



**Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation**  
**INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**



**12/19/2012 INTERVIEW OF LINDA VOLL**

**Summary**

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Also present for the interview was Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association Vice-President, Steve Kinas (1303 West 58<sup>th</sup> Street, Cleveland, OH 44102 Ph. 216-631-8455)

Voll stated these facts:

Voll is assigned as a dispatcher for C Platoon, night shift (2230-0630 hrs.) for Cleveland Police Department. Voll stated that she has worked for seventeen (17) years. She has rotating days off (V-class). Her supervisors are Sergeant Petranek and Sergeant Tucker. She stated that she is current with all trainings regarding her dispatcher duties.

Voll stated that she felt nervous at the time of this interview.

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<b>Case Agent: Mark Kollar #142</b>	<b>Authoring Agent: SA J. Rigaud</b> 
<b>Date of Report: December 19, 2012</b>	<b>Exhibit #: 44</b>
<b>Investigative Activity: Interview of Linda Voll</b>	<b>Supervisor Approval: Dennis Sweet</b>  <b>JAN 10 2013</b>

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Voll denies any problems with drug use. [REDACTED] She uses corrective lenses for reading.

Voll stated that she has been a dispatcher during other vehicle chases and officer involved shootings in her career with Cleveland Police Department. Two (2) of which she mentioned involved the deaths of Officers Clark and AJ Schroeder.

Voll stated that on November 29, 2012:

- She was at the dispatch office ready to work 2230 hrs.
- The Channel 3 dispatcher who she relieved was approximately eight (8) minutes into the chase when Voll took over as dispatcher. She had not listened to the first eight minutes at this point.
- Voll stated that part of her responsibilities that evening was to pull up Channel 2/District 2 radio traffic and broadcast it to Channel 3 officers working District 3. Voll stated she would broadcast all she heard from Channel 2 to Channel 3 accurately.
- At the time she took over the dispatch position, she stated the chase had gone west and heading back towards their District 3.
- Voll stated that the chase was near 25<sup>th</sup> and Clark, nearing the steel yard, when she took the dispatch position. Channel 2 radio traffic then transmitted that the pursuit was coming east into the 3<sup>rd</sup> District.
- Voll stated that only one of their District 3 vehicles, 3B35 was part of the pursuit. Voll stated that she maintained radio connection with 3B35. She is not aware as to who the officer was driving that unit.
- Voll stated that she recalls the following radio traffic from Channel 2/District 2:
  - Vehicle had two (2) occupants. Voll stated she did not believe any further descriptors were broadcast regarding the occupants.
  - Shots fired from the vehicle
  - Someone putting a weapon out the window of the vehicle
  - Description of someone in the vehicle loading a weapon.
  - A zone car was rammed during the chase
  - Unknown supervisor from 2<sup>nd</sup> district inquired into the speed of the chase. As the supervisor was making a second transmission, the supervisor was cut off by other officers.
  - 'shots fired'
  - 'watch crossfire'
- Voll stated that she broadcast all of Channel 2 traffic to Channel 3. She further stated that Channel 3/District 3 officers kept radio air clear and did not speak much during the whole incident.
- Voll stated that after Channel 2 traffic stated that a zone car was rammed, she radioed 3B35 to see if further assistance was needed. 3B35 advised her that all was okay.

- Voll stated that after the 'shot fired'/'watch crossfire' transmission from Channel 2, she radioed 3B35 who advised that he was too far back to see if anyone was hurt.
- Voll stated that she also heard radio traffic between Sgt. Peters of Car# 9604 and Car#9627. Car #9627 inquired if they should be involved; Voll stated that Sgt. Peters said to let the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> districts handle it.
- Voll stated that her supervisor told her later in the shift that two (2) subjects were killed. She stated there was no radio traffic regarding the status of the chase's end.
- Voll stated that her supervisor in car S33 responded to the scene in East Cleveland following the chase. Voll stated that a 5<sup>th</sup> District supervisor requested crime scene to respond to East Cleveland.
- When the pursuit was ended, Voll stated she returned to her Channel 3 duties, sending officers to assignments she had been receiving for her district.
- Voll stated that her sister was the dispatcher for Channel 5/District 5 on November 29<sup>th</sup> during the time of the pursuit. (Her sister is Robin Vontorcik). Her sister told her in the dispatch room that the 5<sup>th</sup> district was not putting anyone in the pursuit. Voll stated that she also radioed this information on Channel 3 to her officers.
- Voll stated that she believes a 5<sup>th</sup> district boss asked for a check for at 205 West St. Clair for a crime scene.
- As the chase was ended, Voll stated she unplugged from Channel 2 and was not aware of any further traffic from that district.
- Voll stated Officer Al Almeida did text her following the pursuit. She stated Almeida asking her what time the chase had begun. She stated she did reply with the time of 2231 hrs. Voll showed S/A Cooper and S/A Rigaud the text on her iPhone. Voll voluntarily completed a consent to search form. Voll also willingly took a screen shot of the text conversation and emailed it to S/A Rigaud.
- In regards to the radio traffic from District 2, Voll stated that the tone of the officers' voices was higher than other regular chases. Voll stated that the excitement in the officers' voices and their yelling were similar to that when officers had been killed during such incidents.
- Voll believes she acted as she was trained to do.

S/A Cooper requested that Voll read and sign the consent form regarding the text from Officer Almeida. Voll allowed S/A Cooper to look at the text on Voll's i-Phone as well. Voll did complete the form. Voll, with the assistance of Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association Vice-President Steve Kinas, provided a screen shot of the complete text conversation with Almeida. She sent the screen shot to S/A Rigaud's email account.

This interview of audio/video recorded and added to this case file as Exhibit #44.

S/A Rigaud submitted the following document as an attachment for this case file.

- One (1) Consent to Search from Linda Voll
- One (1) printed screen shot of Al Almeida text conversation
- One (1) email page sent from Voll to S/A Rigaud's email

**Subject Information**

Name: LINDA M VOLL

Address: [REDACTED] West Farmington, OH 44491

Telephone: [REDACTED] (personal cell phone)

Employment: Cleveland Police Department

DOB: 05/13/1963

SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: F

Race:

Height: 5'02"

Weight: 175

Hair: BROWN

Eyes: BROWN

S/V/W: W

CCH: None



Messages

Al Almeida

Edit

Call

FaceTime

Contact >

Text Message

Nov 30, 2012, 4:22 AM

This all started at 2230  
right

Nov 30, 2012, 5:09 AM

2231

Got ya

CONSENT TO SEARCH

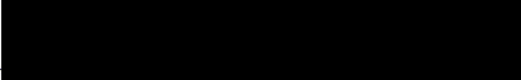
DATE/TIME: 12/19/2012 1100

I, Linda Voll having been informed by SA Cooper and SA. RIGAUO

who has identified him/herself as a Peace Officer and or a Law Enforcement Officer, of my Constitutional right to not have a search made, exemplars taken, or evidence seized from me without a search warrant, and having been told of my right to refuse such a search or seizure, hereby authorize the above identified law enforcement officer, with the assistance as needed of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Cyber Crimes Unit, to:

I. Conduct a search of my computer, cell phone or other digital media, further identified as:

II.

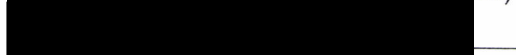
- a. Cell phone 
- b. Said search may include all data contained on the referenced Hard Disk Drive or other storage media contained in the referenced computer and any other storage media which may be located such as but not necessarily limited to floppy disk, zip disk, Personal Data Assistant (PDA), secure media cards, smart cards, CD, CDRW, digital camera media such as compact flash cards, magnetic tape or optical storage devices all other devices, in any format and, whether the data is stored in files, tables, other data structures, or unallocated space;
- c. Said search may include production and examination of a duplicate Hard Disk Drive or analysis files which contain all the data on the referenced Hard Disk Drive and or storage media, said duplicates, files, and data becoming the sole property of Ohio Attorney General's Office – Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation.

The above individuals are further authorized by me to take possession of any stolen property, implements of a crime, instrumentalities, or other property or data which may have been used, obtained, or possessed in violation of the laws of Ohio, any other States, or of the United States; and any physical evidence which is believed to be evidence of a suspected criminal offense known or unknown at the time; or any items that are believed to be relevant to the investigation of a suspected criminal offense.

This written permission is being given by me to the above named law enforcement officer voluntarily and without threats or promises of any kind, and is given with my full and free consent.

Linda Voll

Person Granting Consent (name / printed)



Person Granting Consent (phone number)

5/13/1943

Person Granting Consent (date of birth)

SA Kevin Cooper

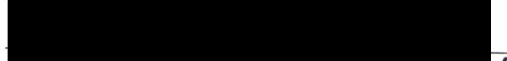
Witness / Title (name / printed)

Steve King CPPA VP

Witness / Title (name / printed)

Linda M. Voll

Person Granting Consent (signature)

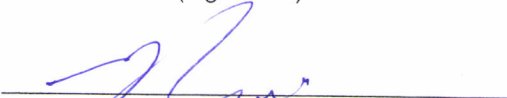


W. O'Quinn, OH 44491

Person Granting Consent Address

Kevin Cooper

Witness / Title (signature)



Witness / Title (signature)