



Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT



12/13/2012 INTERVIEW OF OFFICER WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM

Summary

On Thursday, December 13, 2012, Cleveland Police Officer William A. Cunningham II arrived at 4055 Highlander Parkway in Richfield, Ohio, the BCI&I Richfield Northeast Regional Office for an interview. Also in attendance were Sergeant Jim Ruth from the East Cleveland Police Department, Attorney Patrick D'Angelo, Jeffery Follmer and Steve Kinas of the Cleveland Police Patrolman's Association. This interview was recorded and submitted to the file as Exhibit #27.

Details

William A. Cunningham II is currently employed by the Cleveland Police Department and is assigned to the Third District's Downtown Services Unit (DSU). His usual working shift begins at 8:00 PM and concludes at 4:00 AM. He has a rotating time off schedule and works primarily with Sergeant Moss who also supervises him. Cunningham reports to duty in soft or concealed clothing.

According to Cunningham, around November 13, 2012 he and Officer Chris Wilson were stopped at a local fueling station so Cunningham could purchase a beverage. While there, a black female identified as Malissa Williams approached their unmarked vehicle and made a solicitation of \$.75. As Cunningham was issuing Williams a ticket for panhandling, it was found that Williams had two outstanding warrants for her arrest. As Wilson had experienced a wrongful misconduct accusation by a female offender earlier in the year, the two officers asked for a marked Cleveland Police vehicle to transport Williams. According to Cunningham, no marked units were available and he and Wilson chose to transport Williams to the Justice Center.

Wilson decided to record the transport and handed his phone to Cunningham to hold as Wilson was operating the vehicle. The transport was uneventful other than the verbal abuse

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Cunningham and Wilson took from Williams. On arrival at the Justice Center, an agitated Williams was transferred to the Detention staff for further processing of her warrants.

Subject Information

Name: William A. Cunningham II
Address: [REDACTED]
Cleveland, Ohio 44111
Telephone: [REDACTED]
Employment: Cleveland Police Department
DOB: 10/29/1972
SSN: [REDACTED]
Sex: Male
Race: Black
Height: 6'02"
Weight: 250
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown
S/V/W: Witness
CCH: None


