

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



2022-2876 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 256 N. Swain, LaRue, Ohio (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Involves: Sgt. Jason Flynn (O)

Date of Activity: 12/22/2022

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Narrative:

On 12/22/22, Special Agent (SA) Jason Snyder (Snyder) with the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI), conducted a taped interview of Sergeant (Sgt.) Jason Flynn (Flynn) with the Delaware City Police Department (Delaware PD). The interview was conducted by phone.

Sgt. Flynn agreed to be interviewed by SA Snyder at this time and date. SA Snyder asked Sgt. Flynn about an incident that occurred on 12/20/22.

Sgt. Flynn attended the morning briefing for the officers who were going to execute the search warrant that morning. It was briefed that Hellinger was known to carry weapons and had made comments of not going back to prison. Due to Hellinger's criminal history, the officers at the briefing were advised that this search warrant execution could be high risk.

Sgt. Flynn and his Tactical Team officers arrived at 256 N Swain Ave, La Rue, OH 43332, and stood by near an intersection south of the search warrant location. During the incident with Hellinger, Sgt. Flynn could hear a drone in the area. The drone was north of his position. The drone was moving in a northwest direction.

He could hear yelling in the distance, but could not make out what anyone was saying. After a few minutes, he heard gunfire. Due to not knowing what was going on or the direction of the gunfire, his team took cover until the firing had stopped. On the radio, he was told that Hellinger was down and additional support was needed at the search location.

Sgt. Flynn and his team moved up and assisted in securing the trailer and pole barn. They did not go near the area of the incident with Hellinger.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the interview. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the

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