



Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT



12/18/2012 INTERVIEW OF OFFICER PATTY KATYNSKI

Summary

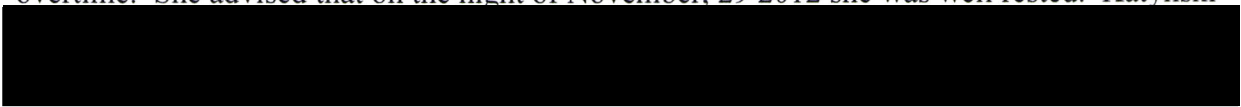
On Tuesday December 18, 2012 at 1727 hours Special Agent Perry Roeser and Cuyahoga County Sheriff Detective James Mackey interviewed Cleveland Police Officer Patty Katynski regarding her involvement in the pursuit and officer involved shooting incident which occurred on November 29, 2012 in the East Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. The interview was conducted at the Richfield BCI offices and was audio and video recorded. The digital recordings were transferred to discs and are located in the exhibit portion of the case file (Exhibit #69).



Details

On Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 1727 hours, Special Agent Roeser and Detective Mackey met with Cleveland Patrol Officer Patty Katynski, her attorney, Pat D'Angelo and Vice President of the Patrolmen's Association Steve Kinas in a conference room at the BCI offices in Richfield, Ohio. Special Agent Roeser and Detective Mackey properly identified themselves and advised Katynski of her Miranda warning. Katynski advised she understood and wanted to proceed with the interview.

Katynski advised she has 17 years with the Cleveland Police Department. She advised that she was assigned to basic patrol division and worked out of the second district office. She advised her days off were S-class and she was unsure who her direct supervisors were the night of November 29, 2012.

Katynski stated that 48 hours prior to her normal duty shift she worked no extra duty jobs or overtime. She advised that on the night of November, 29 2012 she was well rested. Katynski



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Case Agent: Mark Kollar	Authoring Agent: Perry Roeser 
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Katynski stated that on November 29, 2012 she was wearing her standard department issued blue uniform with an outer vest carrier, duty belt with issued 9mm Glock, Taser, extra magazines, radio and cuffs.

Katynski advised that she can't remember what cruiser number she was in the night of 11/29/2012. Katynski stated she is a FTO, Field Training Officer and had a new patrolman with her the evening of 11/29/2012 named Officer Alex Cruz. Katynski advised Cruz was operating the cruiser and she was handling the radio traffic duties inside the car. She stated the in-car radio was on channel 2 and the cruiser was in good operating condition.

Katynski stated in addition to her FTO responsibilities she was also certified and is part of the CIT, Crisis Intervention Team.

Katynski stated that 9 years ago she was involved in a shooting in which the offender died. She explained that officers responded to a suicide complaint, a man with a gun call. Katynski stated after arriving on scene the male subject pointed a weapon in the direction of the officers. Katynski stated that she and 12 other officers fired on the subject and killed him. She seemed to think the male subject wanted to die based on his actions, "suicide by cop" she explained. Katynski advised she was cleared of any wrong doing.

Katynski was asked how she and her trainee, Officer Cruz got involved with the events of 11/29/2012. Katynski advised that radio traffic was heard about shots fired at officers with a description and direction of travel of the suspect vehicle. Katynski stated that as they approached the chase they fell in behind the rear of the procession of cruisers. Katynski stated that they were unable to keep up with the pursuit and they disengaged. Katynski advised she and Cruz continued to monitor the radio traffic and attempted to re-engage in the pursuit. Katynski stated that the suspect vehicle passed them on 65th Street. Katynski stated that she looked at the driver of the vehicle, a black male. Katynski stated Officer Cruz pulled to the curb to avoid any contact with the suspect vehicle and all of the oncoming cruisers. Katynski advised that once all of the cruisers passed them they filed in behind and followed with lights and sirens activated. Katynski stated that at no time did she hear a supervisor on the radio terminate the pursuit.

Katynski stated that when they arrived and parked the cruiser in the East Cleveland area she heard no shots fired. She stated that after she and Cruz exited the cruiser they walked up a hill with an Officer Dooley toward the crime scene. Katynski stated that they inquired if all of the officers were ok and stayed back from the incident scene. Katynski stated she left her cell phone in the cruiser and received no photographs or text messages from any other officers of the scene. Katynski stated that after she learned the identity of the deceased (Timothy Russell and Malissa Williams) she had no previous contact with either of them.

Katynski stated that she and the other officers involved in the pursuit on November 29, 2012 took actions which were consistent with their training. Katynski stated that the information she provided during this interview was truthful and was unable to provide any additional information regarding this investigation.

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The interview with Officer Patty Katynski was concluded. Katynski, her attorney and the union representative departed the area. The interview with Katynski was audio and video recorded. A copy of the interview was downloaded to a DVD and was added to this case file as Exhibit #69.

Subject Information

Name: Patty Katynski
Address: [REDACTED] Cleveland, Ohio 44113
DOB: 09/21/1971
Sex: Female
Race: White
Height: 5'07"
Weight: 150lbs
Hair: Brown
S/V/W: Witness
