aren’t complying with police. ‘Make sure you comply with police. Don’t do anything ridiculous.’ Mr. Whatley would say, ‘Reach out to me if you’re going through a hard time.’ And one of the key things he said was, ‘Make sure you show your hands,’ and “Don’t do what it is you’re talking about doing.’ ”

SA Momchilov asked Captain Holden if Dupri spoke about any other specifics that Jayland Walker was talking about. Captain Holden said Chief Meyer obtained some further details from Dupri about how he did not want his friend to do the stuff he was talking about, and he did not want his friend to have a bad interaction with the police and to call him before he did anything. SA Momchilov asked Captain Holden if she believed that Dupri was talking about that Jayland Walker wanted to commit suicide by cop. Captain Holden responded, “Yes. That was the feeling. When he left the room, it was kind of like...that was an unusual interview and it kind of resonated with the timeliness.” Captain Holden explained how it seemed like Dupri was trying the “bridge the gap” of community and police relations and that was the type of candidate that the EPD was looking to hire.

SA Moran asked Captain Holden about Dupri’s explanation of what Jayland Walker was asking him, and if it was her impression that Jayland Walker was asking Dupri about “tactical and police judgmental decisions” because Dupri was a law enforcement officer. Captain Holden responded, “Based on what Whatley was saying, it seemed like he was trying to talk his friend out of...I’m sorry, maybe convincing his friend that cooperating with police is a better path. That whatever it is that precipitated the conversation that, ‘Make sure you follow commands.’ I believe was one of the things he said and ‘Show your hands’ were two key things that he was trying to explain, or describe to us, that he would portray to this friend or any friend.”

Captain Holden said Dupri’s father had been in prison for manslaughter. There was an “expectation” in Dupri’s family that police are “bad.” Captain Holden said Dupri explained the

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work he has done to “overcome that” and how his father was now “proud him.” Captain Holden said Dupri used that explanation and “bridged it right into this friend in Akron who he’s trying to convince him to cooperate with police. ‘Don’t put yourself in a situation. Don’t put the police in that situation.’ So, it all led, it all blended together.”

SA Moran asked Captain Holden if Dupri mentioned anything about the timing of his conversations with Jayland Walker. Captain Holden said Dupri did not specifically mention when those conversations occurred. Captain Holden said Dupri emphasized to his friend, “If you ever need me, call me.” Captain Holden said she believed from the interview with Dupri that the conversations were somewhat recent. SA Momchilov asked, “Did he indicate this was after his [Jayland Walker] fiancée was killed?” Captain Holden replied, “Oh, absolutely. It was the depression because the fiancée died that he felt that it should have been him instead of the fiancée and he [Dupri] said, ‘It doesn’t work like that,’ and that, ‘You’re here and you need to be here.’ ”

Lt. Dave Olszewski

SA Moran asked Lieutenant (Lt.) Dave Olszewski (Olszewski) about what he recalled from the police officer candidate interview with Dupri Whatley that occurred on June 29, 2022. Lt. Olszewski was part of the interview team (EPD chief and four captains) speaking with Dupri. During the interview, Dupri mentioned that his “best friend” had been killed by the police a few days prior. Lt. Olszewski knew about the incident in Akron but did not know any details.

Lt. Olszewski stated, “This isn’t verbatim, but he made several statements along the lines of uh, that, he didn’t blame the police for the shooting um, also he couldn’t understand why, why he had a gun. Um, I believe he said his you know, he didn’t know his friend to even know how to use a gun. Um, and he mentioned something about his best friend’s girlfriend dying in a car accident like a month prior to that, that um, that could have had something to do with his emotional state during the uh, during the incident.”

SA Moran asked about Dupri’s appearance as he spoke about his friend, Jayland Walker. Lt. Olszewski said Dupri “began to tear up” while talking about his friend.

SA Momchilov asked Lt. Olszewski if Dupri mentioned if Jayland Walker asked him any questions about police tactics. Lt. Olszewski said Dupri talked about that he told either his friend or his younger brother (unsure which one specifically) “how to act around the police.”

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SA Moran asked Lt. Olszewski about the statement that Dupri made about Jayland Walker owning a gun or about how he did not know how to use a gun. Lt. Olszewski said he did not recall anything else about that statement Dupri made.

Captain Mitchell Houser

Captain Mitchell Houser (Houser) said Dupri Whatley informed them that his long-time best friend, Jayland Walker, was shot and killed in Akron. Captain Houser said Dupri told them that near the end, Jayland Walker's life "had had been going through some very difficult times" and some "emotional problems" or other problems.

Captain Houser said Dupri told them that he tried to reach out to Jayland Walker to help and support him but he wasn't interested. Captain Houser said Dupri stated, "You can only do so much for somebody."

Captain Houser said Chief Meyer asked Dupri if he believed Jayland Walker's death was suicide by cop. Captain Houser stated, "And Whatley both nodded his head and said, 'Yeah, I think there's a really good chance of that.' Or something to that effect. Like, that very well may have been it."

Captain Houser said he was not fully paying attention to exactly what Dupri said about his friend's death because he was focused on the job interview questions and process with Dupri. Captain Houser said he believed Dupri was being "genuine and honest" when he spoke about Jayland Walker's death likely being a suicide by cop situation.

Captain Houser explained that the interview with Dupri was a lateral police officer candidate interview. It was meant to gauge the candidate's knowledge of Euclid and what type of person and officer they are. Captain Houser recalled being a "little annoyed" because the first minutes of the interview opened with Dupri talking about the incident unrelated to the EPD and they were on a schedule.

SA Momchilov asked Captain Houser if Dupri mentioned anything about Jayland Walker's fiancée being killed in a car accident. Captain Houser said Dupri told them about it and how Jayland Walker was very upset about her death and if he had been there to drive, she may not have been killed. Dupri also told them that he did not know Jayland Walker to possess a gun nor own a gun.

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SA Momchilov asked Captain Houser if he recalled Dupri telling them about Jayland Walker asking about police tactics. Captain Houser replied, "Not particularly. No. Sorry."

Captain Houser explained that he has a process for the interviews and he pays attention to the candidate's body language. SA Momchilov asked Captain Houser if it was fair to say that he was not paying full attention to what Dupri was saying. Captain Houser stated, "That's correct. Yeah, that would be fair to say. He hit the high points. I think I remember him stopping taking a pause, taking a breath. It did seem genuine to me. I think he really believed that his friend was in need and needed help and ultimately didn't get it." Captain Houser said he gave Dupri a favorable interview grade and that it must have been difficult to talk about the incident in job interview setting.

Captain Mike Janson

SA Momchilov stated to Captain Mike Janson (Janson), "I know we spoke on Saturday briefly and you relayed some information to me, if we could maybe go over that again and you know, basically discuss what happened on Wednesday, with a candidate named Dupri Whatley."

Captain Janson explained that Dupri came in for an interview as a lateral candidate and that Dupri is a Summit County deputy sheriff assigned to the jail. Captain Janson explained that something came up between Chief Scott Meyer and Dupri about the Akron Police Department. Dupri then mentioned that the individual (Jayland Walker) who was shot by Akron Police was Dupri's best friend growing up. Captain Janson stated he did not recall if Dupri mentioned the individual's name.

According to Captain Janson, Dupri stated that Jayland's fiancé or girlfriend died in a car crash, and Jayland felt semi-responsible for it, even though he wasn't involved in the crash. Dupri advised that Jayland was depressed and talked about having suicidal thoughts. Captain Janson stated, "We kind of let him talk and part of what he said was, then he started, Jayland started asking me about, well what if I did this, he asked a few questions like, what if I did this, could I get the police to shoot me."

According to Captain Janson, Dupri said he told Jayland, "Don't do that to any police officers, they will have to live with it, but I understand if you feel like you want to hurt yourself." Captain Janson stated that Dupri became a little emotional when talking about Jayland and at one point wiped his eyes.

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Captain Janson stated, at the end, Chief Meyer asked Dupri, "What do you think happened here." According to Captain Janson, Dupri replied, "I definitely think it was suicide by cop." Captain Janson advised he mentioned to Dupri that it was being reported that Jayland shot at police during the pursuit and asked Dupri if Jayland was known to have a gun. Captain Janson stated that Dupri replied, "No, but that's not saying he didn't have one."

SA Momchilov asked Captain Janson if Dupri stated when his conversations with Jayland occurred. Captain Janson stated, "The only thing he said was something to the effect of, well he's, won't talk to me lately, like I think maybe because Dupri wouldn't go along with the program and help him out with his questions and stuff, that he stopped, he said, he just recently wouldn't return my calls or my texts."

SA Momchilov asked, "Would it be fair to say that it was after his fiancé was killed in the car crash?" Captain Janson replied, "Yeah, because he knew all about that and that's when he said the depression started full swing and he couldn't talk him out of it."

Captain Jeffrey Cutwright

SA Momchilov explained to Captain Jeffrey Cutwright (Cutwright) that it was his understanding that he was present during an interview of Dupri Whatley for a lateral police officer position with the Euclid Police Department; Captain Cutwright advised that was correct.

SA Momchilov explained that Ohio BCI was investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred in Akron, Ohio, involving an individual named Jayland Walker. Captain Cutwright stated that he is aware of the incident but does not know many details of the event. SA Momchilov asked Captain Cutwright if Dupri mentioned anything about the Akron shooting incident during the interview.

Captain Cutwright stated that without being prompted, Dupri stated he knew the person who was shot by the Akron Police Department and that person was his best friend. SA Momchilov asked captain Cutwright if Dupri mentioned anything about that person's mindset or anything along those lines.

Captain Cutwright stated that Dupri said his friend was depressed, and "He even went as far to say he was suicidal, um, he even mentioned that he was worried that his best friend was going to get in an incident whereby, it would result in suicide by cop."

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Captain Cutwright advised that Dupri was asked if he knew if his best friend had a gun.

According to Cutwright, Dupri stated he was unaware that his best friend even had a gun but did state, "He was not surprised that his best friend would of provoked the police into shooting him." SA Momchilov asked Captain Cutwright, "Did he give any specifics of, did Mr. Walker ask him how to, you know, get into a conflict with police." Captain Cutwright stated to the best of his recollection, Dupri advised him not to get into any conflicts with the police and that would be a bad idea.

Captain Cutwright stated of Dupri, "Certainly he was concerned about his friend, being depressed, being suicidal." SA Momchilov asked Captain Cutwright if Dupri mentioned any specifics that Jayland asked him about getting into conflict with police. Captain Cutwright stated he could not recall but did state that Dupri was "upset" during the interview, and he was concerned about his friend prior to the incident.

Captain Cutwright stated that Dupri said that Jayland had a lot of questions about why the police do what they do and how they do what they do. Captain Cutwright explained, "I don't know if that, you know, specifically meant provoking the police into a shooting but Dupri feared that he was going to get into a conflict with the police, whereby the police would kill him."

Second Interview with Dupri Whatley

SA Momchilov interviewed Dupri Whatley on July 2, 2022. After that interview, agents interviewed multiple Euclid Police Department administrative personnel. Agents learned there was some discrepancies between what Euclid officers advised that Dupri said during his employment interview and what Dupri stated to SA Momchilov during his interview.

On Thursday, August 25, 2022, at approximately 1755 hours, SA Momchilov and SA Moran traveled to Dupri Whatley's residence located at [REDACTED] Akron, Ohio, 44313.

Agents were able to make contact with Dupri at that residence. SA Momchilov introduced himself to Dupri and advised him that they had previously spoken on the phone.

SA Momchilov advised Dupri that after they he had spoken to him, he interviewed multiple Euclid officers who were present during Dupri's employment interview. SA Momchilov advised Dupri, that the Euclid officers told SA Momchilov what they believed he said or what

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he did say. SA Momchilov then stated, "Kind of what you told me is something different."

Dupri stated, "So when I talked to them it wasn't, hey he [Jayland Walker] called me and said how do I get a cop to shoot me. This is when, prior to me becoming law enforcement, when I was in the academy he asked me about it and that's, I told him. So when I was talking to them, I said it's not like he don't know the dos and the don'ts, me and him talked about work. I never said he called me and asked me how to get somebody to shoot him."

SA Momchilov asked Dupri if he talked about police tactics with Jayland. Dupri replied, "This was way before the incident. This was back in 2019, when I was going through the police academy. He would come over, we would talk about stuff, like this is before I even became a sheriff. He asked me, why do people do this, how do people get them, how do people get cops to shoot them and stuff like that. This was way before that."

Dupri advised that he was upset that someone called and said that he said that because according to him, he did not say what Euclid police said that he said. Dupri stated that he did not complete the required paperwork for Euclid Police to continue with the hiring process because he was upset.

Dupri stated, "Me being in the middle of all this, like I said, I'm in law enforcement but that's my best friend. So this is like, for somebody to say, well he came to us and he said this, that is not what I said. And they still telling you like, what that's what he told us when he was here at the interview, that's what they telling you. That don't sit right with me, because that is not what I said."

Dupri stated that if his best friend had called him and said, "Hey, how do I get a cop to shoot me," he would not have let him get off the phone and would have called somebody.

SA Momchilov explained that when he was initially told this information, it was relayed that Jayland, point blank asked Dupri, how do I get the police to shoot me. SA Momchilov further advised that after he spoke with Euclid police personnel in person, it was discovered that perhaps the questions that Jayland was asking were more police tactical questions. SA Moran then stated that the Euclid police knew about Jayland's fiancé's death and maybe they equated that Jayland's police tactics questions were more recent.

Dupri advised that Euclid police could have contacted him and asked him questions about the information they were unsure about. Dupri stated, "Me dealing with this and me still trying to

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go to work and get through everything, while everything is going on and I got his mom, sister calling me and I'm going through all of this and to have you call me and say, well Euclid told me this and you like I gotta get down to the bottom of this because Euclid told me this. So, I'm like hold on, I'm like that ain't what I told them. Like if I told them that, I would tell you that but I was like, no."

SA Momchilov advised that Dupri had previously said that he and Jayland went to a gun range. SA Momchilov further advised that agents were able to obtain security video from the gun range on June 7, 2022. Dupri advised that another one of his friends from California was also at the gun range with them. Dupri once again stated that he was on his way to the gun range when he passed Jayland on the highway and Dupri invited Jayland to join them.

SA Momchilov asked Dupri what kind of gun he was shooting. Dupri advised that he was shooting a Glock 17. SA Momchilov asked if anyone was shooting a Glock 45, 9mm. Dupri replied, "I couldn't tell you."

SA Momchilov then explained to Dupri the reason why he was asking. SA Momchilov advised Dupri that Jayland went back to that gun range on June 20, 2022, and purchased a Glock 45, 9mm, and that gun was recovered from his vehicle. Dupri replied, "I didn't even know that." Dupri continued, "So, when we went there, I was shooting my gun. I don't know what my friend from California was shooting but he was with me the whole time. It was, he didn't know he was doing at all. He didn't know what he was doing at all."

Dupri advised that Jayland did not know how to load the gun and loaded the bullets in the wrong way. Dupri also advised that he showed Jayland how to hold the gun.

Dupri advised that he had no idea that Jayland went back and purchased a firearm. Dupri advised that Jayland's mom and sister said, "They said that he had a gun and I'm like I don't know." Dupri advised that Jayland's family asked if he ever had a gun, and Dupri told them he never knew him to have a gun.

SA Momchilov asked Dupri if he spoke to anyone from Akron (Akron Police) or Summit County (Summit County Sheriff's Office) about agents speaking with him. Dupri advised that the only time was when SA Momchilov had called him. Dupri explained that he was working when SA Momchilov initially left him a phone message on July 2, 2022. Dupri further explained that he spoke with somebody at Summit County to make sure it was okay to speak with SA Momchilov. Dupri advised that he had previously been told that deputies need to get

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the okay before "talking to anybody first." Dupri was later given the okay to speak with SA Momchilov.

SA Momchilov replied, "Anybody from Akron." Dupri replied, "I have not talked to anyone from Akron." SA Momchilov then replied, "What about Detective King?" Dupri asked, "Detective who?" SA Moran responded, "Bertina King."

Dupri stated, "I've talked to a, I've talked to like a few people from Akron about the situation." Dupri then asked if agents were asking if anyone from Akron had come and interviewed him. SA Momchilov advised that Detective King brought it to someone's attention that she had a conversation with Dupri about the incident but that she did not discuss specifics about what was said.

Dupri replied, "Nah, I just talked to her. That's it. Like, somebody that know me and Jayland for Westland, they called me, asked me was I okay and I'm like it's a struggle still coming to work and dealing with this. So she gave people my number to talk to, so I could talk to them about the whole situation and about law enforcement." Dupri continued, "I just talked to her about, talk to her about, not like the same stuff I'm talking to you about, is what I talked to her about. That, that's pretty much about it. Like she talked to me, she told me, it's basically like, don't let this discourage you cause I was at a point where I was like, I don't think I really wanna, but that's mainly what it was about."

SA Momchilov stated that someone had previously mentioned that Jayland may have cut off ties with talking to Dupri or "Go dark on you." Dupri replied, "So when he called me, he called me on the phone, he said, 'Hey I just wanna tell you that I love you,' I'm like, I love you too, I said, 'What's going on?' then he would like, cry for a while, he was like 'They took my girlfriend from me.' This was prior to us going to the gun range. So, like I had that call, So, I know, so basically like how I told them, I know how I get when I go through certain stuff, I just cut everybody off for a while. I don't wanna talk to nobody, so I was giving him his space figuring out, if I gave him his space he will be fine, he'll call me if he need me. So, like, it's never like he went dark, I was just like giving him his space, like."

SA Momchilov responded that he believed he heard that information from Euclid and that they advised at some point Dupri tried to reach out to Jayland and Jayland did not respond. Dupri replied, "Yeah, I tried to call but, you know, but like I said I'm the same way. It ain't like he went completely dark on me, it's just like I called he ain't answer. So, I was just giving him his space cause I know how I get."

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SA Moran asked if he was ever able to connect with Jayland to schedule the visit to the gun range. Dupri explained that he just happened to see Jayland on the highway when he was on his way to the gun range and then called Jayland. Dupri did state that he did talk with Jayland at the gun range and in the parking lot. Dupri later stated that he believed that was the last time he spoke with Jayland.

Dupri further explained that he continued to give Jayland space and stated, "I know how I get so I'm not about to hound you. Cause like, me, I just feel like if you continue to keep checking on somebody and doing this and doing that, it make them do something that they probably really don't want to do. That's how I think about most stuff, so that's why I just gave him his space. And if he called he called."

SA Momchilov stated, "Just so I'm clear, you guys didn't have a conversation recently about police tactics it was back when you were in the academy." Dupri replied, "This was back when I was in the academy, getting my job going into Summit County."

SA Momchilov asked Dupri if he and Jayland discussed, "general stuff?" Dupri stated, "Just, you know, I'm in the police academy, you know, you know how some people just be curious. Like my little brother, my little brother going through right now. My little brother use to ask me stuff all the time and I told him, you know show me your hands, you tell somebody to show me their hands, they turn around real quick, you don't know what they got, you know, so that's how most people end up getting shot because they don't listen. All they got to do is just listen. Show me your hands."

SA Momchilov then asked, "And that is what you guys discussed." Dupri replied, "Like, we talked about that. We talked about pursuits, like handcuff tech, we just talked about it." During the interview, Dupri advised that he spoke at Jayland's funeral. At Jayland's gravesite, Dupri stated he was asked if Jayland had his gun. Dupri stated he told them he did not.

SA Momchilov stated, "I guess the weird thing I got here and the thing I'm trying to figure out is, you know, I think Jayland, you know, obviously knew better then to like shoot (shooting from the vehicle), I mean was this, was he trying to go down the road of suicide. I mean, was he a religious person where he can't you know, can't kill himself....that's what we're trying to figure out."

Dupri replied, "To this day, to this day, I, I still, like he got the one speeding ticket and that was because of me. Because he came and picked me up from Sam's Club, from down there and I

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was like bro, you driving slow. Like, he was never." SA Momchilov responded, "There's no reason for him to do what he did, I guess is what I'm getting at, you know."

Dupri replied, "That's what people ask me. I'm like, I don't know, I wasn't there, I can't tell you what he was going, like what he was going through." SA Momchilov responded, "We can't either, we're just looking at it from the outside, I can't get into his head, but it's just."

Agents asked Dupri if he knew if Jayland was working anywhere else besides Uber Eats and DoorDash. Dupri stated, from what he recalled, Jayland was working at Amazon. Agents informed Dupri that Jayland was no longer working at Amazon. Dupri stated that Jayland never told him that he left Amazon and Dupri stated that he didn't know that Jayland was "door dashing full time."

SA Momchilov advised Dupri that Jayland was working at Uber Eats and DoorDash. SA Momchilov explained that on the night of the incident, records indicated that Jayland was not working on the night of the shooting, however, he was driving all around Akron. SA Momchilov stated that Jayland did not stop at anyone's house, and he did not call or text anyone to say he was coming over.

Dupri then advised that he heard that Jayland got stopped the night before in New Franklin. SA Momchilov replied, "They tried to stop him." Dupri replied, "They tried to stop him but he?" SA Momchilov then stated, "Took off." Dupri replied "So, I was hearing a whole bunch of stuff and I'm like man, this, this not the, this not the goofy dude that I know, that I use to, so."

Deputy Chief Jesse Leeser (Akron Police)

On October 24, 2022, SA Momchilov received a call from Detective Sergeant Tony Starvaggi of the Akron Police Department. Sergeant Starvaggi advised SA Momchilov that Dupri Whatley had applied for a police officer position with the Akron Police Department. As part of the process, Dupri was interviewed by several Akron Police Department administrators and during that interview, Dupri discussed Jayland Walker. Sergeant Starvaggi advised SA Momchilov that he may want to speak with Deputy Chief Jesse Leeser (Leeser) to obtain further detail. Sergeant Starvaggi later forwarded SA Momchilov Deputy Chief Leeser's contact information. SA Momchilov made contact with Deputy Chief Leeser, and it was decided that SA Momchilov and Deputy Chief Leeser would meet in person.

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On October 24, 2022, SA Momchilov traveled to the Akron Police Department and spoke with Deputy Chief Leeser. SA Momchilov advised Deputy Chief Leeser that it was his understanding that he had interviewed Dupri Whatley as part of the pre-employment process. Deputy Chief Leeser stated that was correct. Deputy Chief Leeser explained that Dupri had filled out an application, passed the written test, passed the physical test and background investigation. Deputy Chief Leeser further explained that he was part of the conditional job offer interview that was conducted on Dupri.

SA Momchilov stated that it was his understanding that Jayland Walker's name was brought up during the interview. Deputy Chief Leeser replied, "Yes." SA Momchilov asked Deputy Chief Leeser if he could discuss the content of that interview.

Deputy Chief Leeser advised that it was purported that Dupri was best friends with Jayland. Deputy Chief Leeser explained that if Dupri did gain employment with the Akron Police Department, it is possible that he would be working with the officers who were involved in the shooting. Deputy Chief Leeser advised that Dupri was asked how he would respond to working with the officers who were involved in the shooting.

SA Momchilov asked Deputy Chief Leeser what Dupri's response was. Deputy Chief Leeser stated, "He gave a very mature response, I was glad to get. He eluded to something to the fact that he understands use-of-force and those officers did what they needed to do to survive and he also mentioned that he had had conversations with Jayland when he was in his academy and there was something about questions, Jayland had asked him questions about suicide by cop. And so, he kind of wrapped it up or summarized it by saying he understood that they did what they had to do and he understood it and he might of said something that he might of done the same thing in their shoes. He might of said something like that as well."

SA Momchilov asked Deputy Chief Leeser if Dupri elaborated on what he told Jayland when Jayland asked information regarding suicide by cop. Deputy Chief Leeser replied, "No, I didn't ask for anything as far as those. I just wanted to make sure that he would be able to work with those that were involved in a critical incident with a good friend of his."

Captain David Laughlin (Akron Police)

On October 24, 2022, SA Momchilov interviewed Captain David Laughlin (Laughlin) of the Akron Police Department. Captain Laughlin was present during Dupri Whatley's conditional job offer interview with the Akron Police Department.

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SA Momchilov advised Captain Laughlin that it was his understanding that Jayland Walker was brought up during Dupri's pre-employment interview. Captain Laughlin advised that was correct and stated, "Going back in time, we were having protest, Summit County Sheriffs helped ride patrol and actually someone sent me a picture of Mr. Whatley at the Civic Center, you know taking a picture with Jayland and you know, some, big thing they had a picture of him and at the funeral service and he was with a couple other people who were highly involved in the protest. So I became aware of him in that regard, so I mean, I knew his connection with Jayland."

Captain Laughlin explained that during Dupri's interview, Dupri was asked about his relationship with Jayland. SA Momchilov asked Captain Laughlin if Dupri mentioned that he may have discussed police tactics with Jayland in the past.

Captain Laughlin stated, "Yeah, he, I don't remember if he really gave a, he didn't really give a timeline on how soon, prior to the officer-involved shooting. I think he just indicated that, you know, at some point in time, prior to that, they were together, just having conversations and Jayland just asked him, you know, 'what would someone need to do' or 'what would' you know, 'how would somebody get the police to shoot them' I think it was kind of how, somewhere along those lines."

Captain Laughlin continued, "Mr. Whatley replied, he said you know, if the officer perceives some kind of a threat, you know, where it would be, you know, whether you have a weapon or not, like raising your hand towards them where officers could think that you had a gun in your hand, um, then there's a good chance officers would shoot you." Captain Laughlin then stated, "At that point in time, in Mr. Whatley saying that, it started giving me chills because, I mean, that's, you know, pretty much what happened, from my knowledge."

SA Momchilov stated, "You said he didn't give a timeline, is it possible this could have been a couple years ago, or did you get that impression." Captain Laughlin replied, "You know, I got the impression that it was closer in time then that. How much closer in time, he didn't say..."

SA Momchilov asked Captain Laughlin when the pre-employment interview with Dupri took place. Captain Laughlin advised that he believed the interview was conducted on Thursday, October 20, 2022.



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Google Records Review for Jayland Walker's Account

Google Searches-Jaylandwalker20@gmail.com

May 30, 2022, 1:14:17 PM UTC (9:14:17 AM EST)
Searched-"what happens when you drink bleach"

May 31, 2022, 6:46:23 PM UTC (2:46:23 PM EST)
Searched-"turner and rhoden funeral home"

May 31, 2022, 6:46:23 PM UTC (2:46:23 PM EST)
Viewed-"Rhoden Memorial Home"

June 1, 2022, 2:35:02 PM UTC (10:35:02 AM EST)
Searched-"turner funeral home akron ohio"

June 1, 2022, 2:35:02 PM UTC (10:35:02 AM EST)
Viewed-"Rhoden Memorial Home"

June 1, 2022, 2:35:13 PM UTC (10:35:13 AM EST)
Searched-"rhoden funeral home obituaries"

June 6, 2022, 4:12:17 AM UTC (12:12:17 AM EST)
Searched-"how much is one way ticket to africa"

June 6, 2022, 4:12:17 AM UTC (12:12:17 AM EST)
Searched-"flights from CLE to Africa on June 22, 2022"

June 6, 2022, 4:13:33 AM UTC (12:13:33 AM EST)
Searched-"how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"

June 6, 2022, 4:13:33 AM UTC (12:13:33 AM EST)
Searched-"flights from CLE to Giza on June 26, 2022"

June 6, 2022, 4:13:59 AM UTC (12:13:59 AM EST)
Searched-"how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"

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June 6, 2022, 4:14:02 AM UTC (12:14:02 AM EST)

Searched-"how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"

June 6, 2022, 4:14:05 AM UTC (12:14:04 AM EST)

Searched-"how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"

June 6, 2022, 4:14:11 AM UTC (12:14:11 AM EST)

Searched-"how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"

June 6, 2022, 4:14:17 AM UTC (12:14:17 AM EST)

Searched-"how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"

June 6, 2022, 4:15:00 AM UTC (12:15:00 AM EST)

Searched-"flights from CLE to Accra on June 22, 2022"

June 10, 2022, 4:25:02 AM UTC (12:25:02 AM EST)

Searched-"drinking bleach"

June 10, 2022, 4:35:29 AM UTC (12:35:29 AM EST)

Searched-"drinking bleach"

June 10, 2022, 4:45:37 AM UTC (12:45:37 AM EST)

Searched-"quickest ways to die"

June 10, 2022, 4:46:08 AM UTC (12:46:08 PM EST)

Searched-"quickest ways to die"

June 20, 2022, 6:41:41 PM UTC (2:41:41 PM EST)

Searched-"range usa"

June 20, 2022, 6:41:41 PM UTC (2:41:41 PM EST)

Viewed-"Range USA Akron"

June 20, 2022, 7:02:43 PM UTC (3:02:43 PM EST)

Searched-"range usa"

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June 20, 2022, 7:02:43 PM UTC (3:02:43 PM EST)
Viewed-"Range USA Akron"

Google Chrome (Web Browser)

June 20, 2022, 6:39:48 PM UTC (2:39:48 PM EST)
Visited-"Handguns Range USA"

June 20, 2022, 6:40:31 PM UTC (2:40:31 PM EST)
Visited-"Handguns Range USA"

June 20, 2022, 6:41:08 PM UTC (2:41:08 PM EST)
Visited-"My Shopping Cart-Range USA"

Google Discovery

According to Google's Support website, Google Discover uses a person's searches, browsing history and other activity to provide personalized content, like articles the user might be interested in, without searching for them. Users can access Google Discover in the Google app by navigating to Google in their browser, or on some devices by swiping right from the device's home screen.

Based on Google settings and web and app activity, Google Discover lists "Depression" as a card in the Discover activity for jaylandwalker20@gmail.com on the following dates/times:

June 26, 2022, 1:33:54 AM UTC (June 25, 9:33:54 PM EST)

June 26, 2022, 1:23:58AM UTC (June 25, 9:23:58 PM EST)

June 7, 2022, 7:07:20 PM UTC (June 7, 3:07:20 PM EST)

The activity also lists "Police" as a card in the Discover activity for jaylandwalker20@gmail.com on:

June 14, 2022, 5:45:26 PM UTC (1:45:26 PM EST)



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Jayland Walker's Family and Friends

Loreal Redrick

Loreal Redrick (Loreal) said she knew Jayland because he was engaged to her sister, Jaymeisha. She had known him for several years. Her relationship with Jayland was a family-type relationship. She started texting with him after Jaymeisha passed away. She said she had talked with Jayland through text messages, one phone conversation and in person.

When she was texting Jayland and asking how he was feeling, she was referring to how he was doing emotionally with the loss of Jaymeisha. She knew he was having a hard time because when they first found out about Jaymeisha, he had a moment in the hospital where he was sliding down on his back, on the hospital wall saying: How do I breath? How do I continue to go on? She explained, if anyone knew Jayland, they knew he loved Jaymeisha. She said Jaymeisha was his world, and she knew this would be extremely hard for him to go on. Everything about him revolved around Jaymeisha, and Loreal knew it was going to be a struggle for Jayland going forward.

Loreal said the feeling she got was that Jayland put on a show and appeared strong when he was around everyone; but, when he was alone, she knew he was very sad. After Jaymeisha passed away, his sister, Jada, never left his side and she was his support; making sure he was never left alone.

She felt like it was going to be super hard for Jayland to deal with the loss of Jaymeisha because of how close he and Jaymeisha were. Jaymeisha was Jayland's world. She worried about it being hard for him to deal with and that something might happen to him. She worried that Jayland felt like he wouldn't be able to move on from Jaymeisha because that was all that he knew.

The weeks prior to the shooting, they laid Jaymeisha to rest. Loreal felt like everything was compiling on Jayland, and he was having a hard time figuring out what his next move was. She and the other siblings knew they needed to get him out of that house. She was hoping, as time went by, it would get easier for him; but, she knew it was definitely a struggle for him to continue on.

All the siblings felt like this was something that was extremely difficult for Jayland to deal with. She felt like, the more Jayland was in the house, the more real it became to him that Jaymeisha was not coming home. She remembered Jayland asking the doctors if they were sure it was

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Jaymeisha, and if they were sure they didn't have the wrong person. She described it as being like Jayland could not wrap his mind around the fact that Jaymeisha was not there anymore. Jaymeisha's mom started packing some of Jaymeisha's belongings, and she believed seeing people putting Jaymeisha's stuff in boxes was weighing on him.

Jayland had verbalized some of his feelings to Loreal. He had said he, "Couldn't believe it." He asked her things like what was he going to do and how was he going to live. She said she understood what he was saying because she had felt like that too when they first found out about her sister's passing.

Loreal was asked if she ever became concerned that Jayland would take his own life. She responded saying, "Umm, it crossed my mind, but I don't believe that he would have done it himself. I believe that when all of you know, when he got pulled over, I believe that, and this is just me, of what I, what I've thought, and like how I've come to terms with maybe what have happened is that, he knew that this was, this may have been his only way, to have either been locked up or dead. And I believe that taking them on that chase was like ok I'm going to give them a reason you know. I believe that he was like in the car like Jaymeisha I'm coming. You know, like you don't have to be without me...I assume that he was talking to my sister them four minutes of that drive. I believe that he was like you know I'm coming. You know and I just believe that if my sister was here it wouldn't have been that way." (15 minutes 44 seconds)

Loreal went on to say that "Every day there is something new that we learn about Jayland, and I just like, I really hope that like, I'm sorry I don't mean to cry but like, I hope that y'all tell his story right you know, because he was so kind and he wouldn't have hurted a fly. And I just but like I just I would rather his story be told as like he was hurting, than he was this thug you know and bad man. I would rather it be like he was grieving over the loss of his wife."

Loreal explained that before, during and after the funeral, Jada was there "holding his hand when he was stretched out, I mean like sir you just don't know. Like he was just stretched out like rolling in the dirt you know like you just knew that his, like to me, you just knew that his world was like crumbling before his eyes you know. Like he just, he couldn't believe it, he was just very stretched out like, even at the funeral, like he wasn't in his seat, like he's laid out on the floor at the you know at the funeral home. He was you know you just, you just knew that this was going to be hard for him." (26 minutes 13 seconds)

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After Jaymeisha passed, Jayland was always moving and staying busy. He would not sit still; she thought when he did sit down, he would think and his mind was racing and it all became a bit much for him.

Loreal did not know of Jayland to have any dislike for the police or authority. She did not know if he knew anyone in New Franklin or visited anywhere in New Franklin.

Jayland and Jaymeisha had one gun. Her dad had purchased them a purple gun, which Jaymeisha kept under her nightstand, hidden. Her dad purchased the gun for them because he believed they should have one in the home for protection.

James Roberson (Roberson) was Jaymeisha's dad. Loreal explained that Roberson previously had brain surgery and was not the best on the phone.

Jayland never spoke to her about purchasing any other guns.

Jada and Pamela Walker

On Wednesday, June 29, 2022, SA Momchilov made contact with Jayland Walker's sister, Jada Walker (Jada).

SA Momchilov informed Jada that he is a special agent with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation and is the lead investigator into the officer-involved shooting involving her brother. SA Momchilov explained, at this point, he was trying to piece things together. SA Momchilov noted that Jayland did not have a criminal history, and SA Momchilov was trying to figure out what would have caused him to run.

Jada responded, "You know, me and my mother both are just very, the word I'll use is just overwhelmed." At this point, Jada asked if her mother, Pamela Walker (Pamela), could join the conversation; SA Momchilov agreed.

Jada then continued, "And, um, again, we just, just as you are, and we appreciate your assistance in this, because we really would love to get to the bottom of this and just get the justice that my brother deserves, because as you mentioned, you know, no criminal background, um, just an overall great person, you know, and I may sound biased, as it's my brother, but really, you know, he's always had a good head on his shoulders."

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Jada advised that Jayland had never been in trouble before, and Pamela added, "The only thing he may have gotten probably is a speeding ticket." Pamela continued, "It's not in his nature or the way he grew up to even be, um, mean or, or any kind a way but respectful."

At this point, SA Momchilov explained to Jada and Pamela the role of Ohio BCI in this investigation by stating, "So, just let me explain a little bit of, of my role in, in this matter. So, like I said, I work for BCI, which is under the Ohio Attorney General, and um, I don't work for Akron Police or anything. I'm an independent third party, and my, my job is here to, to is to gather all the facts and all the evidence so I can present it to a prosecutor for them to make the ultimate decision on what, what occurs."

SA Momchilov then asked if Jayland lived with Jada and Pamela. Jada stated that Jayland was currently living on Kohler Avenue, in Akron, in a house that he used to share with his fiancé. SA Momchilov stated that it was his understanding that Jayland's fiancé was in a car accident. Jada responded, "Um, she was involved in a car accident, but other than that, you know, I really don't have too many details of at least, you know, where it took place or anything like that inaudible-." Jada did, however, state that the accident occurred at the end of May 2022. Jada explained that Jayland and Jaymeisha had been together since high school. Pamela advised that Jayland proposed to Jaymeisha in March of 2021. Jada also advised that Jayland worked as a DoorDash driver and worked for Amazon prior to that.

SA Momchilov asked Jada and Pamela when the last time they spoke with Jayland was. Jada advised that she spoke with Jayland on Sunday. SA Momchilov explained that he was provided information that Jayland possibly fled from a traffic stop early Sunday morning. SA Momchilov asked Jada if Jayland mentioned anything about that incident. Jada stated that he did not.

SA Momchilov asked if Jayland ever carried a gun. Jada and Pamela both responded, "No." SA Momchilov then inquired if Jayland was depressed or talking to a counselor after Jaymeisha's death. Jada responded, "No."

SA Momchilov then asked, "Did he have a wedding ring or wedding band that you recall?" Jada responded, "He did." SA Momchilov replied, "Did he usually wear that all the time?" Jada responded, "Yes he did."

SA Momchilov asked Jada if she knew what Jayland was doing late Sunday night into Monday morning. Jada stated, "When we last seen him, and normally this is just how he was, he always would just, you know, see about us and our grandmother, and then after that, you know, he

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would just stick to his DoorDash, and um, you know, DoorDash runs pretty late, as I understand, so, he would just go as late as, you know, the cutoff time was, but," Jada continued, "Yeah, that, that Sunday, that was the last time we had spoke with him, and that was his, you know, plan, just to DoorDash for the day." SA Momchilov then stated, "Okay. So, it's possible he was, he was doing DoorDash when, when this incident occurred." Jada replied, "I would imagine so, yes." SA Momchilov asked Jada and Pamela if they received any text messages from Jayland that night. Both Jada and Pamela responded, "No."

SA Momchilov asked if Jayland made any comments about being upset or suicidal. Jada and Pamela both responded, "No." SA Momchilov then stated, "Nothing like that." Jada responded, "And, you know, I can only imagine what goes through someone's mind like that when they lose, you know, say their significant other or even in this case you figure a soul mate, but throughout this time, you know, he never brought anything like that to our attention."

At this point in the conversation, Jada and Pamela began asking specific questions regarding the incident. SA Momchilov explained that due to the integrity of the investigation, SA Momchilov would not be able to answer many of their questions.

On June 27, 2022, prior to SA Momchilov interviewing Jada and Pamela, Akron Police Department Sergeant Tony Starvaggi and Detective Bertina King conducted a next of kin death notification. Below are excerpts from Sergeant Starvaggi's narrative that documented the encounter:

Early afternoon on the 27th, we realized that no one notified Walker's family. After conferring with BCI and the Medical Examiner's office, it was determined that Akron PD would make the family notification. We were able to find his mother's information (Pamela Walker, 827 Valdes). We also found a sister (Jada Walker) who possibly lived with her mother. Detective Bertina King and I responded to Valdes to make notification.

Upon arrival on Valdes we met with Pamela Walker, Jada was not present. King asked Pamela if Jayland was her son, which she confirmed. King asked her when



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the last time was, she talked to him. She said she talked to him yesterday and that she was trying to reach him today, but he wasn't answering. She asked King if Jayland was okay. We could see the concern building in Pamela's demeanor. King explained to Pamela what happened. She told her that officers tried to stop Jayland who refused to stop. She went on to explain that a car chase ensued, and that Jayland fired a gun at officers. The chase ended in Firestone Park area where Jayland ran from the car and that the foot chase ended with officers shooting Jayland. She explained that we did not have many more details than that and that Akron Police were not investigating the incident and that BCI was doing it. Early in King's conversation, we could see the anxiety building in Pamela. Pamela asked if Jayland was okay. King explained to her that multiple shots were fired, and that Jayland was dead. Pamela broke down hysterically. Eventually she asked why Jayland did what he did and why did we shoot him. King reiterated that we did not have all the details and that we were not the investigators. Pamela cried hysterically for several minutes before we could ask her if there was someone, we could call for her. She called Jada who was working in Montrose. She had Jada on speaker and explained to her what happened to Jayland. Jada broke down and said she was on her way home. Pamela asked several times why Jayland did what we were telling her he did. She said that it didn't sound like Jayland's character. She said he didn't get in trouble and couldn't understand this behavior. We agreed that on face value it seems out of character.

During our conversation with Pamela, it came out that Jayland was engaged to Jaymeisha Beasley who was killed in a horrific car accident on May 28, 2022. Pamela told us that the family was concerned with Jayland's dealing with her death. She said he took it extremely hard and was still trying to get through it. I asked if he talked about being so depressed that he wanted to hurt himself. She said no. I asked if he was the type of person to talk to her about those type of feelings. Again, she said no. At some point, I whispered in King's ear wondering if this was a suicide by cop. Pamela was extremely upset. We asked her several times if there was someone, we could call for her. She told us that she would have to eventually tell her elderly mother, who she didn't think could handle the news. She also mentioned a male relative who lives in the Columbus area that she was going to eventually call. King offered to call for some pastoral care, which she eventually called and arranged. A pastor was enroute to the house.

Jada was driven to the house by a co-worker due to her being so upset. When Jada arrived, King went outside to greet her and talk to her. King explained to Jada in more detail as to what happened. While they were outside, Joe Fouche, Jr. arrived to talk to the family. Fouche gave his card in which he represented

ICM (Integrated Consulting & Management). They told him that the family did not want to talk to him and that it wasn't the right time to contact with family. Jada and King came inside to further comfort Pamela. Moments later, King and I went outside with Jada. Outside the conversation of Jayland's depression over Jaymeisha came up. Again, I asked her if Jayland talked about hurting himself and if he was the type of person to talk about that. Jada, like her mother said they were concerned about Jayland's wellbeing, and that he did not talk about hurting himself, but was not the type of person to talk about those type of feelings. While outside, Pastor Dejournett and a fellow pastor arrived. As they arrived, Jada called her uncle who lives in Columbus and broke the news to him.

Having the two pastors on scene and seeing that the family was in comforting hands, King and I cleared.

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Other Family, Friends and Acquaintances

Agents attempted to interview every individual who was on Jayland Walker's cellular phone contact list.

Gloria J. Beasley

Gloria Beasley (Gloria) stated she is the grandmother to the late Jaymeisha Beasley. Jaymeisha was the fiancé to Jayland prior to her death. Gloria stated Jayland was a very nice person who was always smiling. Gloria stated she had a good relationship with Jayland and that she spoke with him the night before his death. Gloria stated Jayland was having a hard time with the loss of Jaymeisha. When Gloria would call and check in on Jayland, he would say he was okay and keeping himself busy.

Cortez Delvon Beasley

Cortez Delvon Beasley (Cortez) stated Jayland was a great young man, an all-around wonderful person. Cortez stated he was the cousin to Jaymeisha. Cortez stated he always spoke with Jayland because Jayland was his little brother. Cortez stated Jayland was hurt after the loss of Jaymeisha but he was fine. Cortez stated Jayland wasn't having a hard time nor did he act out of the ordinary. Cortez reiterated that Jayland was okay. Cortez stated the last time he spoke with Jayland was to check on him to make sure he was okay. Cortez stated he wasn't worried about Jayland because he was fine.

Drew Scruggs

Drew Scruggs (Scruggs) stated he is a cousin to Jayland. Scruggs stated he texted back and forth with Jayland daily. Scruggs stated Jayland was a good kid and would never do what they say he did. When asked if he knew of Jayland owning a gun, Scruggs stated he did not. Scruggs further stated that Jayland was "licensed to carry, but was not a carrier." When asked how Jayland was doing after the loss of his fiancé Jaymeisha, Scruggs stated he was hurting like anyone else would. Scruggs stated that the last time he had any communications with Jayland was the day before, when Scruggs was texting him to see how he was doing.



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Tanikqua Lovette Culver

Tanikqua Lovette Culver (Culver) stated she is the cousin to Jaymeisha. Culver stated she had known Jayland for over 10 years. Culver stated Jayland was a good person who loved family. Culver further stated Jayland was not a bad person. When asked how Jayland was coping with the death of his fiancé Jaymeisha, Culver stated Jayland was grieving and very hurt. Culver further stated she was able to see the "pain in his eyes" and that he was "stressed." When asked if Culver was ever concerned for Jayland's mental well-being after the loss of Jaymeisha, Culver stated she was not. Culver stated Jayland never mentioned anything about harming himself or anyone else. When asked if Culver knew of Jayland owning a firearm, she stated she was not sure if he did but thinks that Jaymeisha may have owned a gun, although she did not know for sure.

Tymeca Toyshawn Cohen

Tymeca Toyshawn Cohen (Cohen) stated she had known Jayland for approximately 9 years. Cohen stated she was Jaymeisha's sister. Cohen stated Jayland was a caring and good person. When asked how Jayland was coping with the loss of his fiancé Jaymeisha, Cohen stated Jayland was "sad, but okay." Cohen stated Jayland was just staying busy. When asked if Jayland owned a gun, Cohen stated he did not. When asked if Jayland made any comments about harming himself or others, Cohen stated he did not.

Desiree Unique Walker

Desiree Unique Walker (Desiree) stated she had known Jayland for over 10 years and that Jaymeisha is her sister. Desiree stated Jayland was shy and nice to everyone. Desiree further stated Jayland was quiet. When asked how Jayland coped with the loss of his fiancé, Desiree stated he took the loss hard but kept busy with work. Desiree stated they checked on each other every day, like everyone else did in the family. When asked if she ever heard Jayland mention anything about harming himself or others, Desiree stated he never said anything like that. Desiree further stated, when she asked how he was doing, Jayland would reply, "Just trying to stay busy," and "I'm cool sis, I'm cool." When asked if she was aware of Jayland owning or purchasing a weapon, Desiree stated she was not.



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Shalesa Beasley

Shalesa Beasley (Shalesa) stated she is Jaymeisha's mother and mother-in-law to Jayland. Shalesa stated Jayland was a great person who was very respectful. Shalesa further stated, Jayland spent time with his family or was working. When asked how Jayland was coping with the loss of his fiancé Jaymeisha, Shalesa stated he was coping the same as everyone else was. Shalesa further stated Jayland had the support from her family or his family. When asked if Jayland acted out of the ordinary or mentioned anything about harming himself or others, Shalesa stated he was acting normal and that he never made mention about harming himself. Shalesa was not aware of Jayland owning or purchasing a gun.

Deonte Walker

Deonte Walker (Deonte) stated Jayland was his "little cousin." Deonte further stated Jayland was a "loving person who wanted to see everybody do great." When asked how Jayland was coping with the loss of his fiancé, Deonte stated Jayland was hurt. When asked if Jayland was acting out of the ordinary, Deonte stated he was not but that he was just hurt. When asked if he was aware of Jayland owing or purchasing a firearm, Deonte stated Jayland did not own a firearm. When asked if Jayland made any comments about harming himself or others, Deonte stated he did not.

Vachira Young (Walker's Landlord)

SA Armstrong spoke with Matthew Young (Matthew) and his wife, Vachira Young (Vachira). The phone number was listed in Jayland's phone under the contact name *Landlord*. Matthew and Vachira were Jayland's landlord. Matthew reported Jayland and his girlfriend lived in the residence at 1145 Kohler Avenue, Akron, Ohio. His relationship with Jayland was a normal landlord-tenant relationship. He did not know him well. Jayland's girlfriend recently passed away in a car accident, and, after that, Jayland asked to purchase the home from them. He believed Jayland wanted to purchase the home in memory of his girlfriend. They entered a purchase agreement. Approximately two weeks prior to the interview, Jayland called and said he found out he wasn't qualified to purchase the home. Matthew indicated his wife, Vachira, talked to Jayland more than he did. SA Armstrong then spoke with Vachira.

Vachira explained that although Jayland never verbalized it, she was under the impression he wanted to purchase the home in memory of his girlfriend. After his girlfriend passed away, Jayland sounded very sad and not happy. She believed Jayland's girlfriend had wanted to purchase the home; and after she passed away, Jayland decided he wanted to purchase the home

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in her memory to complete what she had wanted. Approximately two weeks prior to the interview (June 23, 2022), Walked called and said his approval fell through and he would not be able to purchase the home. He indicated he would continue to rent the home.

Matthew and Vachira indicated the loan officer, named Christine, would have more detailed information.

Christine Schell (Loan Officer)

SA Armstrong spoke with Christine Schell (Christine). Her phone number was listed in Jayland's phone under the contact name *Christine Realator*. Christine reported Jayland and his girlfriend, Jaymeisha, were looking for a home and she was their loan officer. Jayland was qualified to purchase a home and worked for Amazon. He never talked to her about his personal life. After Jaymeisha died, Jayland indicated he was going to purchase the home he was renting from his landlord. During the process, she learned they could not verify his employment at Amazon.

When she texted Jayland, he confirmed he no longer worked there. He indicated it was a terrible company and they did not treat their employees well. On June 20, 2022, she called him and told him he could not get a loan because of his change in employment. He accepted the news and was polite to her about it. She believed he was a strong person and he was always very polite.

Betty Addie

Betty Addie (Betty) reported she spoke with Jayland each week to check on him. That was something she always did as a grandmother. He never confided in her about anything he was dealing with after Jaymeisha's death. She worried about his safety in general as a grandmother but not because he did anything to make her worry for him. She worried about him because the police were out there writing people tickets.

LaJuana Dawkins (Aunt Minnie)

The phone number was saved in Jayland's cell phone under the contact name *Aunt Minnie*. SA Armstrong spoke with a female who would not confirm her identity. After introducing himself, she indicated SA Armstrong needed to talk to the attorney and hung up. Based on research conducted by the BCI Criminal Intelligence Unit, the name associated with the phone number was LaJuana Dawkins.

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James Roberson

SA Armstrong attempted contact on July 11, 2022, at 0942 hours, and left a voicemail. As of the date of this report, a returned call was not received. Loreal Redrick explained in her interview that James Roberson did require extra care, and Jaymeisha had helped care for him prior to her death. She indicated he was not good with phones and may not call back.

Allen Thurman

SA Armstrong spoke with a male who identified himself as Allen Thurman (Allen). Allen said he was Jayland's first cousin. He lived out of state. After Jaymeisha died, he began calling and checking on Jayland weekly. Allen's mother had told him to make sure he was checking on Jayland. No one in the family ever indicated Jayland was suicidal. His conversations with Jayland were "light." Jayland never talked to him about his feelings or emotions. He last spoke with Jayland a few days before the shooting incident.

Javonna Beasley

Javonna Beasley (Javonna) is the sister of Jaymeisha. Javonna indicated Jayland was the godfather of her child. After Jaymeisha's death, she was checking on Jayland to see how he was doing. She explained Jayland was extremely close to Jaymeisha. They had been together for a long time and they had given each other their virginity. Jayland seemed like he was doing ok and was always worried about everyone else. She said Jayland was the nicest person and she could not imagine him doing something like this. He had not done anything to indicate he was suicidal. He did not have a problem with the police or authority. Jayland was working for DoorDash. He had stopped working at Amazon before Jaymeisha's death. She did not know why he would have been in New Franklin, Ohio. Jayland had told her he was going to purchase the house he was living in but did not say why he had decided to purchase it.

Kia Walker

In Sergeant Orrand's report, it states, "When I returned to work later the same night I received (sic) a phone call from Kia Walker (Jayland's sister 234-500-0027). She stated that Jayland has not been the same since his Fiancé died in Cincinnati (sic) on May 27, 2022. I recorded our conversation and uploaded it into Evidence.com, then advised my chain of command about the conversation." SA Momchilov obtained a copy of that audio recording. SA Momchilov reviewed

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the audio recording and learned that the female's voice on the recording is very faintly heard and indistinguishable. SA Momchilov sent the following email to Sergeant Orrand:

Sergeant,

Its my understanding that you conducted an interview of one of Walker's family members. I believe I have the audio recording, which I attached to this report. For some reason, I am having a hard time hearing what the person is saying. I am not sure if it is on my copy or just the recording itself. Let me know.

Thanks.

SA Momchilov received the following response from Sergeant Orrand:

I had the phone jack plugged in wrong so it's messed up. It was his sister and she stated that his (Jayland's) fiancé had died in Cincinnati and he has not been right since.

SA Momchilov sent the audio recording to the Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission in an attempt to enhance/clarify the audio. SA Momchilov later received the clarified audio recording and the female's voice is still indistinguishable.

Firearm Purchase

June 7, 2022

As previously stated, Dupri Whatley advised on June 7, 2022, he observed Jayland driving on the highway and called him. Dupri then invited Jayland to go to the gun range with him (Range USA Akron).

Phone records indicate that Dupri called Jayland on June 7, 2022, at 4:30:36 PM. The duration of the call was 5 minutes and 9 seconds.



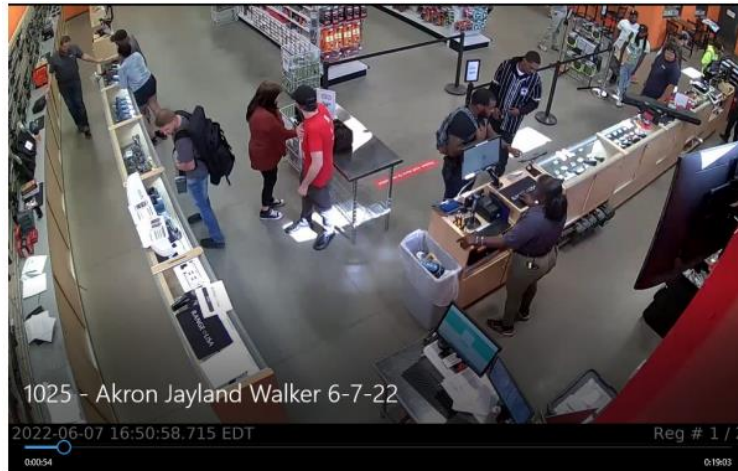
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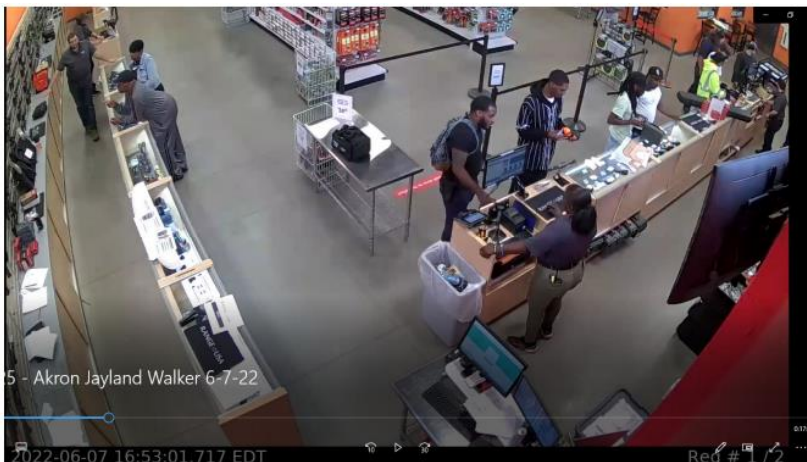
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Gun Range (Security Video)



At approximately 1650:58 hours, Dupri and Jayland are observed on a security camera.



RANGE USA

RANGE USA RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of being permitted to enter the facilities at Range USA, and/or being permitted to shoot and/or observe any activity therein, I, on behalf of myself, my heirs, successors and assigns and such parties hereto/herein sign (collectively "Releasor") their names, successors and assigns agree that:

(1) I possess at least a basic understanding of firearms;

(2) Release and forever discharge Range America LLC, dba Range USA, its affiliated LLCs and operations, its members, property owners, employees, agents and related parties (RUSA) from all liability to the Releasor for all loss, damage, claims or demands on the account of any injury to person or property, including death, however caused, whether by negligence or gross negligence of RUSA or otherwise, while the Releasor is on or upon the RUSA premises;

(3) I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless Range USA from any loss, liability, damage, or cost incurred due to the presence of the Releasor on the premises for any purpose;

(4) Assume all liability and pay for any damage to Range USA property or damage to any other's personal property, or injury to any other person due to any action whether it is negligent or an intentional action; and

(5) Acknowledge that no representations, statements or statements made from the written agreement have been made to the Releasor and that the Releasor is responsible for all RUSA equipment damaged in reference to clause 4) above including but not limited to tables, counters, range gun, target carriers, wash cans, the floor, any part of the shooting stalls and benches, doors, soundproofing material on walls, light fixtures, bulbs, windows, windows, etc.

The undersigned expressly acknowledges and agrees that the activities of the range are dangerous and involve the use of serious injury, death and/or property damage. I have read and will abide by the RUSA rules. The undersigned further expressly agrees that this release and indemnity is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by applicable law and that if any portion is held invalid, the balance shall continue in full legal force and effect.

The undersigned has read this Agreement and signs as releasor. If the undersigned is a minor, this is also signed by a parent or legal guardian who has full authority to execute this Agreement.

Date Collected: 2022-06-07 16:52:24
 Latitude/Longitude: 41.56619, -81.495

Waiver for Range USA

FIRST NAME	Jayland
LAST NAME	Walker
Driver's License Number	[REDACTED]
Email Address	jaylandwalker20@yahoo.com

At approximately 1653:01 hours, Jayland is provided ear protection. A Range USA liability waiver dated June 7, 2022, at 1652:24 hours, was also acknowledged by Jayland.

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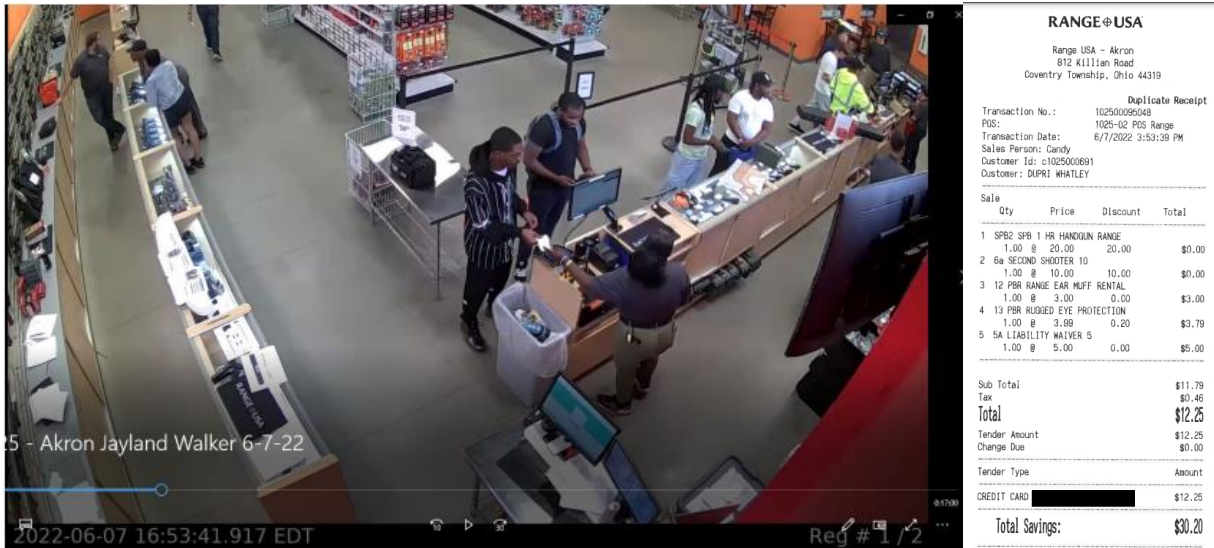


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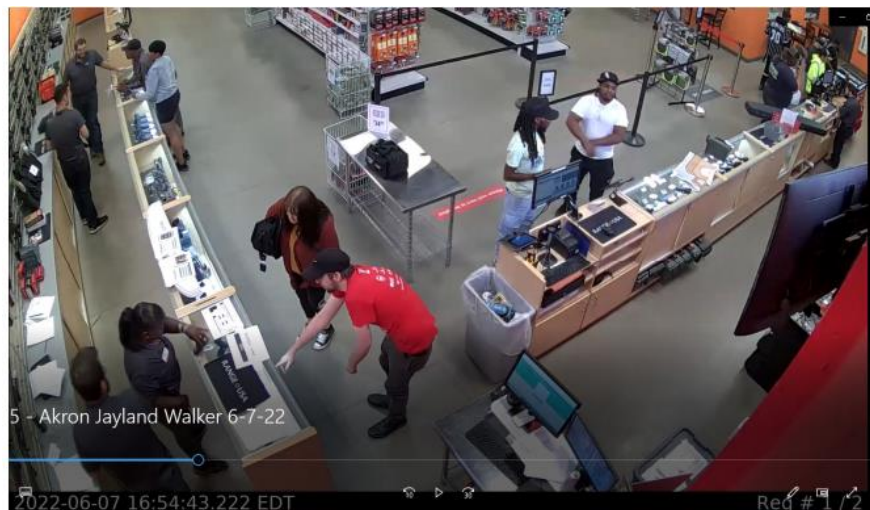


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Jayland is observed entering his credit card into the payment console; and then at approximately 1653:41 hours, Jayland is provided with what appears to be a receipt.



At approximately 1654:43 hours, Jayland and Dupri are observed walking over to the gun range area.

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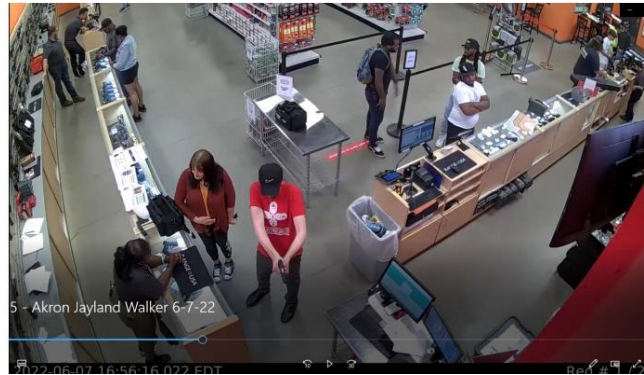


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At approximately 1656:16 hours, Dupri is observed walking back over to the counter/register area and begins speaking with two individuals. Jayland remains over by the gun range area.



At approximately 1708:52 hours, Dupri, Jayland and the two individuals that Dupri was previously speaking with walk into the gun range area.

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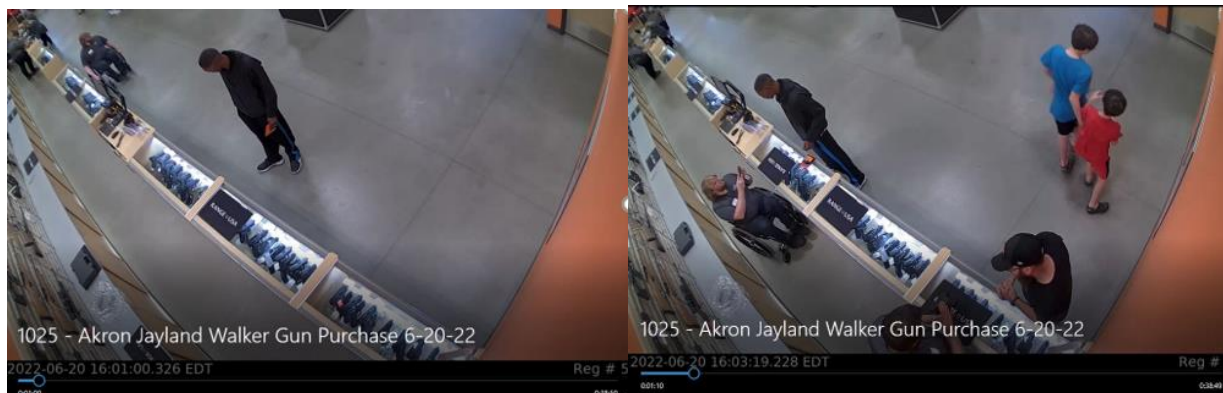
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June 20, 2022

Agents were able to determine that the firearm that was recovered from the vehicle Jayland was driving at the time of the incident was owned by him and purchased on June 20, 2022, at Range USA in Akron, based on the following information:

- The Range USA receipt indicated that Jayland Walker purchased a Glock G45 9mm, SN: BVXA810, on June 20, 2022.
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- Range USA surveillance video shows Jayland purchasing a firearm on June 20, 2022.
- Jayland's Discover Credit Card statement.

Range USA Security Video-June 20, 2022



Surveillance video from Range USA Akron shows Jayland standing near a gun display case at approximately 1601:00 hours.

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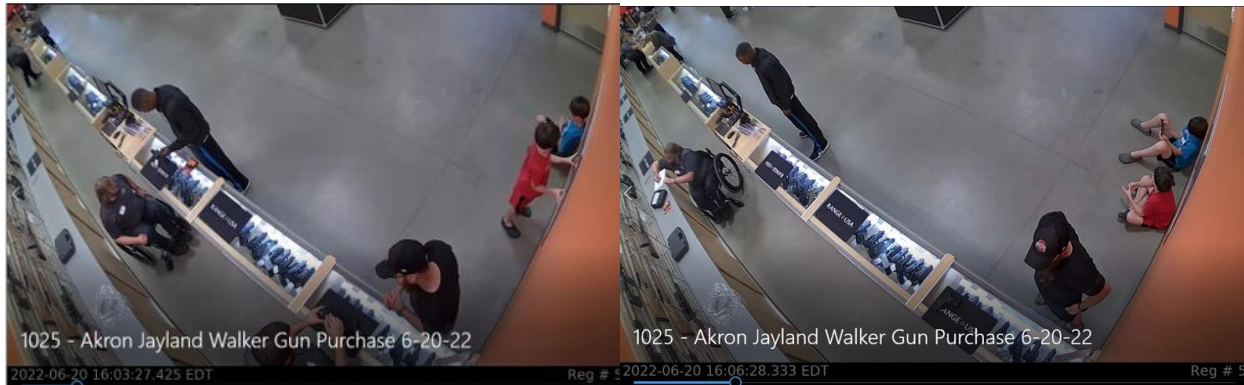


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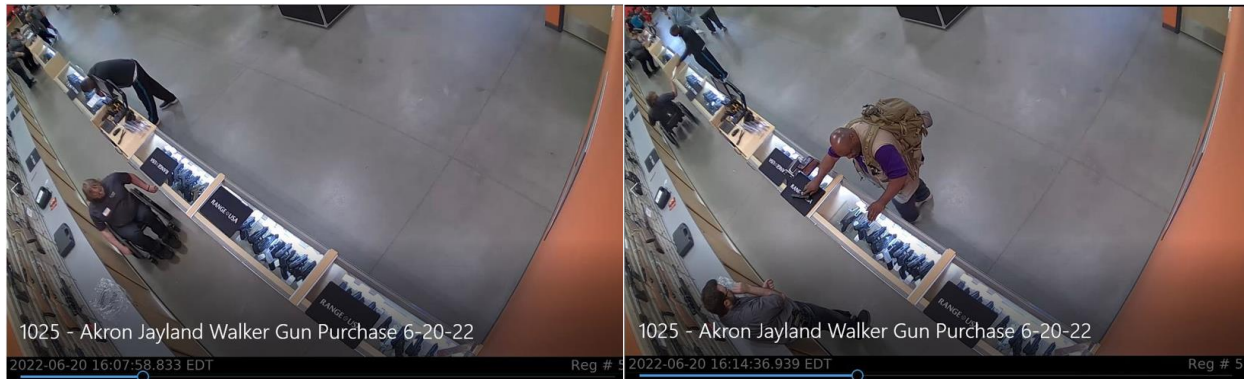


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Jayland is observed being shown several firearms. At approximately 1606:28 hours, it appears that the Range USA employee begins filling out the ATF form 4473.



Jayland is observed filling out what appears to be ATF paperwork. At approximately 1614:36 hours, Jayland hands what appears to be the ATF form back to the Range USA employee.



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RANGE USA
 Range USA - Akron
 832 Killion Road
 Dover Township, Ohio 44319

Duplicate Receipt
 Transaction No.: 10250098796
 POS: 1025-85 [POS Retail]
 Transaction Date: 6/20/2022 3:39:53 PM
 Sales Person: Connor
 Customer ID: #102503882
 Customer: JAYLAND WALKER

Qty	Price	Discount	Total
1	7645000088 GLDZ 945 9MM 4IN 17-1 FULL PRAM		
1	8194010	0.00	\$599.99
2	7668145902 SIG ELITE PERFORMANCE VC 9MM 124		
1	8194010	0.00	\$29.99
3	8819100001 WALKERS FOW 546 PLEES ORANGE 50		
1	PK	0.00	\$3.99

Sub Total: \$633.97
 Tax: \$42.79
Total: \$676.76
 Tender Amount: \$676.76
 Change Due: \$0.00

Tender Type: Amount
 CREDIT CARD-Discover: \$676.76

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At approximately 1638:02 hours, Jayland is observed handing the Range USA employee something, possibly his credit card. The Range USA employee is observed placing the firearm case into a bag. At approximately 1639:55 hours, the bag is handed to Jayland. Jayland is then observed leaving the camera footage area. Agents also obtained a copy of Jayland's receipt.

Transactions			
TRANS. DATE	PURCHASES	MERCHANT CATEGORY	AMOUNT
06/20	SHOOT POINT BLANK AKRON AKRON OH	Merchandise	\$676.76
06/21	MARCS WATERLOO AKRON OH	Supermarkets	\$12.97
06/26	WALMART SC 01911 AKRON OH	Merchandise	\$15.56
06/26	CIRCLE K 05591 AKRON OH 02601R	Gasoline	\$23.31
06/26	BP#5802723GIANT #436 AKRON OH	Gasoline	\$16.00

A copy of Jayland Walker's Discover Credit Card Statement

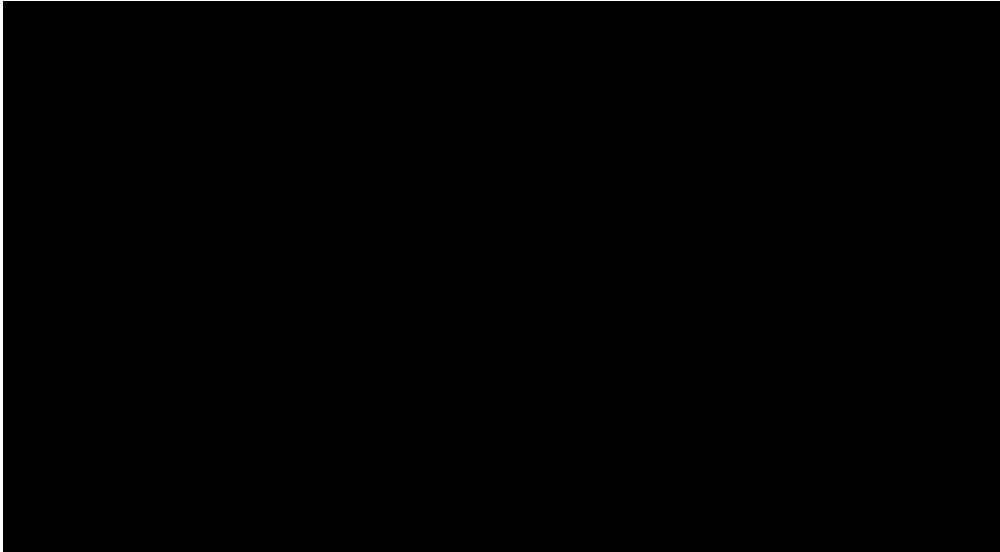


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A copy of the ATF Firearm Transaction Record completed by Jayland

As previously mentioned, DNA testing determined that Jayland's DNA was located on numerous areas on the firearm.

New Franklin Police Pursuit

Officer Robert Wagner

On June 26, 2022, at approximately 0230 hours, Officer Robert Wagner (Wagner) of the New Franklin Police Department observed a Buick Century bearing Ohio Registration HON4514 (registered to Jayland Walker) pass him as he was sitting stationary at Akron Uniforms, 4410 Manchester Road, New Franklin. When the vehicle passed Officer Wagner, Officer Wagner stated the vehicle's license plate was out and "white light to the rear." Officer Wagner stated that he decided that he was going to conduct a traffic stop on that vehicle for an equipment violation. Officer Wagner pulled out and began traveling southbound on State Route 93; by the time Officer Wagner pulled onto the roadway, another vehicle was traveling between him and the vehicle that he intended to pull over.

Officer Wagner continued to follow the vehicles, when he observed the vehicle that he intended to pull over pull into Subway, located at 5105 Manchester Road. The vehicle then turned around and re-entered the roadway, now traveling northbound on State Route 93. Officer Wagner stated

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he turned around in the carwash parking lot and got behind the vehicle. Officer Wagner then turned on his overhead lights.

Officer Wagner advised, when he turned on his overhead lights, "it looked like he pulled over to slow down, almost come to a stop and then basically, as soon as he pulled over, he just sped back off as I was getting ready to kind of put the car into park." Officer Wagner explained that he initially thought that the vehicle was going up to Southcrest Road to pull off. Officer Wagner advised that once they got through the light, the vehicle started to slow down and then speed up. Officer Wagner stated, "Once we got down the hill he sped up, he was all over the road, over the white line and then, um, we went down and he would slow down, speed up occasionally again and then once we got through the light at 619 and 93 he kind of maintained his speed and then, um, and when the pursuit was terminated, I shut my lights off, turned into the library and uh, it looked like he sped off even faster after that."

Officer Wagner advised the speed limit was 45 miles per hour, and the fastest the vehicle traveled was 49 miles per hour.

SA Momchilov asked Officer Wagner if he got a look at the driver. Officer Wagner explained that when the vehicle initially passed him, when he was sitting stationary at Akron Uniforms, the driver looked to be a young, black male. Officer Wagner stated, "I couldn't tell facial features from that far to identify him as 100 percent the registered owner or not." SA Momchilov asked, "So you have seen a picture of Jayland Walker, the registered owner?" Officer Wagner replied, "Yes." SA Momchilov responded, "And you couldn't tell 100 percent." Officer Wagner replied, "I wouldn't say 100 percent, I would say it looked very similar though."

SA Momchilov asked Officer Wagner if he could tell what the driver was wearing. Officer Wagner replied, "Honestly, I just looked at his face, I never looked at his, you know the side of his face. I didn't really look at clothing or anything."

SA Momchilov asked Officer Wagner, if when the individual pulled into the Subway parking lot, if he sat there for a moment. Officer Wagner stated no, and that it was an immediate turn around to get back on the road. SA Momchilov asked Officer Wagner if the driver of the vehicle appeared to be lost or looking for an address. Officer Wagner replied, "No, he maintained decent speed and it didn't look like he was, as far as I could see in the vehicle, it didn't look like he was looking around for anything."

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SA Momchilov explained that based on his understanding, Summit County has a system that when you run a license plate, you could see who else had interactions with that vehicle. Officer Wagner advised that was correct. SA Momchilov asked Officer Wagner who enters that information into the system. Officer Wagner advised that he believed the dispatchers did. SA Momchilov advised, in this circumstance, the driver was entered as a white male with a black hoodie.

Officer Wagner replied, "So, that's what my sergeant believed he saw, that is not me who said that. He passed him on 619 and he said that he had his hoodie up, the strings were pulled and he was ducking down with his hands on the wheel, but I can't speak for him."

Sergeant Robert Kaaikaula

On July 7, 2022, at approximately 1553 hours, SA Momchilov interviewed New Franklin Police Sergeant Robert Kaaikaula (Kaaikaula) at the New Franklin Police Department, located at 5611 Manchester Road, New Franklin, Ohio.

SA Momchilov explained to Sergeant Kaaikaula that it was his understanding that he was the supervisor on duty when Officer Wagner attempted to initiate a traffic stop on June 26, 2022. Sergeant Kaaikaula advised that was correct. SA Momchilov asked Sergeant Kaaikaula if he could explain what occurred.

Sergeant Kaaikaula advised, from what he heard on the radio, he heard Officer Wagner attempt to conduct a traffic stop on a vehicle. The vehicle almost came to a stop and "he just took off again." Sergeant Kaaikaula advised that they were going north on Manchester, and Officer Wagner advised that the speeds reached about 49 miles per hour. Sergeant Kaaikaula advised that he was on State Route 619, sitting at a business, when Officer Wagner called out the traffic stop. Sergeant Kaaikaula stated he began heading towards Manchester and then stopped traffic at a traffic light. Sergeant Kaaikaula advised that Officer Wagner and the other vehicle passed him at State Route 619 and State Route 93. Sergeant Kaaikaula stated, "And from what I saw, the guy was wearing a black hoodie, he had his hood up, so really the only thing I could see was hands. So I assumed, I didn't assume, I thought I saw his hands white but it could of been the steering wheel because I don't really know."

Sergeant Kaaikaula advised the he got behind Officer Wagner and by the time they got to the library, he canceled the pursuit.

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SA Momchilov advised Sergeant Kaaikaula that it was his understanding that there is a countywide system that allows officers to see who else had interactions with a vehicle when the license plate is ran. Sergeant Kaaikaula advised that was correct. SA Momchilov stated to Sergeant Kaaikaula that it was entered into that system that the driver of the vehicle was a white male with a black hoodie. Sergeant Kaaikaula replied, "Yeah I gave, I thought, cause like I said I thought I saw his hands so, I thought his hands were white, I can't say for a fact they were, it could have been the steering wheel, I don't know."

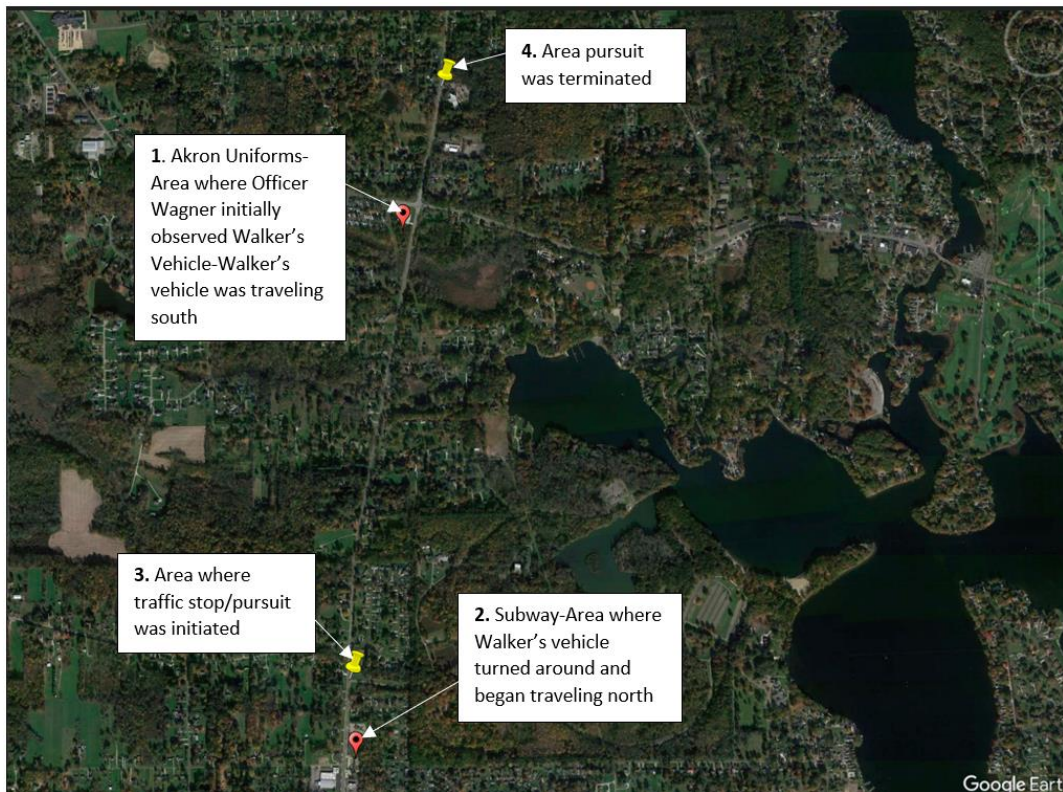


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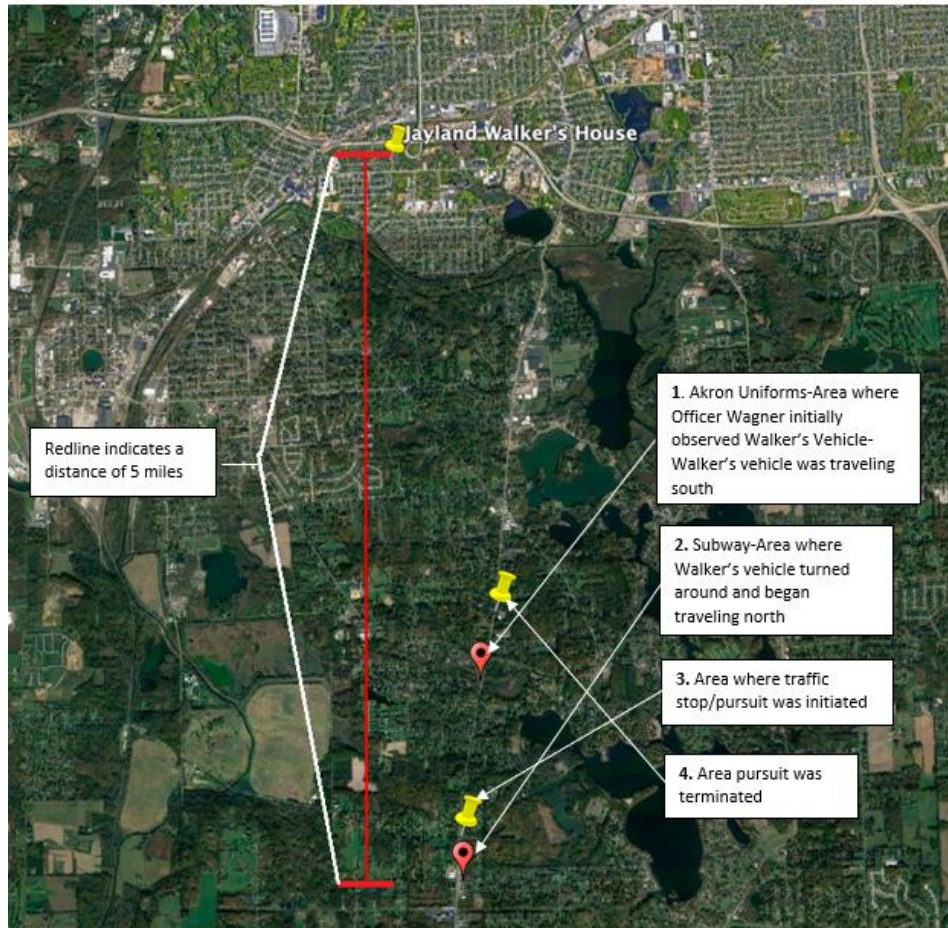


Illustration of area of New Franklin pursuit in relation to Jayland's residence

Investigators are aware of the possibility that Jayland loaned his vehicle to another individual and that Jayland may not have been the driver during the June 26, 2022, pursuit with New Franklin Police. Investigators attempted to interview every individual on Jayland's phone contacts list. No individual interviewed advised that they borrowed Jayland's vehicle. No other individuals came forward and advised that they borrowed Jayland's vehicle. Also, in reviewing all the available information and records, such as text messages, chats and phone logs, investigators could not locate any indication that an individual borrowed Jayland's vehicle.

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Geolocation Mapping

Investigators obtained a search warrant for Google records associated with Jayland Walker. Agents were provide records from Google. In those records were GPS coordinates data that provided the location of the device (cellular phone) used by Jayland.

Those records were examined and analyzed.

June 25, 2022-6:40:24 PM through 11:59:53 PM

From June 25, 2022, at 6:40:24 PM, through 11:59 PM, Google location history for jaylandwalker20@gmail.com appears near 1145 Kohler Ave., Akron, Jayland's residence.

Google ID: jaylandwalker20@gmail.com
Date: June 25, 2022
Time: 6:40:24PM - 11:59:53PM



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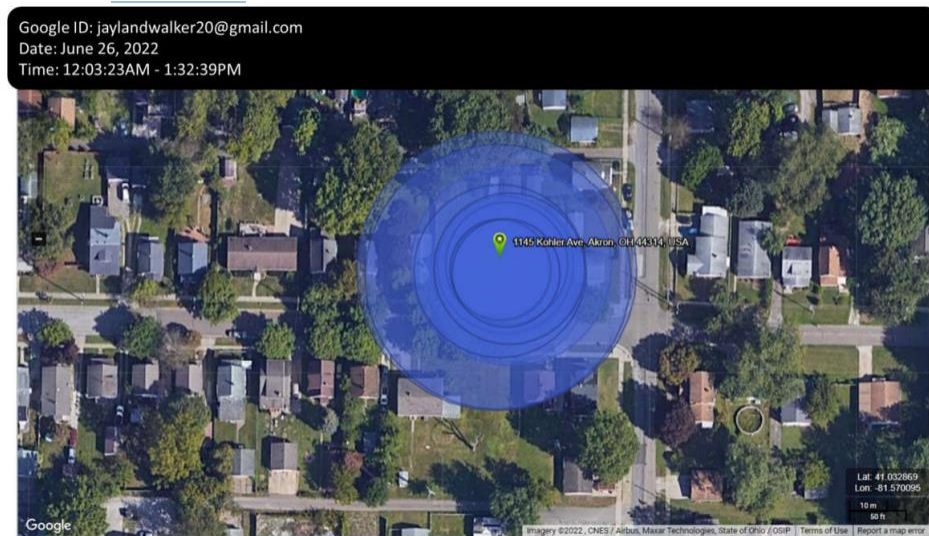


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June 26, 2022-12:03:23 AM through 1:32:39 PM

On June 26, 2022, Google location history for jaylandwalker20@gmail.com shows the cellular phone location near 1145 Kohler Ave., Akron, OH 44314, from 12:03:23 AM - 1:32:39 PM.



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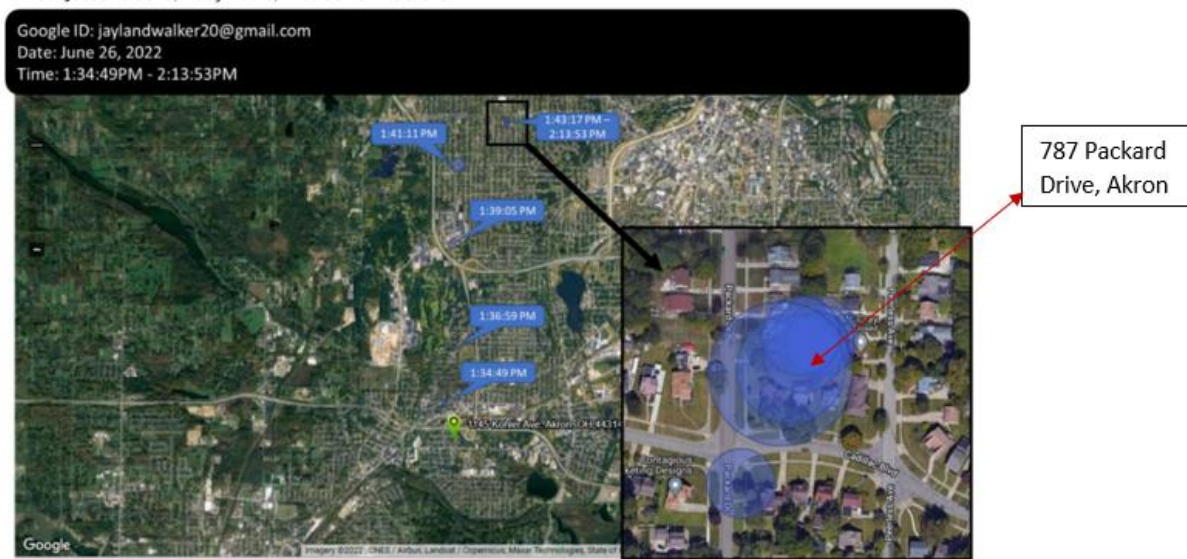


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June 26, 2022-1:34:49 PM through 10:04:05 PM

From 1:43:17 PM through 2:13:53 PM, Jayland's cellular phone appears to stay in the area of Packard Drive, Cadillac Boulevard and Peerless Avenue. Jayland's grandmother, Betty Addie, lives at 787 Packard Drive.



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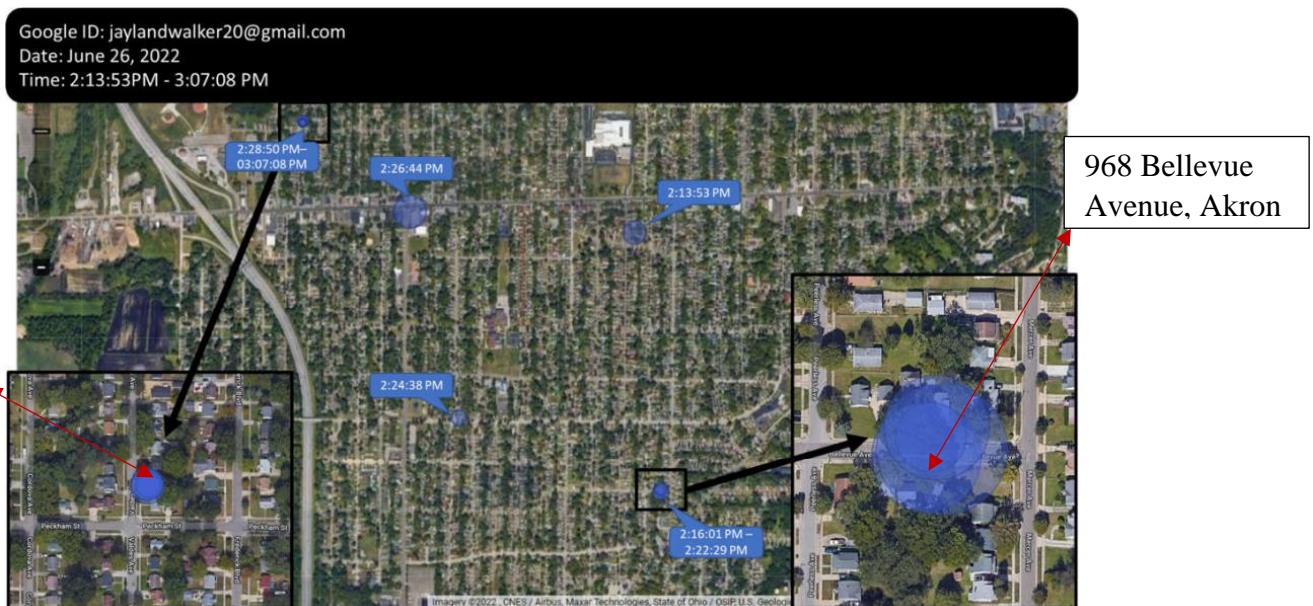


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From 2:16:01 PM through 2:22:29 PM, Jayland's cellular phone appears in the area of Bellevue Avenue, Jaymeisha Beasley's mother, Shalesa Beasley, lives at 968 Bellevue Avenue.

From 2:28:50 PM through 3:07:08 PM, Jayland's cellular phone appears in the area of Valdes Avenue. Jayland's mother and sister live at 827 Valdes Avenue.



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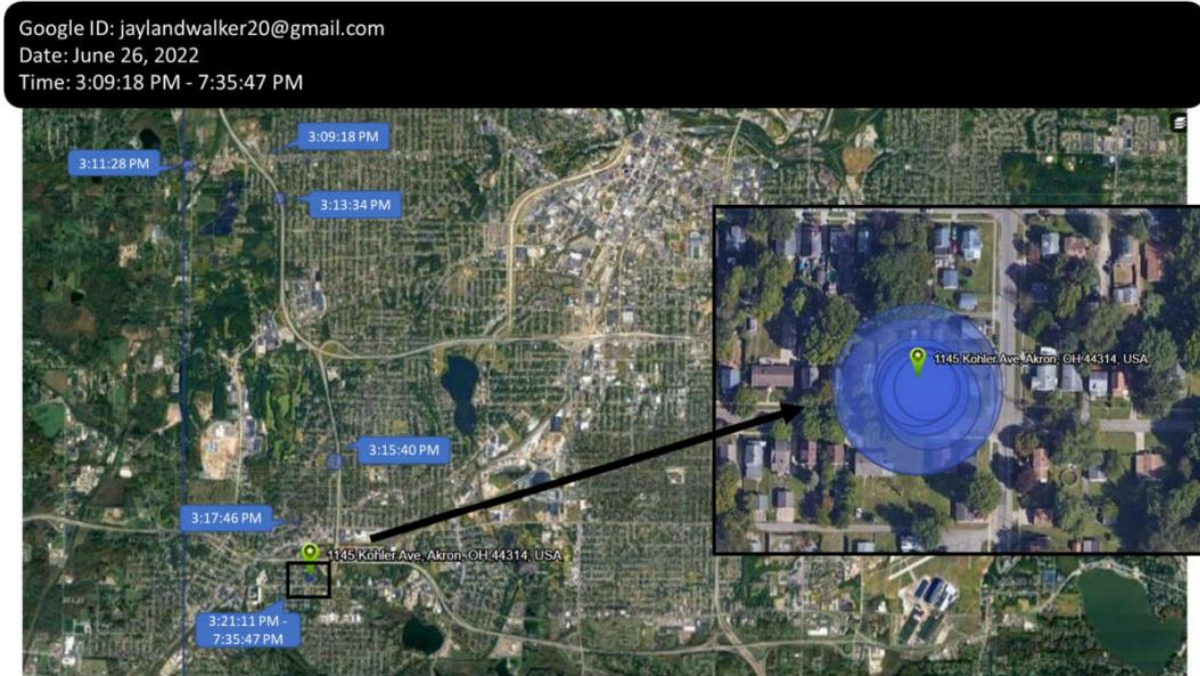
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Jayland's cellular phones travels south from Valdes Ave. at 3:09 PM. It appears again in the area of 1145 Kohler Ave., Akron, from 3:21:11 PM - 7:35:47 PM.



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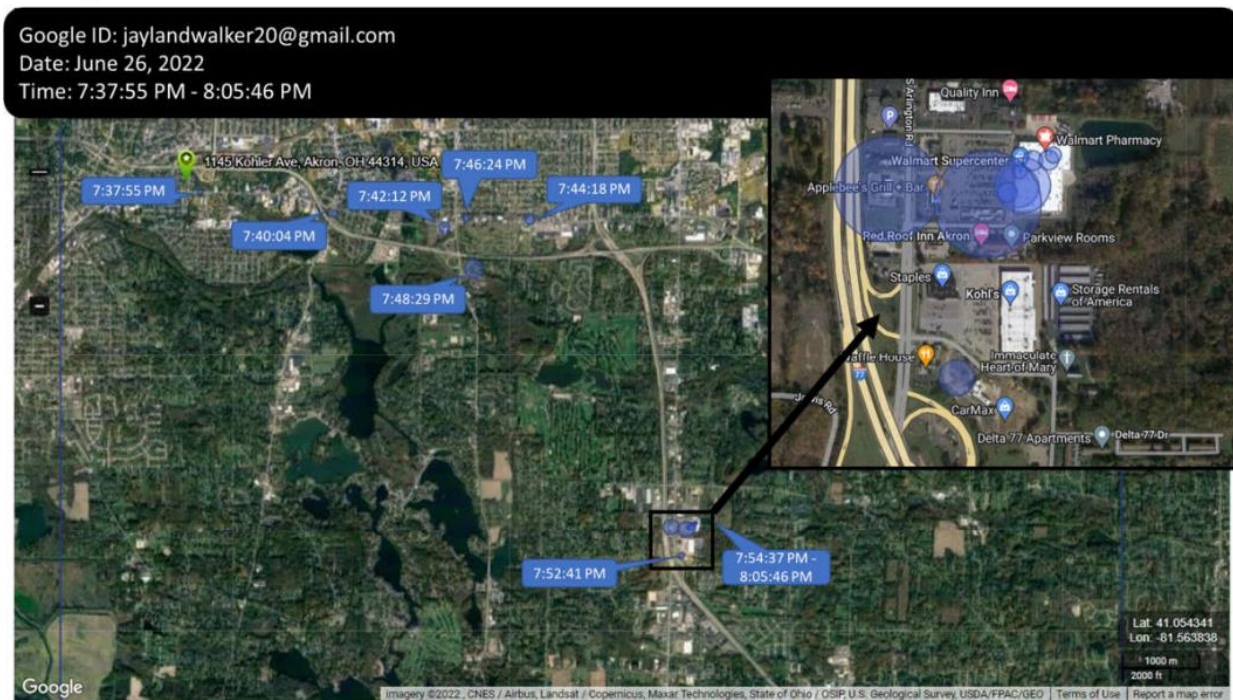
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Around 7:37:55 PM, it appears that Jayland's cellular phone begins to travel to the Walmart Supercenter located at 2887 South Arlington Road, Akron. Jayland's cellular phone stays in the area of Walmart from 7:54:37 PM to 8:05:46 PM.



Investigators were able to determine that Jayland purchased three items at Walmart.

Walmart Save money. Live better.
 WAL*MART
 AKRON, OH
 ST# 1911 OP# 9010 TE# 10 TR# 3151

MM GRAPE	00250004763	F	1.50
BD HR 14OZ	004157014861	F	6.98
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SUBTOTAL			15.46
TAX 1 6.75 %			0.10
TAX 12 0 %			0.00
TOTAL			15.56
DISCOVER CREDIT TEND			15.56
DISCOVER *****			
CHANGE DUE			0.00

ITEMS SOLD 3
 TC# 8389 6038 8488 6180 7809

06/26/22 20:01:16

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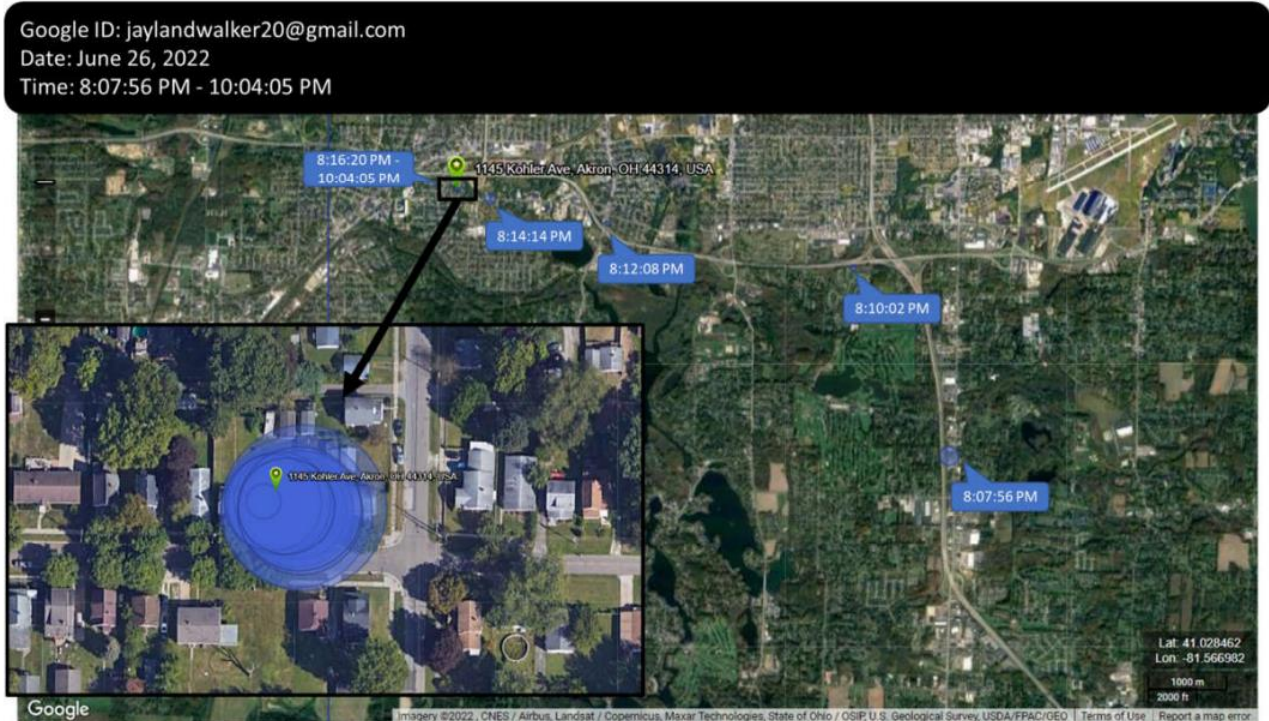
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Jayland's cellular phone then travels from Walmart back to his residence. Jayland's cellular phone stays at his residence from 8:07:59 PM through 10:04:05 PM.



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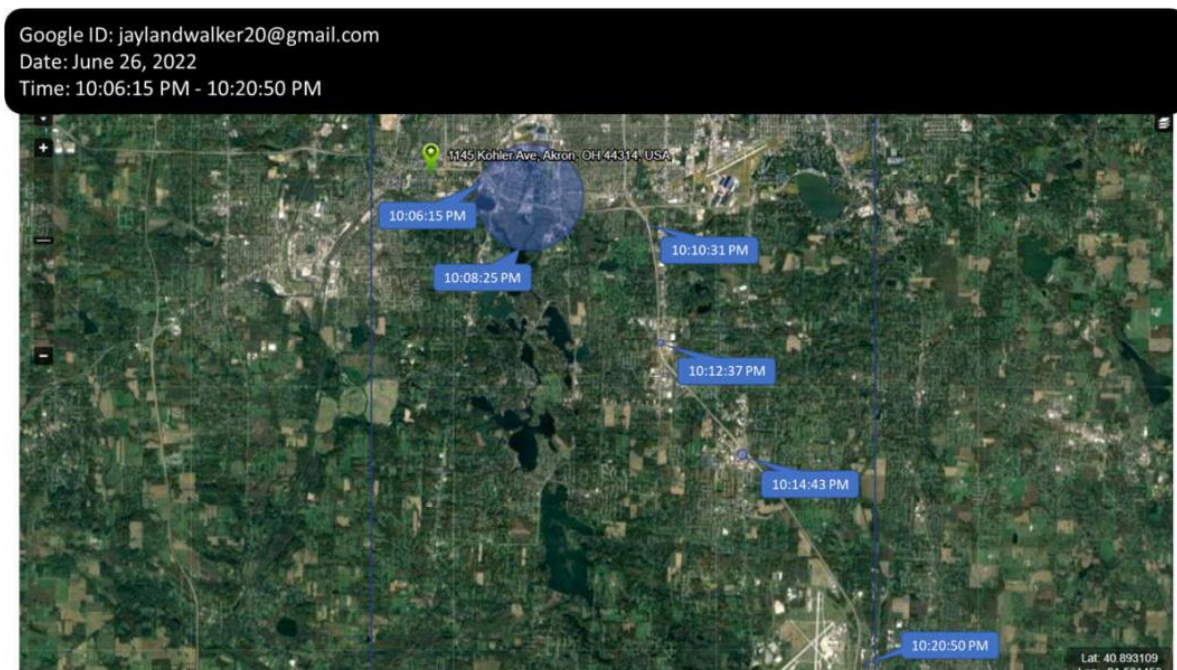


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June 26, 2022-10:06:15 PM through June 27, 2022, 12:36:00 AM

From 10:06:15 PM - 10:26:46 PM, Jayland's cellular phone travels towards the Akron-Canton Airport in North Canton on a route that included I-77 South to Lauby Road/Mount Pleasant Road.



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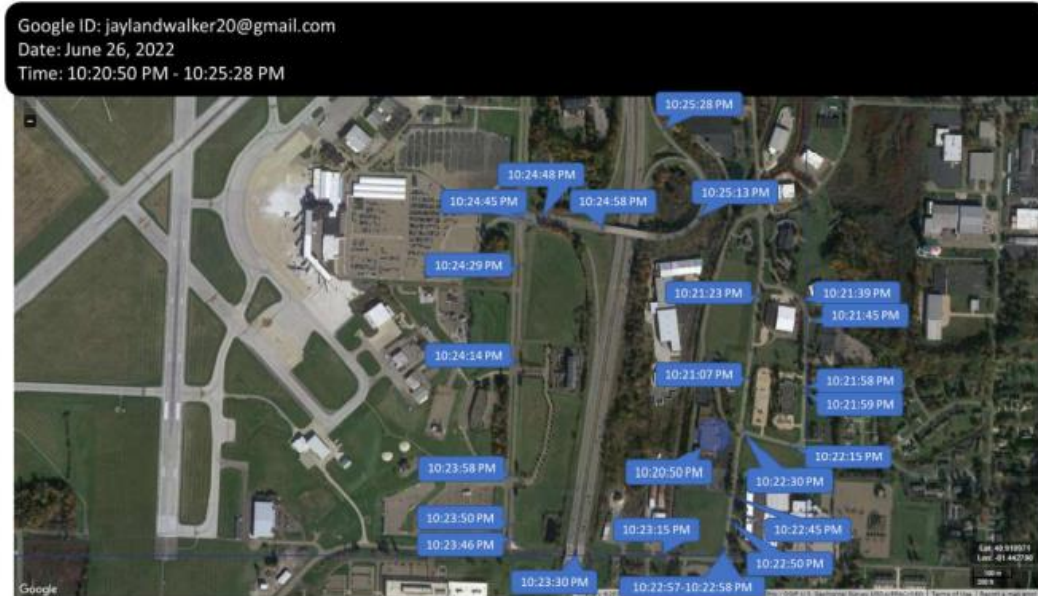


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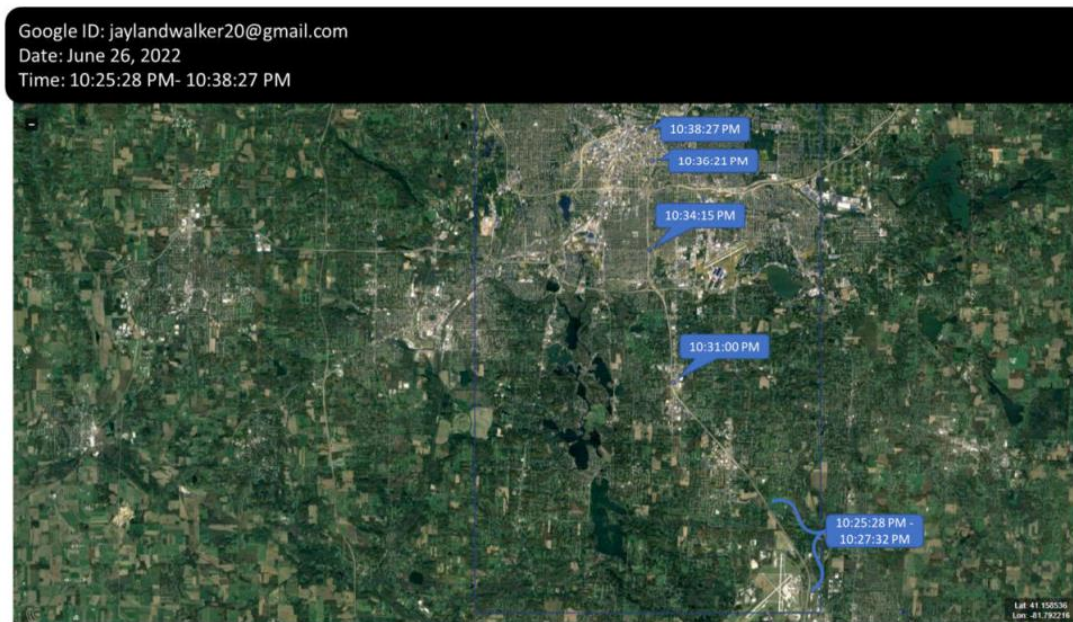


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Jayland's cellular phone does not appear to stay in the Lauby Rd./Mt. Pleasant Rd. area for any prolonged duration and travels back North, via I-77 to Akron, at 10:27:32 PM.



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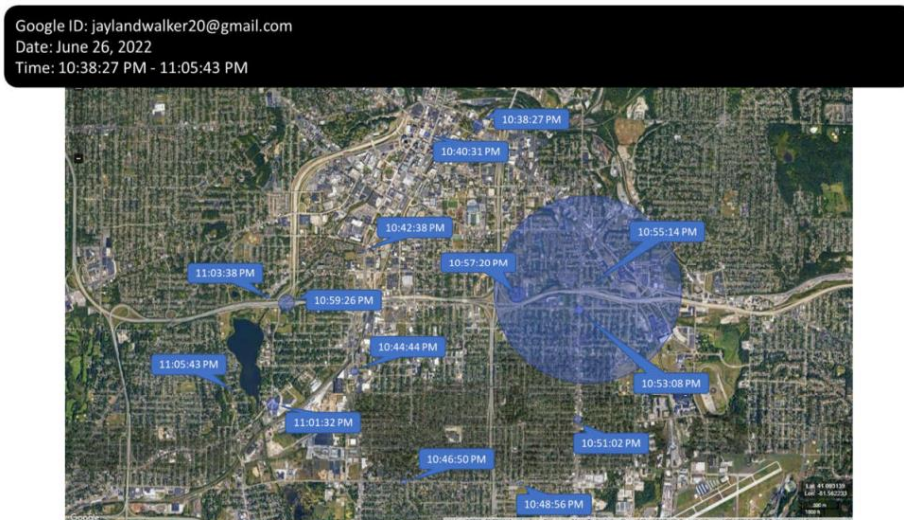
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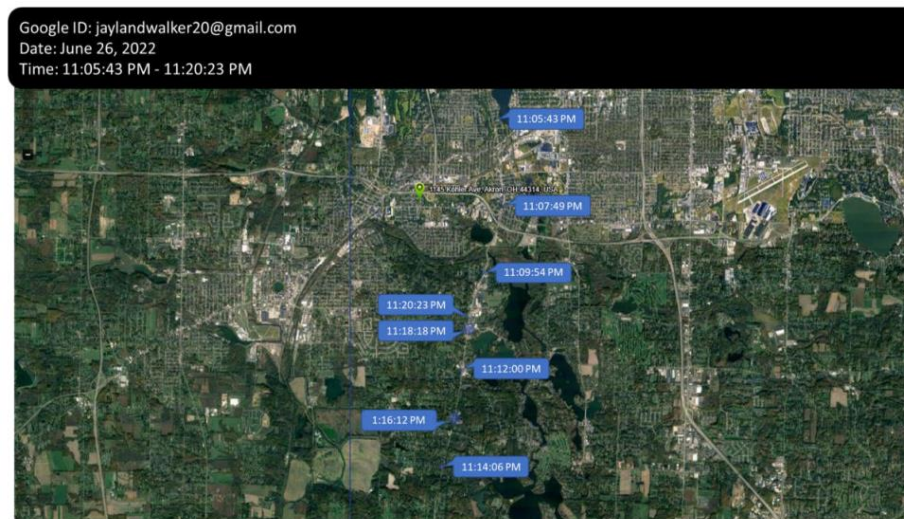
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Google location history for jaylandwalker20@gmail.com shows the following movement around Akron from 10:38:27 PM to 11:05:43 PM. Jayland's cellular phone does not appear to stay in any one area for any duration.



Jayland's cellular phone appears to move south towards Portage Lakes at 11:05:43 PM. The cellular phone does not appear to stay in the area for any substantial time and travels back north, via OH-93/Manchester Rd. towards Akron at 11:16:12 PM.



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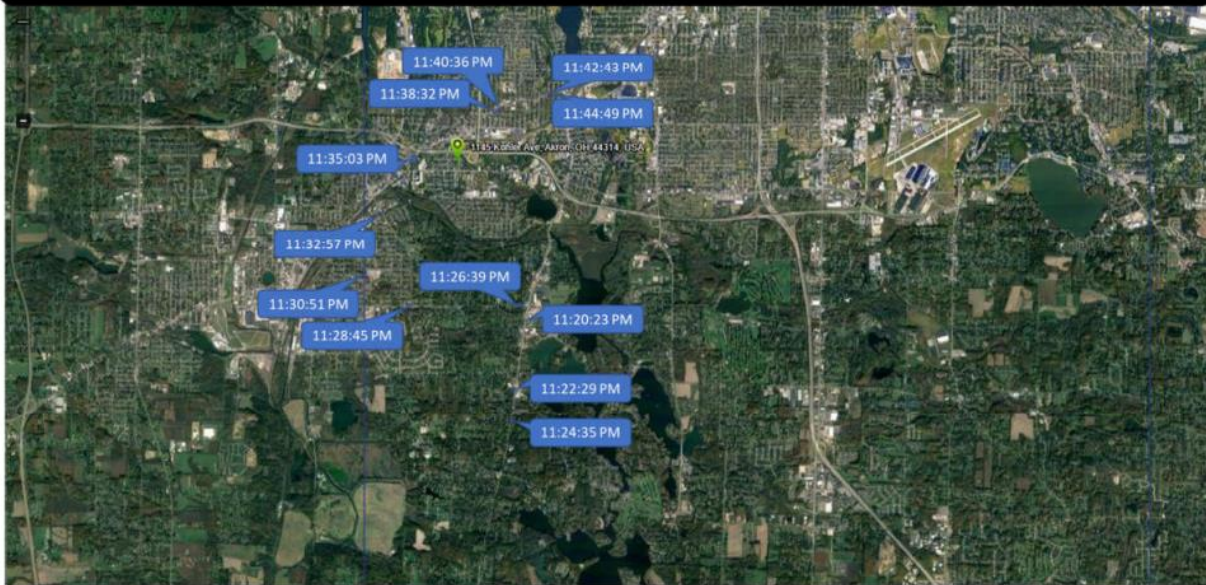
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Jayland's cellular phone travels back towards Portage Lakes at 11:22:29 PM, via OH-93/Manchester Rd. and then back towards Akron at 11:26:39 PM.

Google ID: jaylandwalker20@gmail.com

Date: June 26, 2022

Time: 11:20:23 PM - 11:44:49 PM



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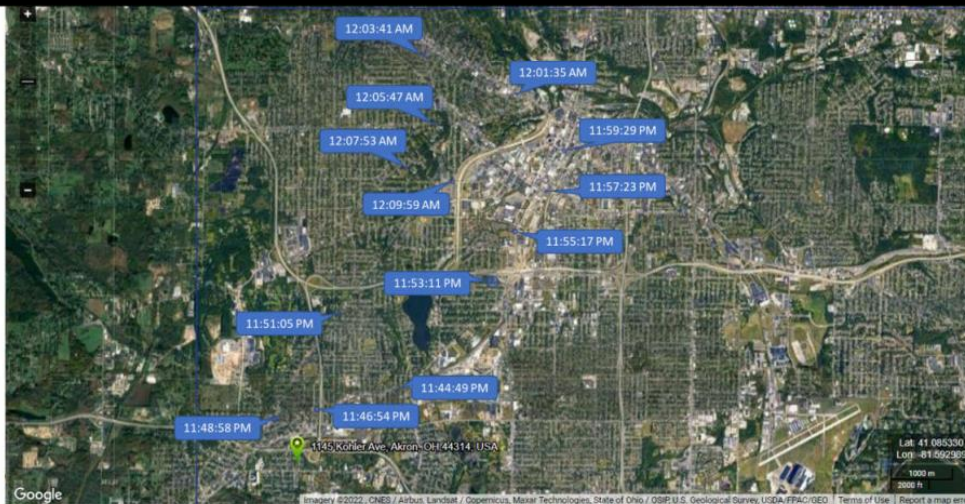


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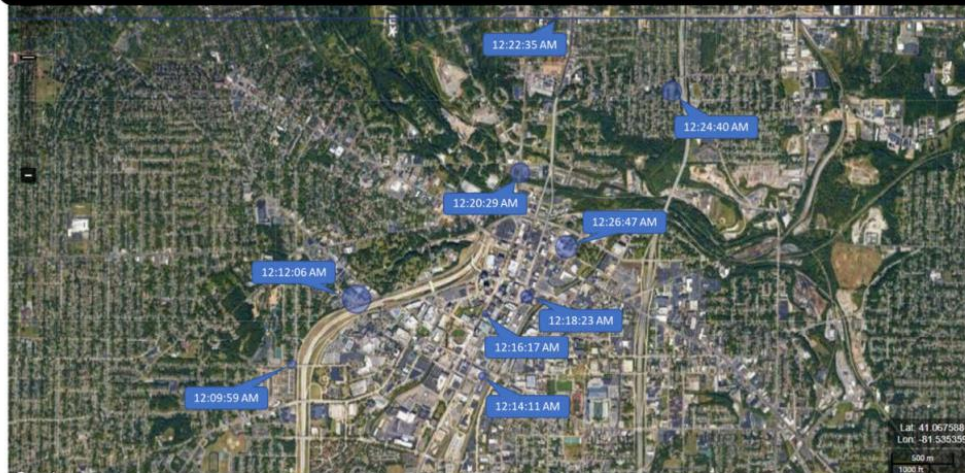
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Google location history for jaylandwalker20@gmail.com shows the following movement around Akron through midnight into the 27th. The cellular phone does not appear to stay in any one area for any duration.

Google ID: jaylandwalker20@gmail.com
 Date: June 26-27, 2022
 Time: 11:44:49 PM - 12:09:59 AM



Google ID: jaylandwalker20@gmail.com
 Date: June 27, 2022
 Time: 12:09:59 AM - 12:26:47 AM



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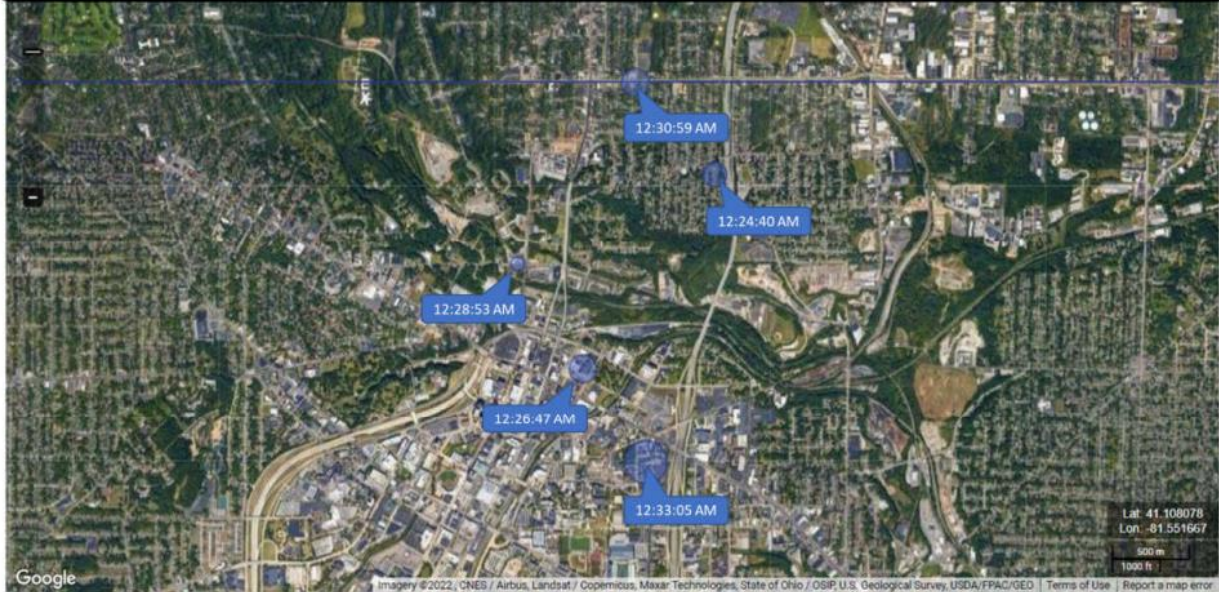
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Google ID: jaylandwalker20@gmail.com
Date: June 27, 2022
Time: 12:24:40 AM - 12:33:05 AM



Geolocation Location Data Conclusion

June 26, 2022, 10:06:15 PM through June 27, 2022, 12:36:33 AM

On June 26, 2022, between 10:06:15 PM and 10:08:25 PM, approximately two and a half hours prior to the shooting, Jayland's cellular phone is observed leaving his residence. For the next approximately two and a half hours, Jayland's cellular phone appears to travel throughout the area of the Akron-Canton airport, New Franklin and Akron. During this time, Jayland does not receive or send any text messages or chats. Jayland does not make any phone calls and only receives one phone call. The phone call was from his mother, Pamela Walker, at 10:29:29 PM, and the duration of the call was 2 minutes and 57 seconds.

At this time, Uber Eats and DoorDash records indicated that Jayland was not working and that the last deliveries made by Jayland were: DoorDash-June 24, 2022, at 5:21 PM, Uber Eats-June 25, 2022, at 5:52 PM.

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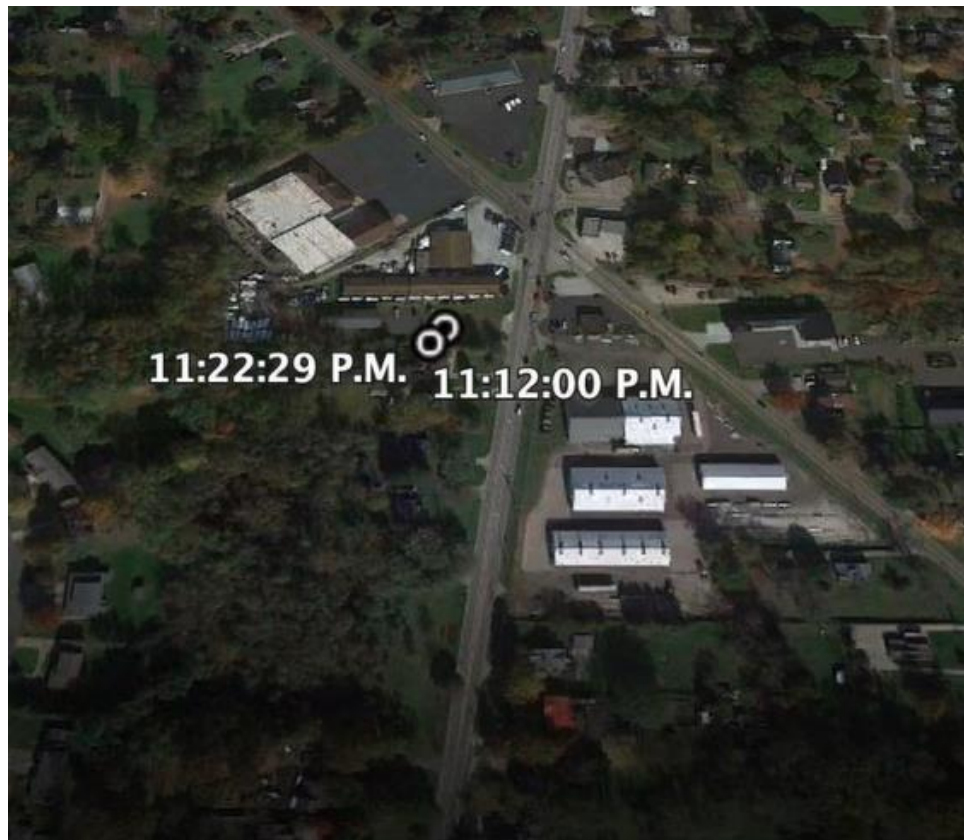
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Investigators examined Jayland's phone and could not locate any other applications that would suggest that Jayland was conducting any other type of delivery service or employment. Also during the two and a half hours, Jayland's cellular phone does not appear to stay in one area for any substantial period of time. On several occasions, Jayland's cellular phone is observed in the same area at different times; for example, at 11:12:00 PM, Jayland's cellular phone is located in the area of 3778 Manchester Road. At 11:22:29 PM, approximately 10 minutes and 29 seconds later, Jayland's cellular phone is once again in the area of 3778 Manchester Road.



Area of 3778 Manchester Road

Another example, at 10:42:38 PM, Jayland's cellular phone is located in the area of 14 West Bartges Street. At 11:55:17 PM, Jayland's cellular phone is once again in the area of 14 West Bartges Street.

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Area of 14 West Bartges Street

In reviewing the Geolocation Analysis Report, it appears that Jayland's cellular phone is traveling aimlessly with no set destination.

New Franklin Vehicle Pursuit

On June 26, 2022, at approximately 2:30 AM, Jayland's vehicle was involved in a pursuit with the New Franklin Police Department. During that time, Jayland's cellular phone was in the area of his residence. Based upon a statement obtained from New Franklin Officer Robert Wagner, Officer Wagner was sitting stationary at Akron Uniforms, located at 4410 Manchester Road, when he observed Jayland's vehicle. Officer Wagner stated that he decided that he was going to conduct a traffic stop on that vehicle for an equipment violation. Officer Wagner pulled out and began traveling southbound on State Route 93; by the time Officer Wagner pulled onto the roadway, another vehicle was traveling between him and the vehicle that he intended to pull over. Officer Wagner continued to follow the vehicles, when he observed the vehicle that he intended to pull over pull into Subway located at 5105 Manchester Road. The vehicle then turned around and re-entered the roadway, now traveling northbound on State Route 93. Officer

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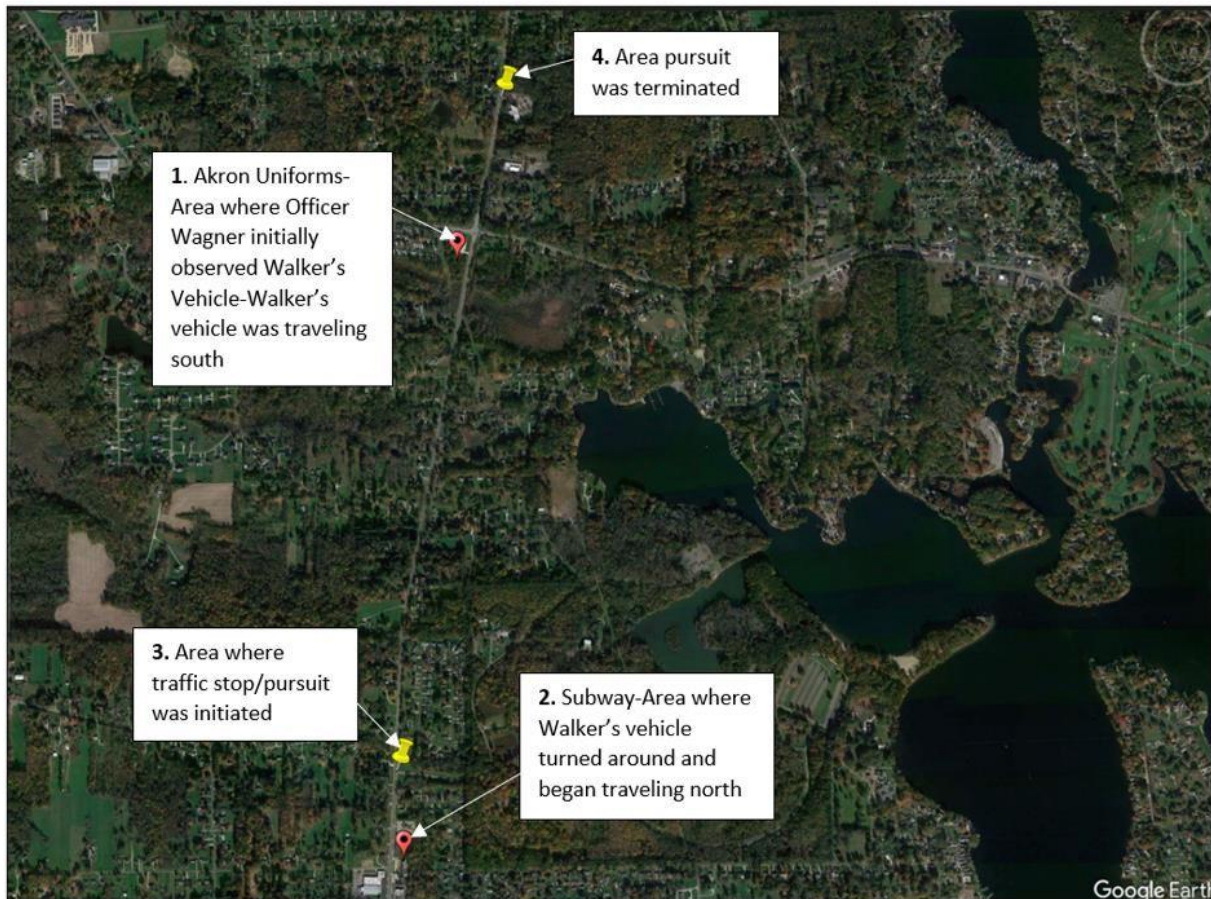
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Wagner stated he turned around in the carwash parking lot and got behind the vehicle. Officer Wagner then turned on his overhead lights. Based upon Officer Wagner's statement, radio traffic and dispatch records, the below map illustrates Officer Wagner's stationary position at Akron Uniforms, the area where Jayland's vehicle turned around and the pursuit route.



Area of New Franklin Pursuit

Investigators are aware of the possibility that Jayland loaned his vehicle to another individual and that Jayland may not have been the driver during the June 26, 2022 pursuit with New Franklin Police. Investigators attempted to interview every individual on Jayland's phone contacts list. No individual interviewed advised that they borrowed Jayland's vehicle. No other individuals came forward and advised that they borrowed Jayland's vehicle. Also, in reviewing all the available information and records, such as text messages, chats and phone logs,

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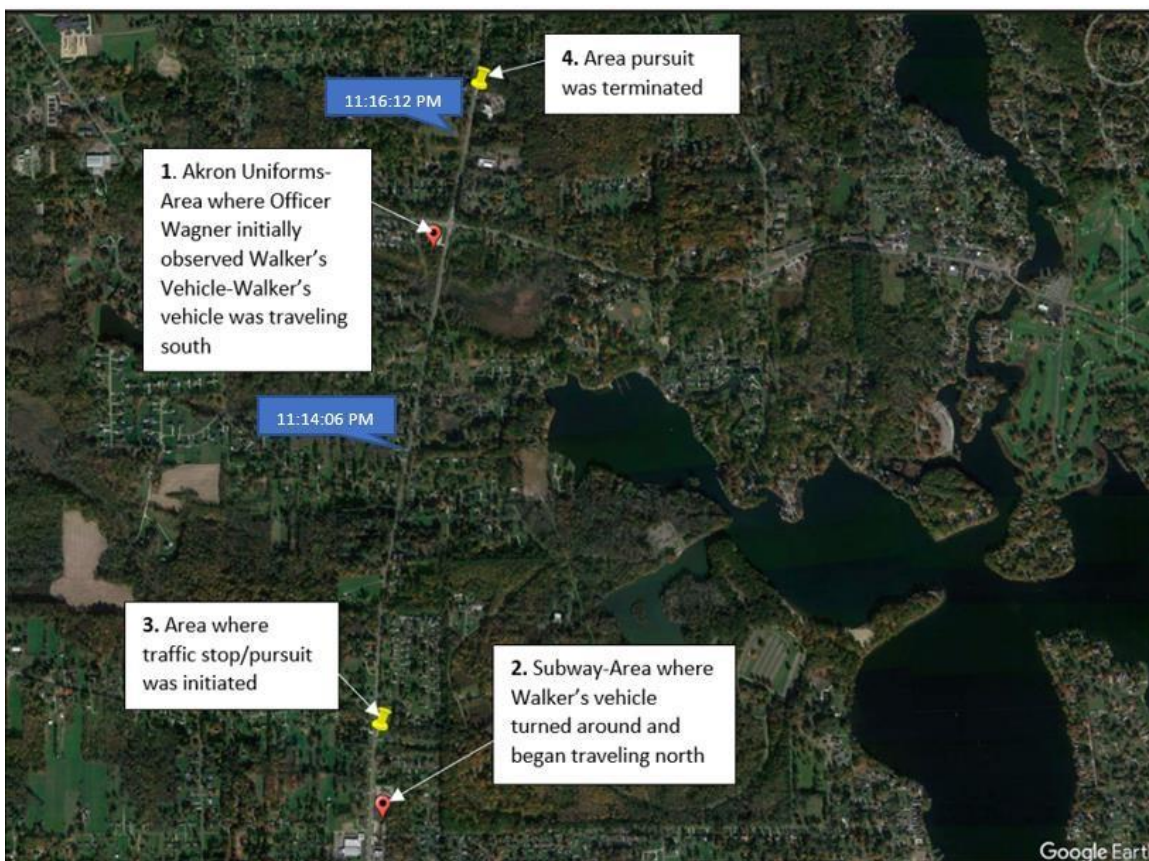
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investigators could not locate any indication that an individual borrowed Jayland's vehicle. Furthermore, on June 26, 2022, approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes prior to Jayland's incident with the Akron Police Department, Jayland's cellular phone is located in the area of the New Franklin pursuit that occurred the morning before. The below map illustrates the time and location of Jayland's cellular phone in relation to the New Franklin pursuit.



Area of New Franklin Pursuit

Officers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both advised in their interviews that they were in the area of North Howard Avenue and Tallmadge Road when they initially observed Jayland's vehicle. Both noted that the vehicle had an equipment violation. When Jayland's license plate was ran, the officers noted that the vehicle had been involved in a pursuit on June 26, 2022. Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] decided to follow Jayland's vehicle until it entered Route 8

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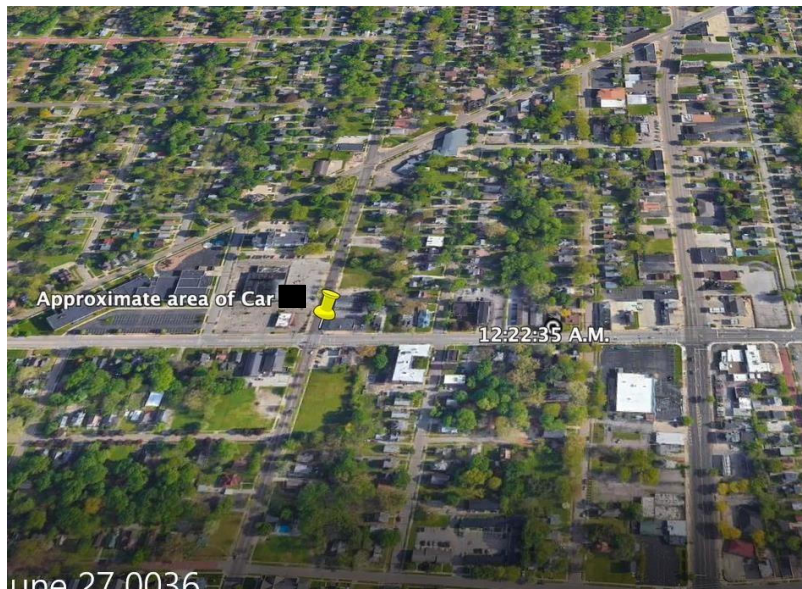


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southbound from Tallmadge Road. At this point, officers decided not to conduct a traffic stop on Route 8 due to safety concerns with stopping a vehicle on the highway.

An offline LEADS search confirmed the fact that Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] ran Jayland's license plate through LEADS on June 27, 2022, at 12:22:42 AM. Jayland's cellular phone was also observed in the area of North Howard Avenue and Tallmadge Road at 12:22:35 AM.



Area of Car [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] returned back to the area of North Howard Avenue and Tallmadge Road. A short time later, both officers stated that they observed Jayland's vehicle back in the location of North Howard Avenue and Tallmadge Road.

This fact is confirmed by Jayland's cellular phone locations. It appears that when Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] decline to follow Jayland's vehicle onto Route 8 South, Jayland returns to the area of North Howard Avenue and Tallmadge road in approximately eight minutes. The below map indicates Jayland's cellular phone locations after Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] declined to follow his vehicle onto Route 8 South.

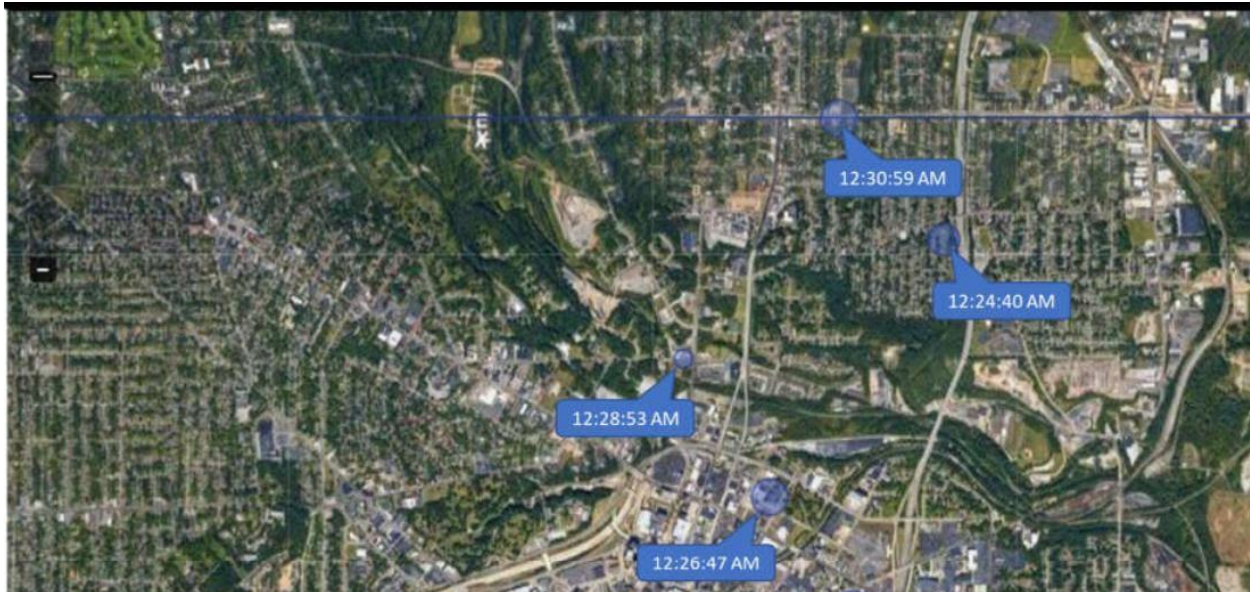


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Jayland's cellular phone locations after Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] declined to follow his vehicle onto Route 8 South

Also, Jayland's cellular phone is in the area of the Akron Police Department on several occasions in the hours leading up to the shooting.



Area of Akron Police Department

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Cellular Phone Records

Agents examined cellular phone records (text messages, chats and call logs) associated with Jayland. Agents could not locate any direct information related to the shooting. Agents did locate numerous text messages after the death of Jaymeisha, in which individuals were offering condolences and “checking” on Jayland, which would be expected when an individual loses a loved one.

However, there are some text messages sent and received by Jayland that may provide insight into Jayland’s emotional state, for example:

After Jaymeisha’s death, Jayland sent the following messages to Jaymeisha’s phone:

“I love you so much ♥ my everything” - May 30, 2022-10:38:55 PM

“Beautiful Baby ♥” - June 9, 2022-1:38:21 PM

“Please come back I love you so Much I need you Beautiful Baby” - June 16, 2022-3:33:49 PM

On June 11, 2022, at 11:01:32 PM, Jayland’s sister, Jada, sent Jayland the following message: “PLEASE! Be careful driving and I'll call you ass soon as we leave the movie. Breathe. Park your car if you have to, THINK CLEARLY. It's okay. We LOVE YOU! Please, go to grandmas, or Mama Lonnie's if you need to”; followed by, “*call you as soon as we leave That's what I meant”

On June 18, 2022, Jayland was having a text message conversation with an individual, Kendra. During that conversation, Kendra texted Jayland, “I know jayland I will I'll get over it eventually”; followed by, “I know it’s not bad I just don’t know what to do.”

Jayland responded to the message and stated, “Me either man. That sound good But there no Getting Over Jaymeisha Fr. That my wife yo Best friend”

On June 25, 2022, beginning at 9:17:42 PM, hours prior Jayland’s vehicle being involved in the pursuit in New Franklin, Jayland and his mother, Pamela, have the following text message correspondence:

9:17:42 PM-Pamela to Jayland: “Awww ok. I was hoping you came over and hung out with me. Jada's it for the evening.”

9:18:35 PM-Pamela to Jayland: “I don't really want to leave now that it's dark.”

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9:19:27 PM-Jayland to Pamela: "I really can't Watch TV and stuff Fr"

9:20:32 PM-Pamela to Jayland: "Why not??"

9:23:51 PM-Jayland to Pamela: "It reminds me of her that why mainly just work and read or something. TV is just different yoll can do that watch TV all day I really can't watch it anymore

9:26:04 PM-Pamela to Jayland: "I see. Even if you're watching it with me you can't do it either?"

9:28:05 PM-Jayland to Pamela: Yoll just don't understand me fully.. even before I really stopped watching TV Fr it Just ain't it no more Mom not a big deal It just TV

9:29:43 PM-Pamela to Jayland: "I pray for you day and night that God helps you through this and try to give you some peace. I love you so much Jayland.

9:30:06 PM-Pamela to Jayland: "I'm sorry"

At 9:31:21 PM, Jayland calls Pamela and they have a 6 minute and 55 second conversation. After that conversation, Jayland does not make or receive any other phone calls or text messages until 10:34:36 AM the following morning (June 26, 2022).

On June 26, 2022, at 9:43:01 PM, Jayland receives a text message from Jada that states, "It was cool, me and mom went for a ride. I'm at grandmas now, sitting on the porch." Jayland does not receive or send any further messages after that.

On June 26, 2022, 10:29:29 PM, Jayland receives a call from his mother, Pamela. The duration of that call was 2 minutes and 57 seconds. Jayland does not receive or make and further calls after that.

The text messages, chats and call logs did not provide any direct information to why Jayland was driving around areas of Akron, Green and New Franklin, hours prior to the shooting.

Investigators could also find no indication, based on the records, that Jayland had engaged in any type of criminal activity in the month leading to the shooting.



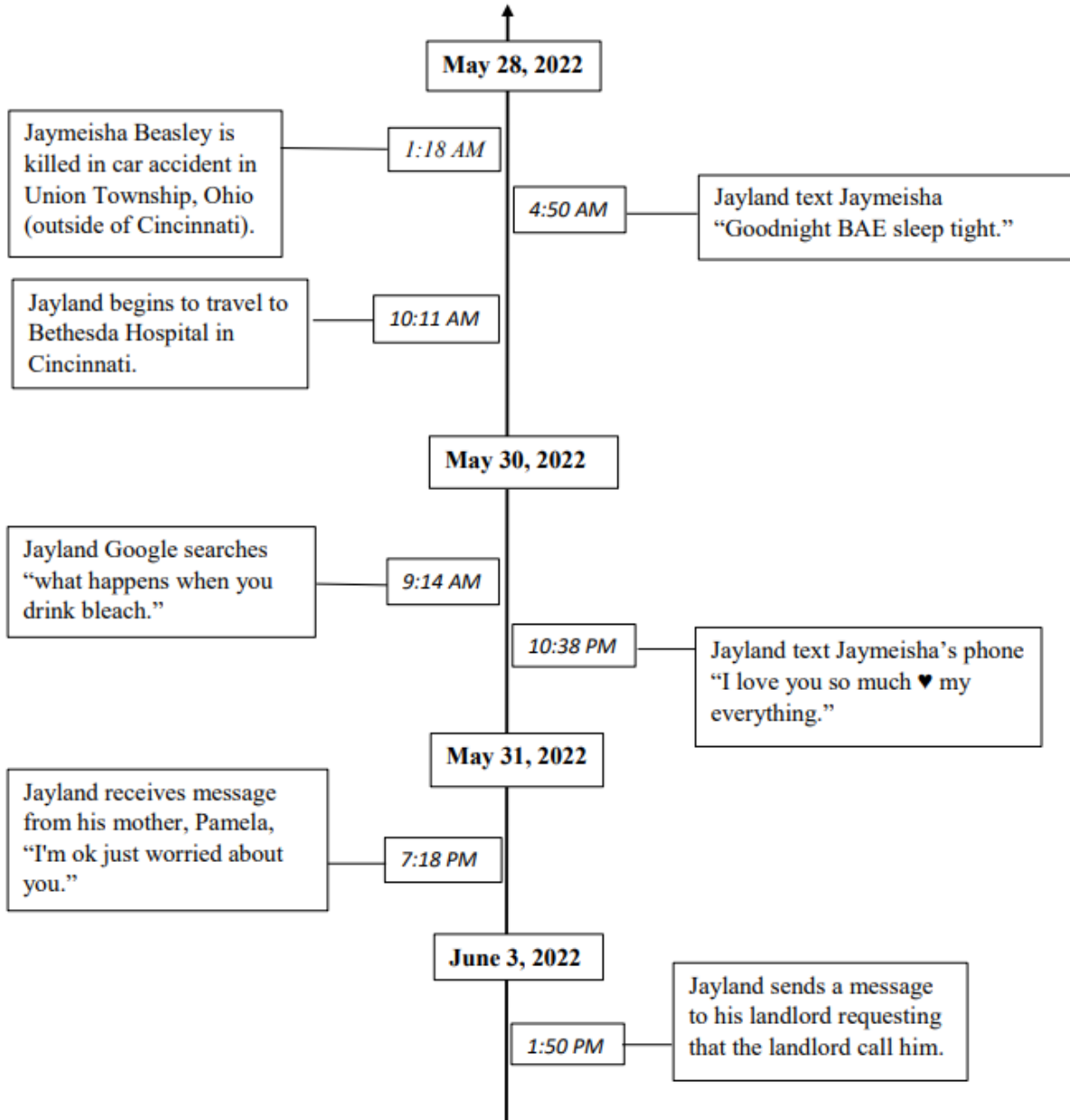
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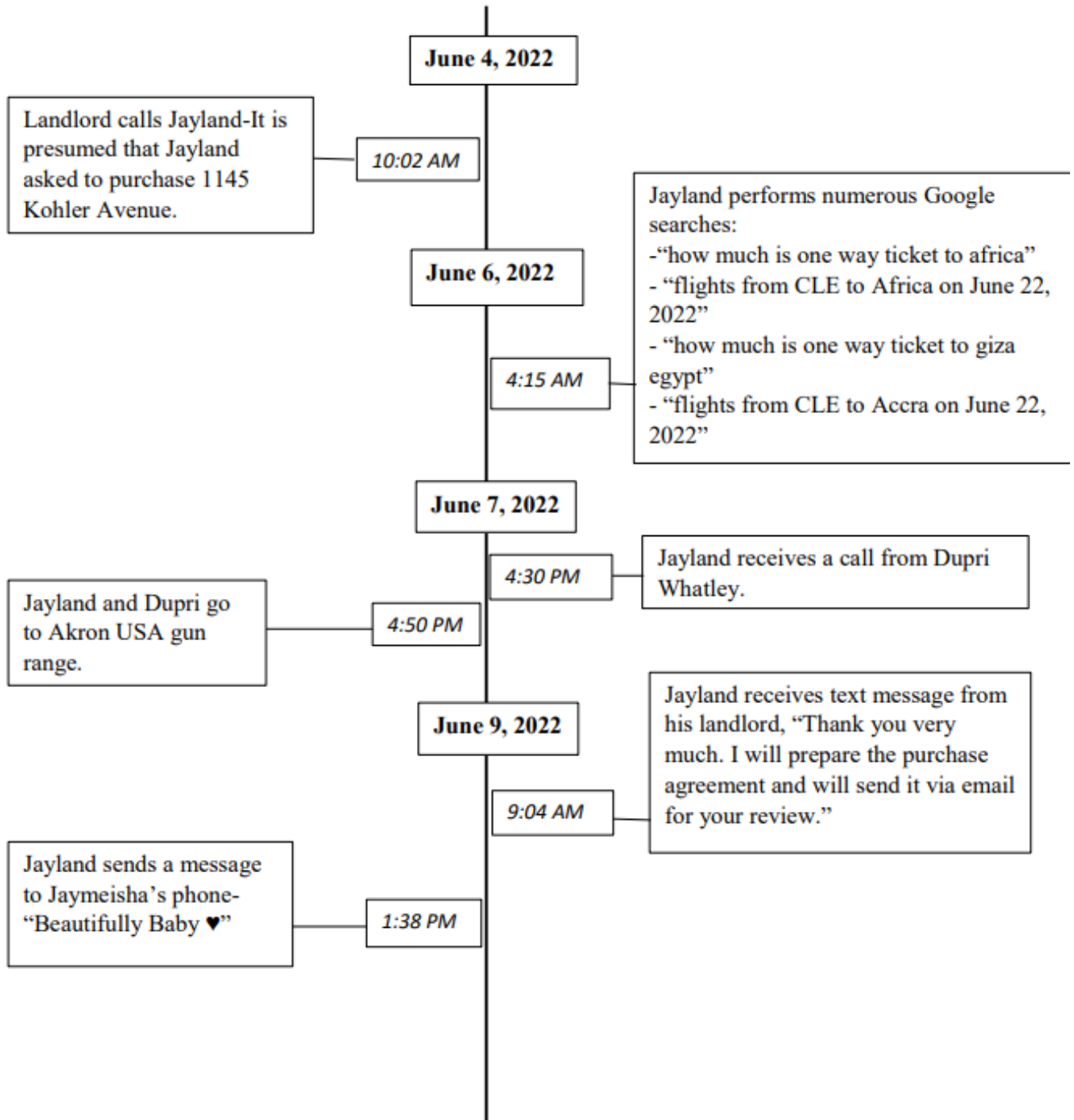


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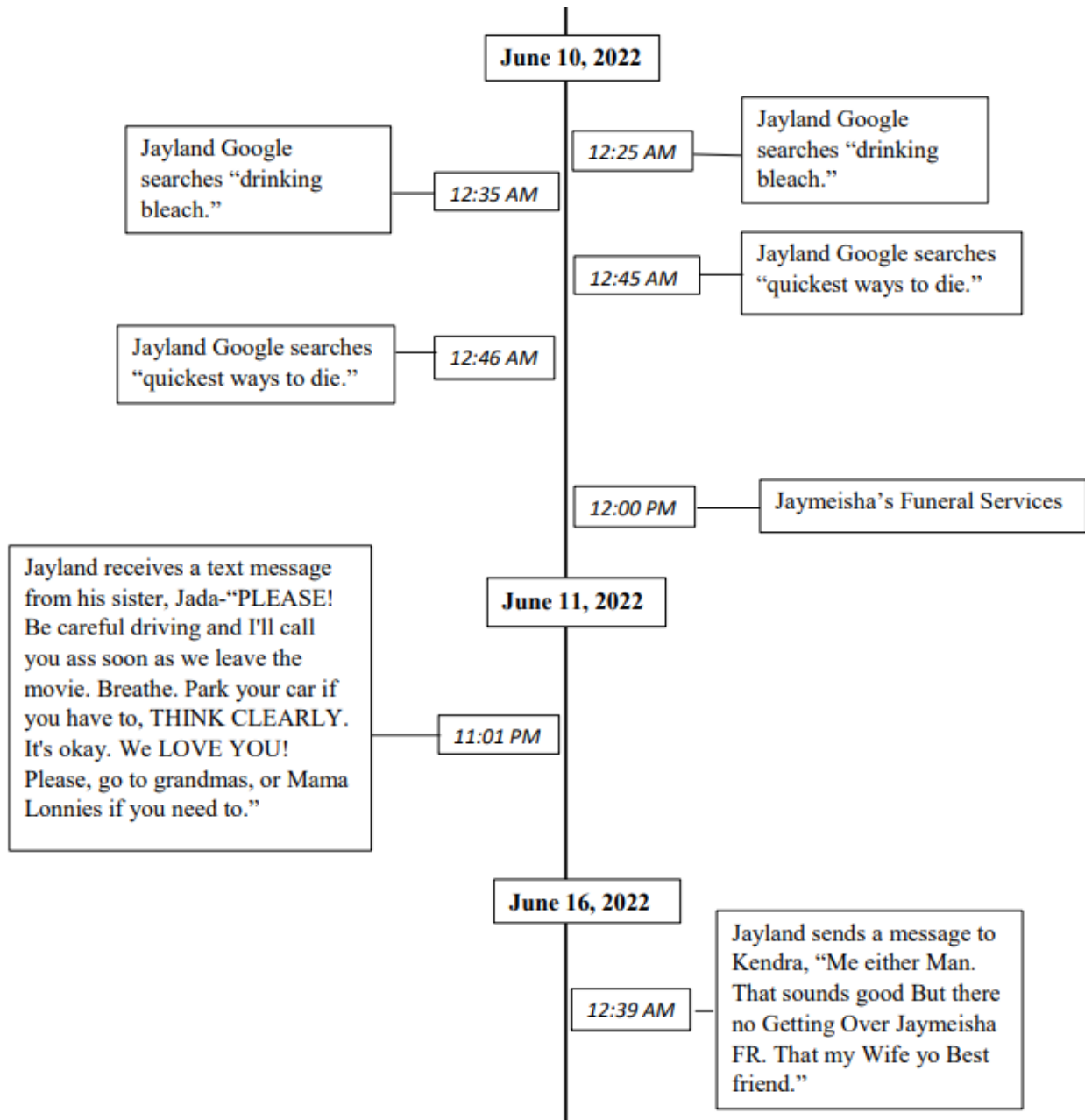


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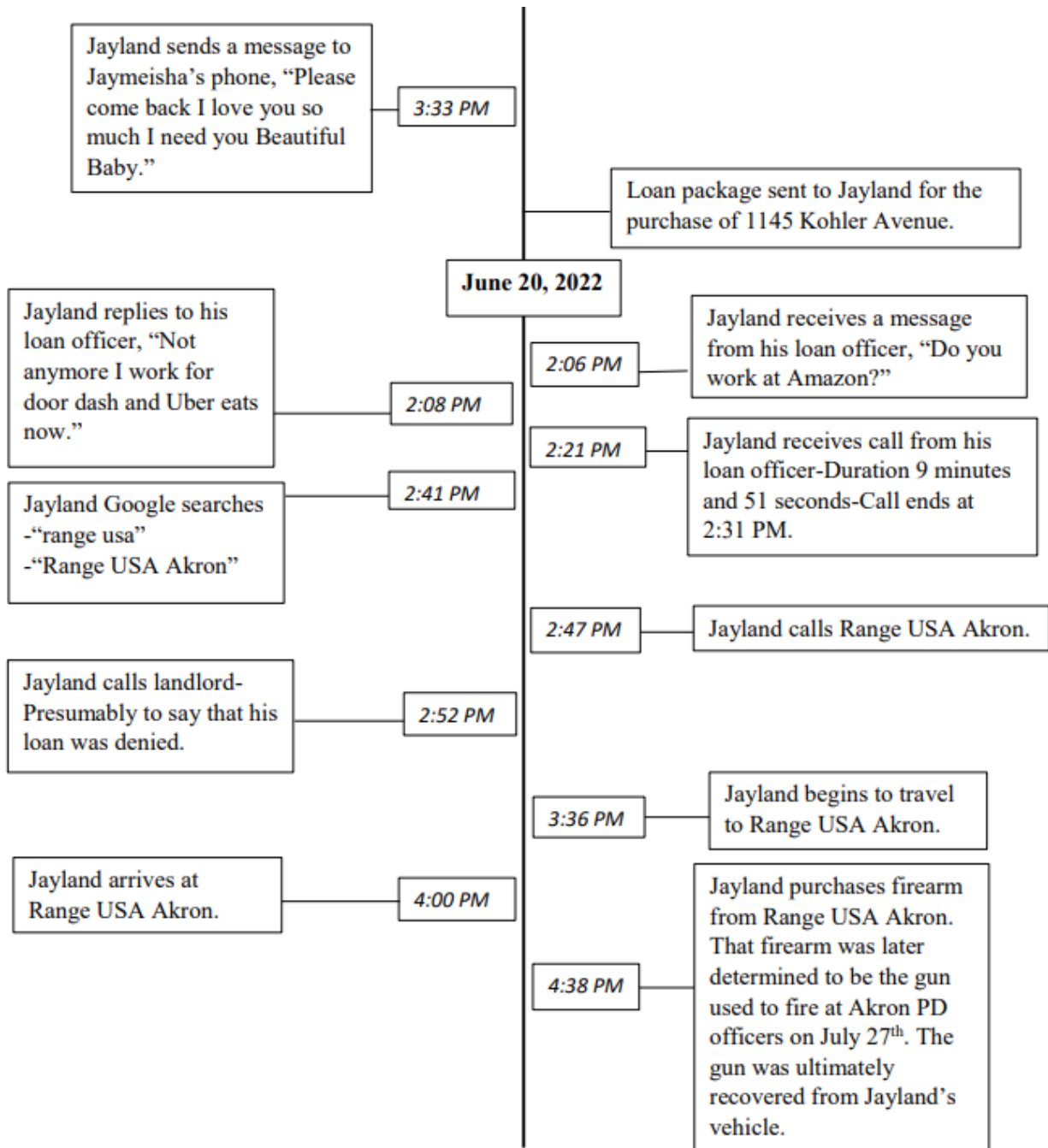


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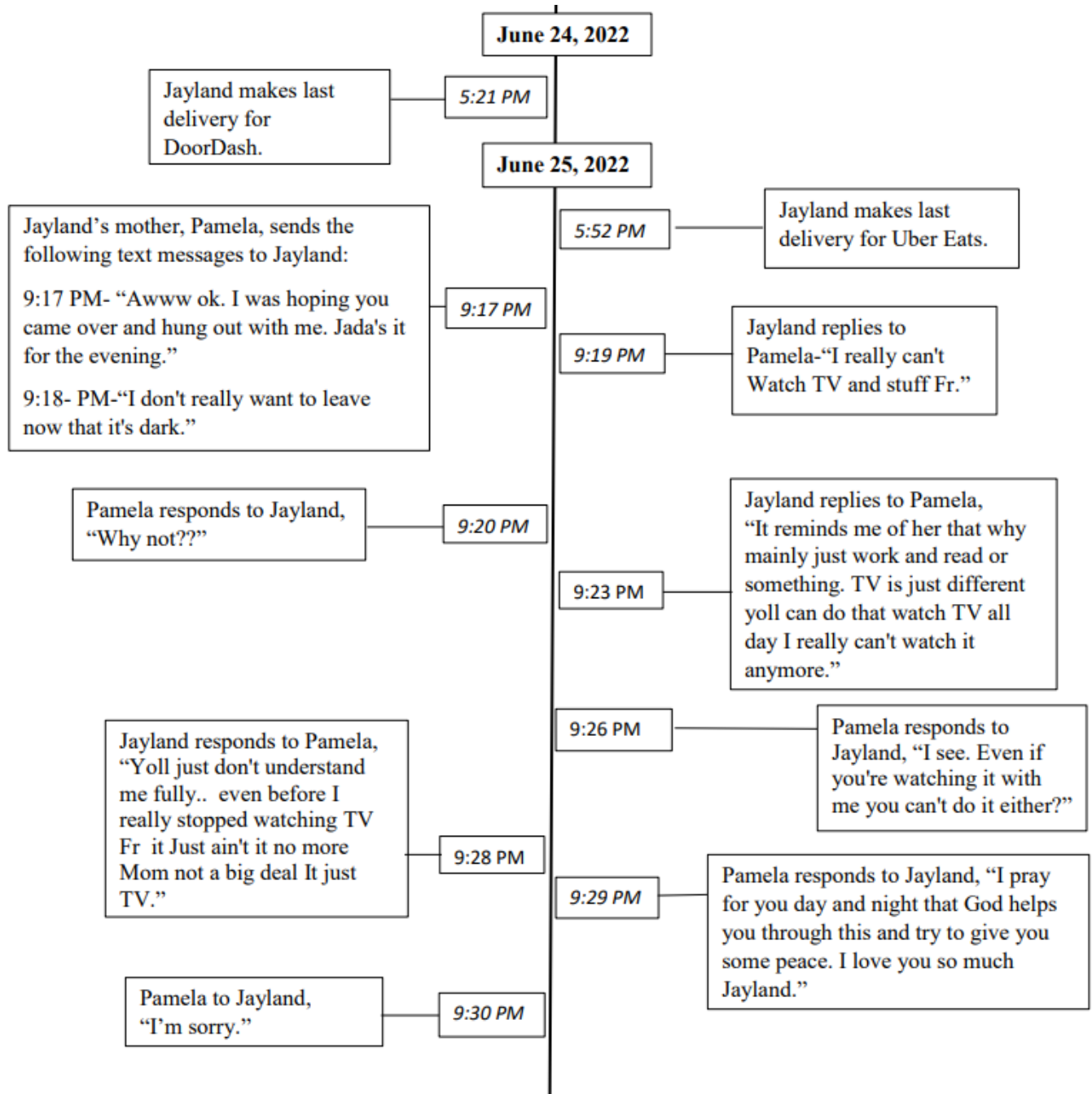


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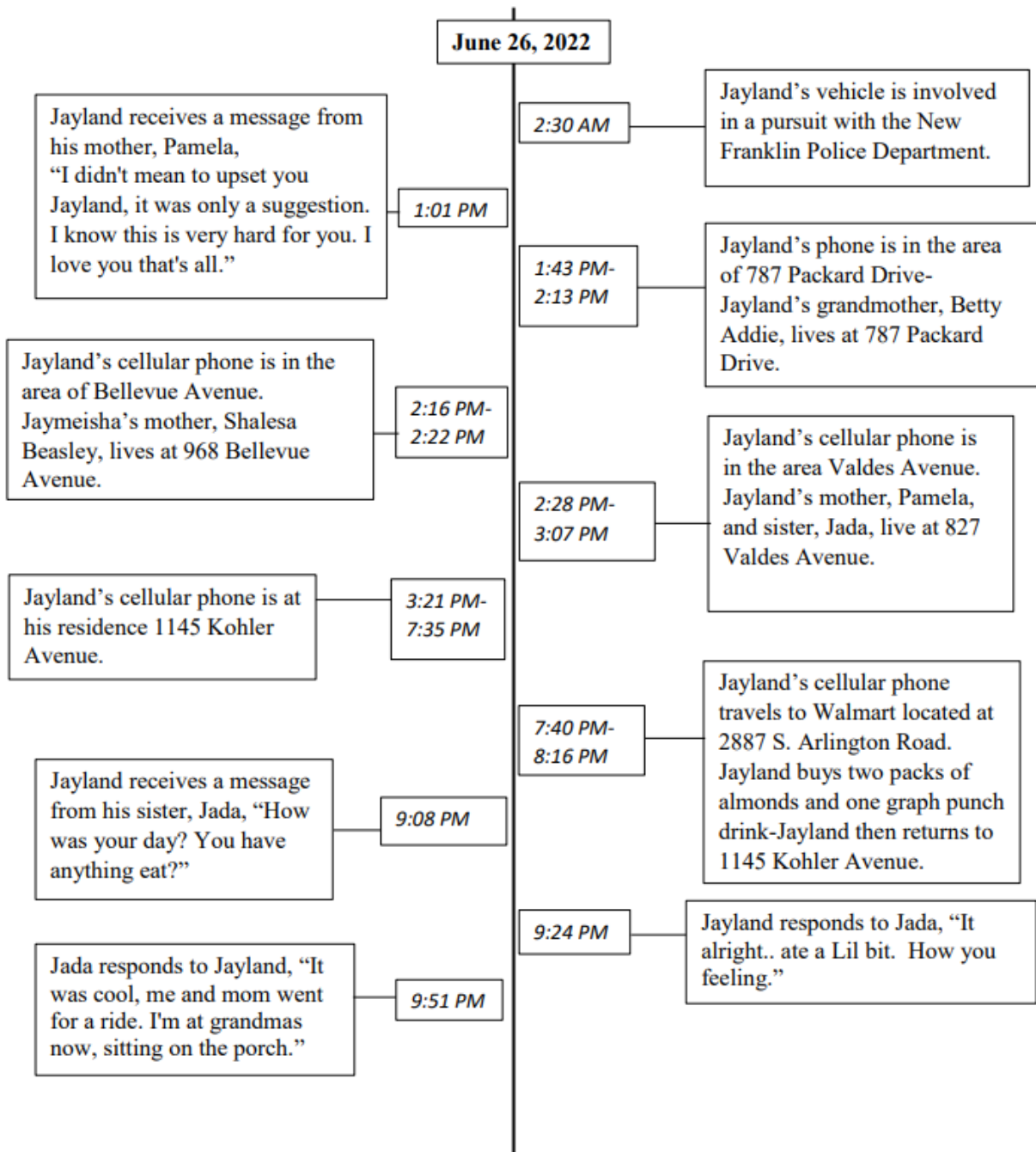


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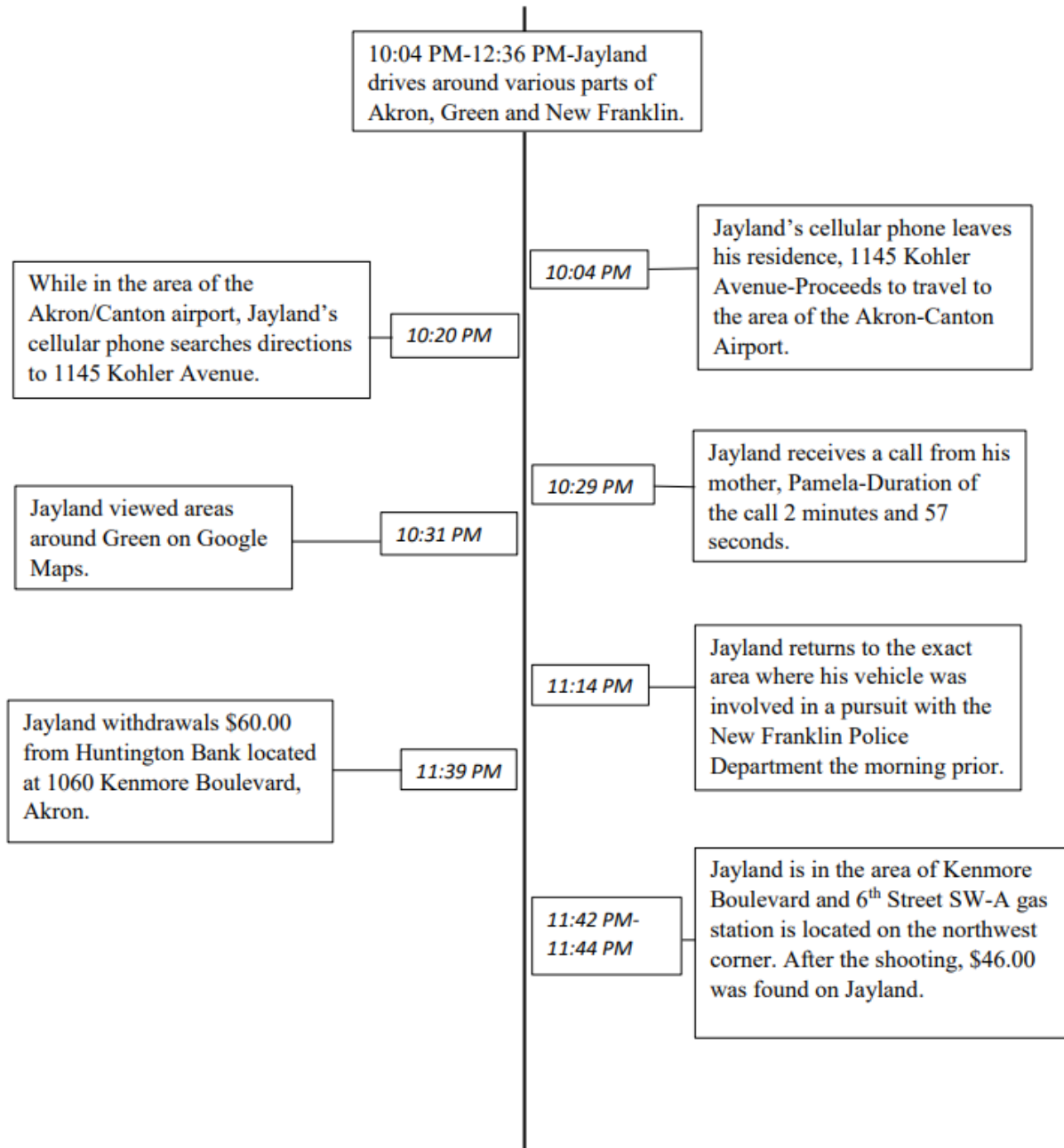


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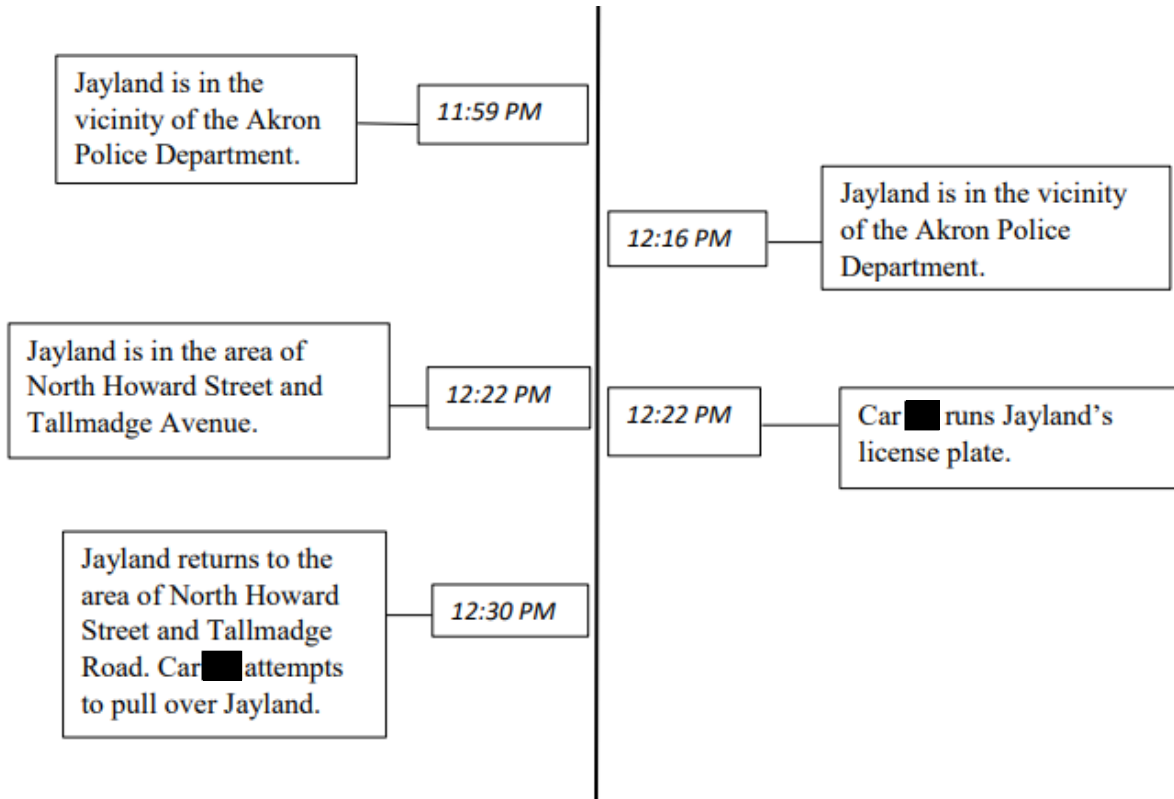


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Autopsy

SA Momchilov received a hard copy from the Summit County Medical Examiner's Office. The correspondence consisted of the autopsy report for Jayland Walker. SA Momchilov reviewed the report and noted the following:

[Redacted]

The information deemed to be the most relevant to this inquiry is summarized below for the convenience of the reader. However, as the author is not a doctor, it is suggested that the report be viewed in its entirety to ensure no pertinent information has been omitted or described out of context.

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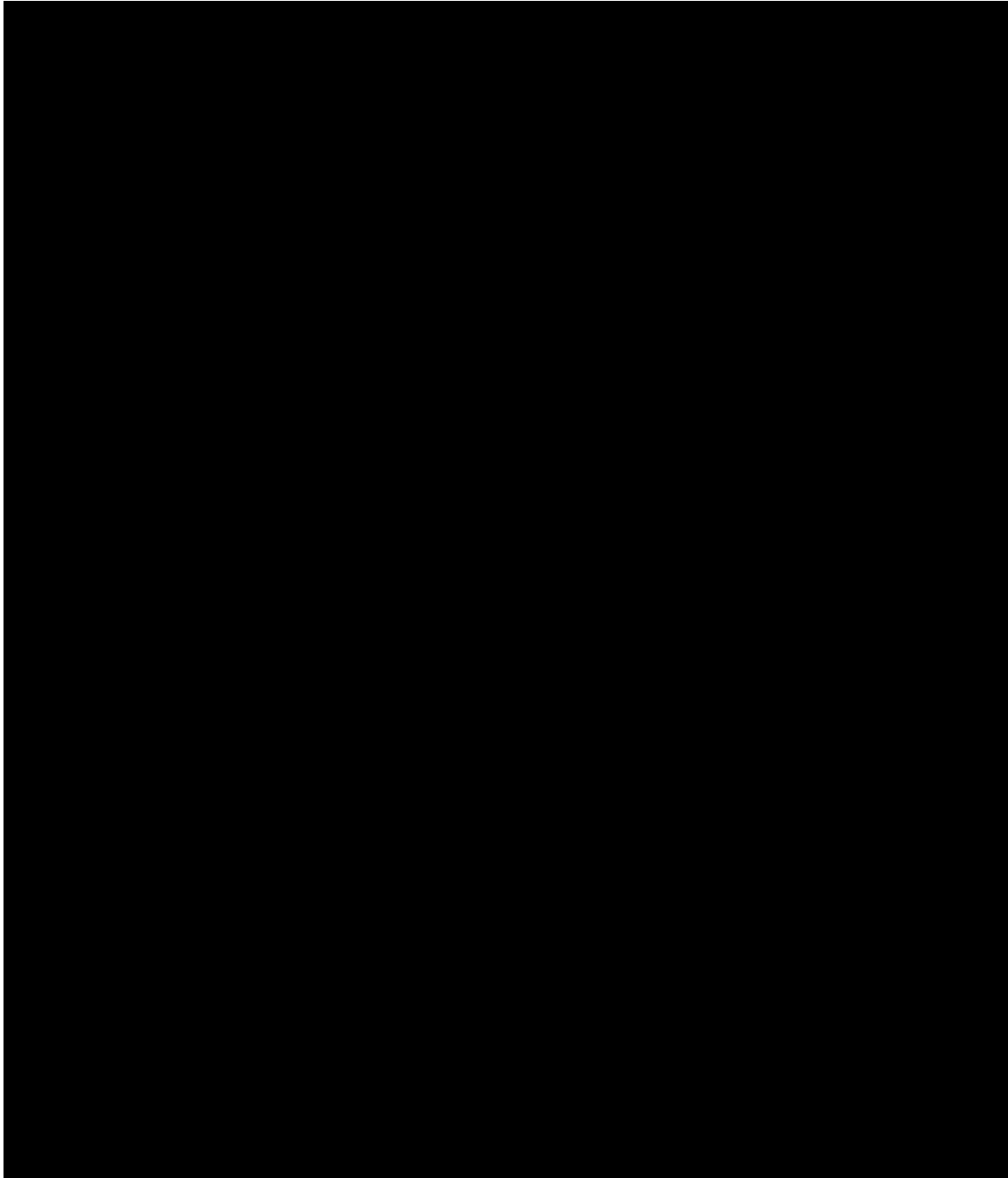


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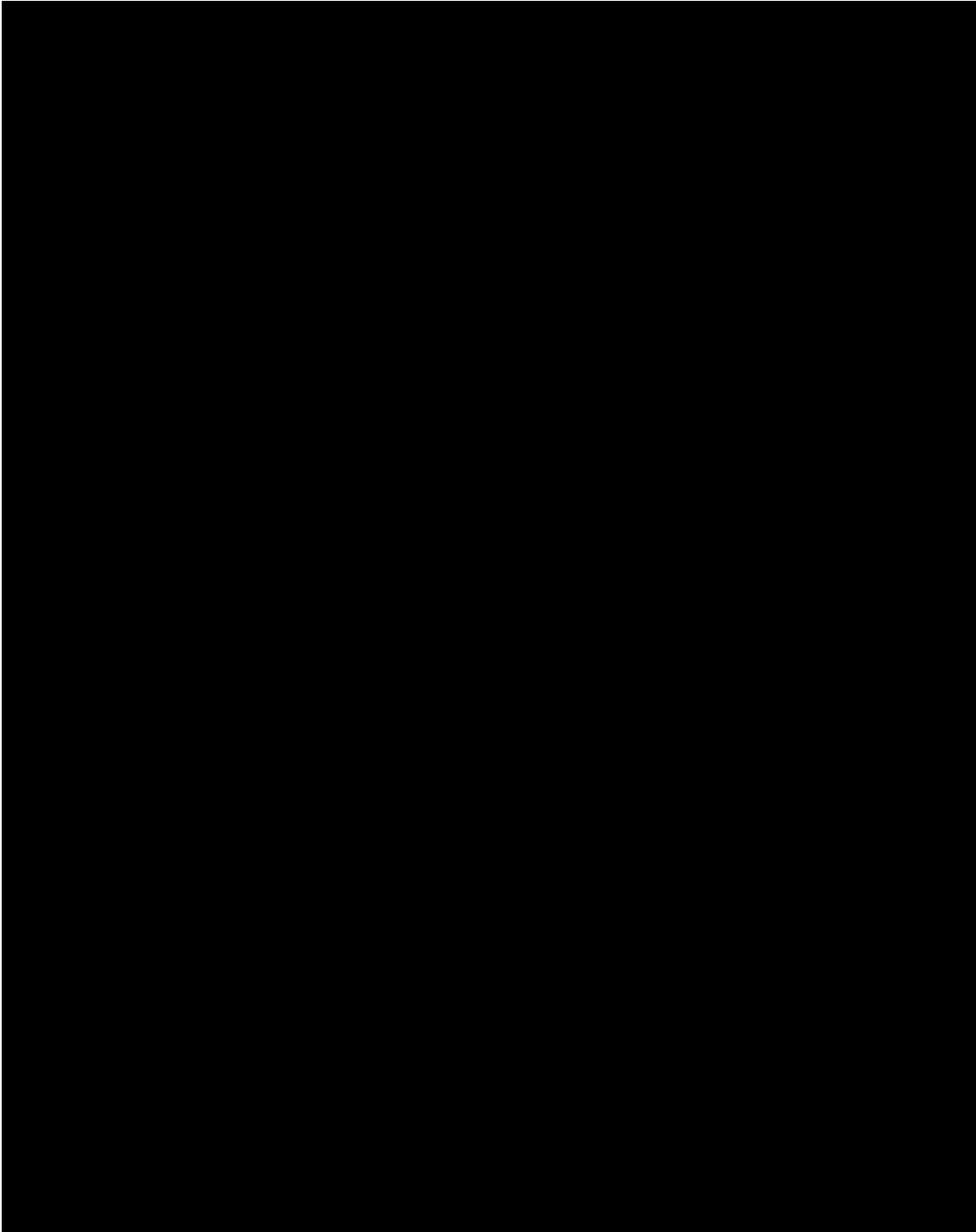


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The following projectiles were recovered from Jayland:

Projectiles, jackets, and fragments recovered during initial examination (32 boxes)

- *(1)- 1 box w/ bullet from exterior briefs
- *(2)- 1 box w/ bullet from clothing near pelvis
- *(3)- 1 box w/ bullet and jacket from hood of clothing
- *(4)- 1 box w/ jacket fragment from left pants buttock
- *(5)- 1 box w/ bullet from left shoe
- *(6)- 1 box w/ bullet from left chest sub Q
- *(7)- 1 box w/ bullet from lateral left chest wall
- *(8)- 1 box w/ bullet from left lobe of liver
- *(9)- 1 box w/ bullet from lateral lower lobe of left lung
- *(10)- 1 box w/ bullet from bladder
- *(11)- 1 box w/ bullet from right psoas muscle
- *(12)- 1 box w/ bullet and fabric from medial right upper arm
- *(13)- 1 box w/ bullet from lateral right hip sub Q
- *(14)- 1 box w/ bullet from left neck sub Q
- *(15)- 1 box w/ bullet from anterior right hip sub Q
- *(16)- 1 box w/ bullet from anterior upper leg
- *(17)- 1 box w/ bullet from right calf
- *(18)- 1 box w/ bullet fragment from distal right femur marrow
- *(19)- 1 box w/ bullet from sub Q over T-spine
- *(20)- 1 box w/ bullet from right back sub Q
- *(21)- 1 box w/ bullet from right buttock - lower
- *(22)- 1 box w/ bullet from left buttock - medial
- *(23)- 1 box w/ bullet and fabric from posterior right shoulder
- *(24)- 1 box w/ bullet fragments from right lower back skin
- *(25)- 1 box w/ bullet from deep right hip
- *(26)- 1 box w/ bullet and fabric from proximal right femur
- *(27)- 1 box w/ bullet from left hip
- *(28)- 1 box w/ bullet from left pelvis
- *(29)- 1 box w/ bullet from right lower abdominal wall
- *(30)- 1 box w/ bullet from right iliac crest
- *(31)- 1 box w/ bullet from right pubis
- *(32)- 1 box w/ bullet from left shoulder blade

In Jayland's wallet, Jaymeisha's driver's license was located.



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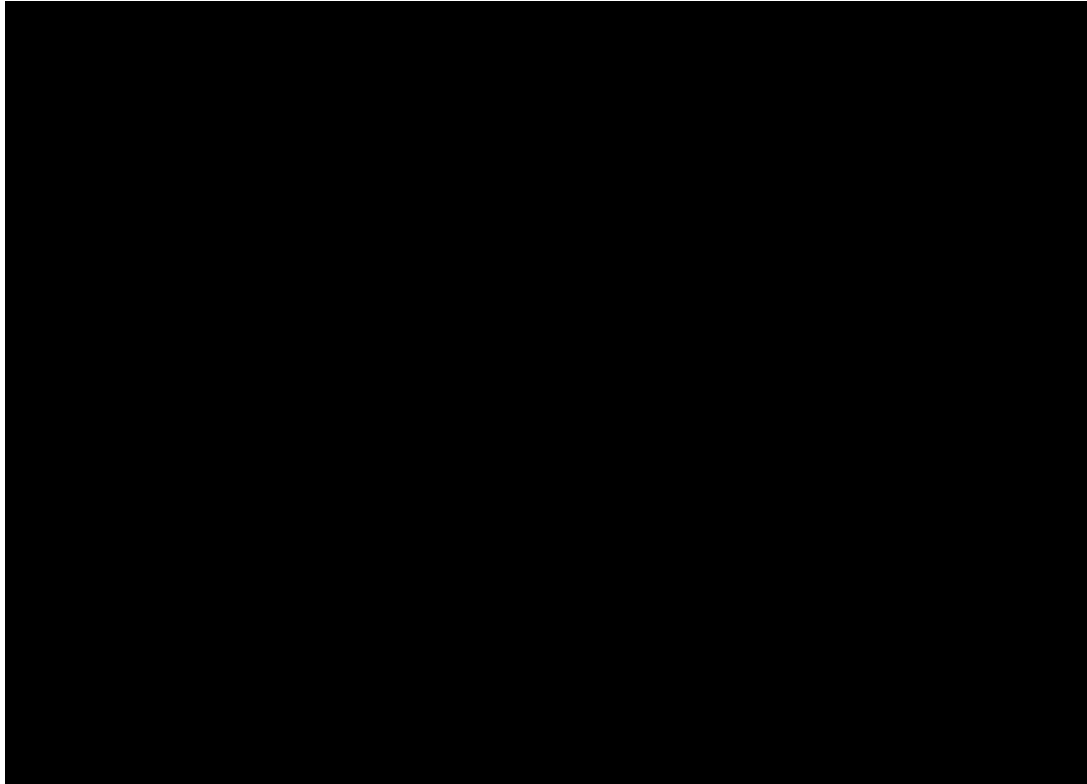


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Conclusion

When Jayland reached the parking lot area of 1659 South Main Street, after fleeing from his vehicle, on foot. The involved officer's provided similar statements about what had initially occurred, which caused them to fire.

Officer [REDACTED]

I'm getting closer to him because he's slowing down at this point. He then, still has his hands by his waistband. He slows down uh, turns around, and pulls his hand from his waistband quickly in the motion that you would if you're drawing a firearm, and points it at officers.

Officer [REDACTED]

The suspect when he stopped, he reached down, his hands towards his beltline, and he started to turn and bring his hands up, and that's when I heard shots being fired and started seeing muzzle flashes.

Officer [REDACTED]

I witnessed the suspect slow down from a dead sprint into a jog. I saw him pull both of his hands towards his stomach and to his waistband area. Uh, the suspect then came to a complete stop and made an abrupt turn at us into a firing position and pulled one hand up, pointed it towards us.

Officer [REDACTED]

Officer [REDACTED] then demonstrated the motion he stated the individual performed.



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Officer [REDACTED]

I observed the subject slow down, plant his left foot, reach with both hands towards his appendix area of his body that was facing away from us and simultaneously turn his hips in a clockwise direction and raise his arm.

Officer [REDACTED]

Mr. Walker slowed down, turned and did a cross draw, um, as if he was reaching for a firearm, um, from his left side, his hip waistband area. And then his arm came up.

Officer [REDACTED]

At some point in time he had turned around and faced officers um, and at that time he simultaneously had put up one of his arms in the motion that I believed that he had a gun.

Officer [REDACTED]

When I looked up the suspect was turned around. He had both of his uh, he had his, I saw his hands in his pockets. Um new, it looked like his right arm was positioned in a way that he was going to pull a firearm and he was getting into a firing position.



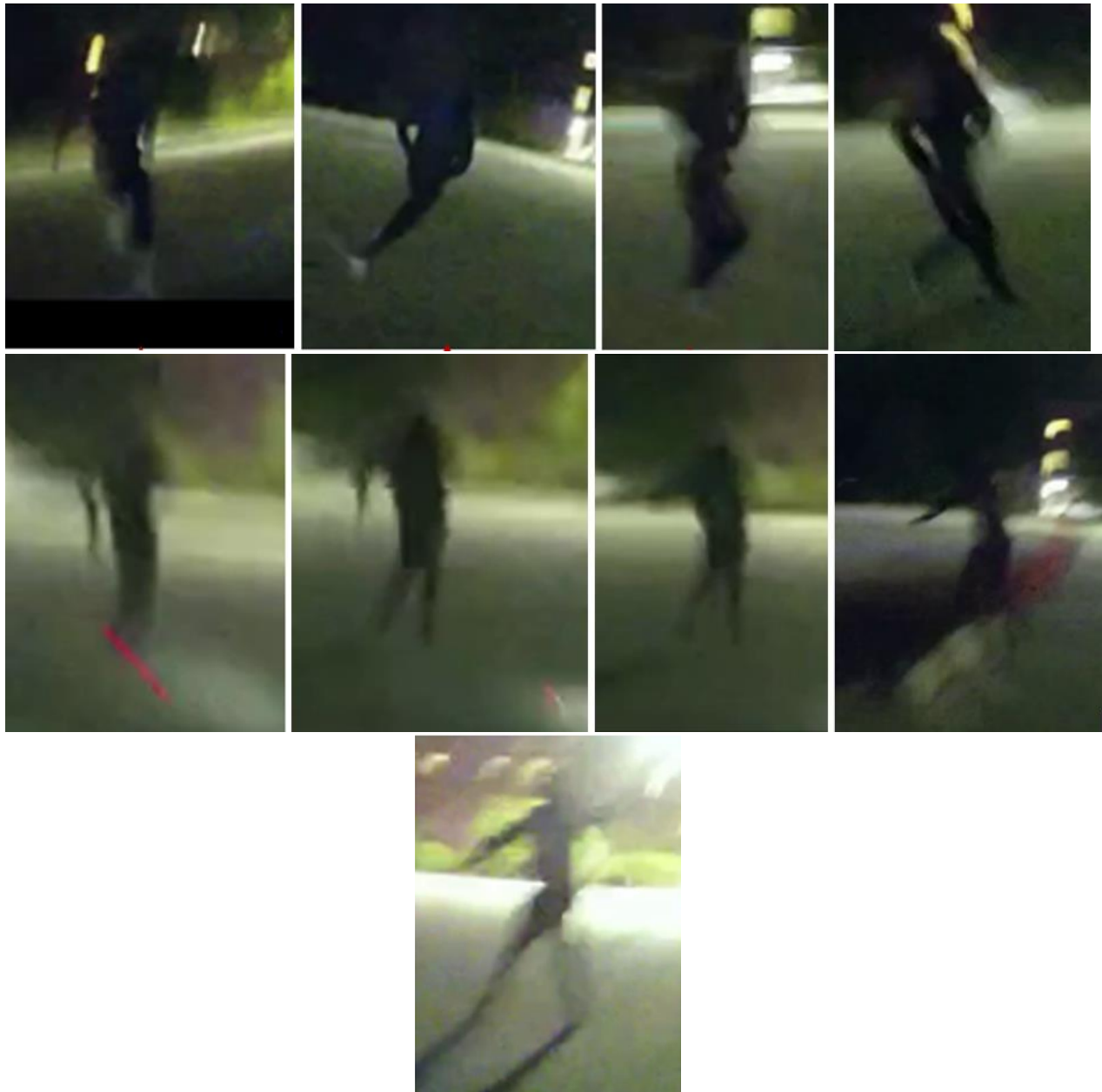
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The below images are of Jayland, captured on the involved officers' body-worn cameras just prior to any shots being fired, in chronological order:



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After the initial shots are fired, Officer [REDACTED] is observed on Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage jumping in the air.



Moments later, Officer [REDACTED]'s body-worn camera footage captures Jayland's arm fully extended. Officer [REDACTED] is observed jumping in the air.



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As previously mentioned, it was determined that each officer fired the following number of rounds:

Officer	Shots Fired
Officer [REDACTED]	4
Officer [REDACTED]	11
Officer [REDACTED]	6
Officer [REDACTED]	3
Officer [REDACTED]	18
Officer [REDACTED]	18
Officer [REDACTED]	18
Officer [REDACTED]	16

Officer [REDACTED] was asked, "I guess one question that people are going to bring up is the 17 rounds, or the 18 rounds you fired, is there, I know it's tough to, to go back and you said you went through tunnel vision and the shots fired, what prompted you to keep firing? Or what prompted you to stop firing?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "He was still moving. There was still a threat. I didn't know where the gun was. He was on the ground, he was still moving and even after I stopped firing his hands still raised." SA Momchilov asked Officer [REDACTED] if there was any training he received to deal with a threat or decide to fire. Officer [REDACTED] answered, "Just to fire until the threat has been stopped."

Officer [REDACTED] was asked "What caused you to fire so many rounds?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Because I thought he was shooting at me, I heard gunshots going off, but I did not hear people left and right of me shooting. I thought the gunshots that I was hearing was coming from him."

SA Momchilov then asked, "Could you see any, was he making any movements?" Officer [REDACTED] replied, "Yes, both of his arms were out, and he was moving on the, moving all around."

Officer [REDACTED] was asked, "Okay. I guess some people might say that you fired in excess. I mean, do you have a response to that?" Officer [REDACTED] responded, "I shot until the threat was stopped."

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When he was on the ground, he was still moving. People could still shoot guns from the ground. Um, people still reach for guns on the ground. I shot until the threat was stopped.”

Officer [REDACTED] was asked, “Some might say that 10 or 11 shots is excessive, what would your response to that be?” Officer [REDACTED] stated, “I mean, we were trained to shoot until the threat is gone and that’s, that’s exactly what I did.”

Officer [REDACTED] was asked, “And you said you fired a whole magazine?” Officer [REDACTED] responded, “I believe so.” SA Momchilov followed, “I guess some people might say that was excessive. What would your response to that be?” Officer [REDACTED] responded, “I discharged my firearm until the threat was neutralized. I believed he was still a threat even though he was shot because through my past experiences someone that is shot doesn’t mean the threat’s neutralized.”

The below images are of Jayland, captured on the involved officers’ body-worn cameras. The images are after the initial shots have been fired and Jayland falls on the ground.



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Approximately 30:28 on the time code

At approximately 30:28 on the time code, Jayland's lower body and hips rolled back to his left. The last gunshot heard and observed was at approximately 31:25-31:27 on the time code. Time

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from Jayland's lower body and hips rolled back to his left until last gunshot heard and observed is .93 of a second (28 frames total) to 1.0 second (30 frames total).

Based on the time code calculations, the entire shooting, the time from the first gunshot to last gunshot last approximately 6.7 to 6.77 seconds.

Jayland Walker

Jayland did not have a criminal history. Investigators could not find any indication that Jayland was involved in any type of criminal activity in the weeks, days and hours prior to the shooting.

In the weeks leading to the shooting, after Jaymeisha's death, Jayland exhibited the following behavior, to include:

- Text messages sent to Jaymeisha after her death
- The Google searches that include:
 - "what happens when you drink bleach"
 - "drinking bleach"
 - "quickest ways to die"
 - "how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"
 - "flights from CLE to Africa on June 22, 2022"
 - "how much is one way ticket to giza egypt"
 - "flights from CLE to Giza on June 26, 2022"
- The decision to buy 1145 Kohler Avenue
- Purchasing a firearm hours after his home loan was denied
- His vehicle being involved in a pursuit in New Franklin on June 26, 2022
- Driving around areas of Akron, Green and New Franklin in a random manner hours prior to the shooting
 - Going back to the exact area in New Franklin that his vehicle was involved in the pursuit the morning prior
 - Going to the vicinity of the Akron Police Department on at least two occasions
 - Returning back to the area of North Howard Street and Tallmadge Avenue after Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] stopped following his vehicle
- Fleeing from officers when Officer [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] attempted to pull him over
- Firing a shot from his vehicle

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- Exiting the vehicle wearing a Balaclava
- Placing his ring/wedding band next to the firearm that was recovered from his vehicle
- Keeping Jaymeisha's driver's license on his person

Contact Information

The preceding information comprises only a portion of facts and circumstances collected during the investigation of the officer-involved shooting incident. For further review of specific information or documentation collected during the investigation, please refer to the individual reports and documents from which this summary was derived. Any questions regarding the content or context of the information contained in this document can be directed to the attention of Special Agent Cory Momchilov. SA Momchilov can be reached via phone at 330-659-4107.