

# CUYAHOGA CNTY SHERIFF



Incident Number

**21-20175418**

Investigative Report

Title / Subject: SEAN GRACE

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On January 18, 2022 Detectives Roberts and Harvey spoke with Sean Grace, who is a member of the Cleveland Division of Police. Grace was hired on November 26, 2018 with the Cleveland Division of Police and is 24 years old. Grace is assigned to the 3rd District B Platoon Zone 3 and works the hours of 1500-0100. The following is condensed from an video/audio recorded interview conducted with Grace in regards to the incident on December 12, 2021.

Detectives asked Grace what his assignment was on December 12, 2021 and he replied by saying 3rd District B Platoon zone 3 and his call sign for the day was 3B23. Grace further confirmed that his works hours on the day of the incident had been 1500-0100 hours. Grace was also asked what his days off were and he advised that they rotate and on the day of the incident it would have been his Monday.

Grace stated the call came in directly after roll call which started at 1500 hours as he and Officer Gulak were walking to their unit. Grace reports he was Officer Gulak's FTO (Field Training Officer) and once signed into their unit he had Officer Gulak take the call for service. Grace stated he and his partner began to drive downtown and they started getting more calls of a male who was walking around shooting. Grace reports somewhere in the area of East 30th and Superior Ave. an off duty officer came over the air and gave a description of the male who was actively shooting. Grace stated when he and his partner got over to East 12th, they both exited the vehicle and he drew his weapon and ordered the male to drop his weapon. Grace stated the male initially dropped the weapon and Grace ordered him to step back and get on the ground. Grace reports the male took a half step back looked over and began to move towards the weapon. Grace was giving commands to not touch the weapon and he eventually got to the weapon and picked it up. Grace reports that he picked the weapon up and turned towards them and they exchanged gun fire.

Detectives asked Grace what he did after that and he replied by saying " I went through one magazine and reloaded went back and he was still moving around and was a threat to us so I fired a few more shots". Grace further stated he and his partner moved the vehicle up, using it as cover and advised Officer Gulak to get the first aid kit. Grace further reports he and his partner went up and cleared the gun with help from the two off duty officer's on scene. Grace stated the suspect was placed in handcuffs as they waited for EMS to arrive. Detectives asked Grace if he knew who the off duty officer's were and he stated Officer Sanchez and Officer Smith. Detectives further asked if he knew which off duty officer radioed into dispatch and he replied by saying "I believe Officer Sanchez". Detectives asked Grace if he was in a marked unit the day of the incident and he replied by saying yes. Detectives asked if he was in his standard issue Cleveland Division of Police uniform and he replied by saying yes. Detectives also asked if he was wearing his body camera and was it turned on which he replied yes.

Detectives further asked Grace when his partner Gulak went back to the car to get the first aid kit if he rendered first aid the victim and responded by saying " I do not know I was walking back to the car with the firearm we recovered to put it in a safe place". Grace further stated when he was walking away he advised them to start first aid and was not sure if they did or not. Detectives asked Grace when they began to exchange gun fire, if the suspect fired first and replied by saying "It was very very close I can't say for sure who fired first, I just know once he turned towards us with the weapon we started firing". Detectives asked Grace how many rounds he fired and he replied by saying " Somewhere between 22-25". Grace stated that he fired a full

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magazine and then conducted a tactical reload and was not sure how many rounds he fired from the second magazine. Detectives asked at the time you switched magazines was the subject still a threat to you and he replied by saying "yes". Detectives further asked if his vehicle was equipped with a dash camera and he replied by saying "no".

Detectives lastley asked Grace during the time of the call or during the incident were you in fear for your life and he replied by saying "During the incident yes".

Grace was thanked for his time and provided with both detectives business cards.