



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



2022-2813
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 673 Slate Hollow Ct, Powell,
OH 43065 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Dep. Jadyn Cline (W)
Date of Activity: 12/13/2022
Activity Location: Delaware County Sheriff's Office Substation – 151 East Orange Road, Lewis Center, OH 43035, Delaware County
Author: SA James H Gore, #168

Narrative:

On December 13, 2022, at approximately 0010 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) James Gore interviewed Deputy Jaydyn Cline (badge #131) at the Delaware County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) Lewis Center substation. Dep. Cline was identified as a witness to a Officer-Involved Critical Incident which took place a few hours prior on the previous evening at 673 Slate Hollow Court in Powell. Dep. Cline was accompanied in the interview by Attorney Joe Hegedus, of the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association.

Dep. Cline mentioned that he has been employed by DCSO for approximately 18 months, and he is assigned to Patrol. His normal shift is 2 PM to 10 PM with Wednesdays and Thursdays off. Dep. Cline stated that on the evening in question, he was assigned to patrol Liberty and Concord Townships (District 6).

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Dep. Cline explained that he was assisting other deputies at a call in Orange Township when he heard the dispatch traffic for a domestic disturbance at 673 Slate Hollow Court. Dep. Cline recalled that the dispatch radio traffic indicated that there was a male on scene with a gun, and that he was possibly intoxicated. Dep. Cline said he responded to Slate Hollow Court with his lights and siren activated.

Dep. Cline said when he arrived at Slate Hollow Court, he located Dep. Ambrozich's vehicle and parked behind it. He stated that as he approached the residence, he observed Dep. Ambrozich speaking to the wife (Kelly Hinton) outside. Dep. Cline said he believed the wife had just come outside as he was walking up. According to Dep. Cline, the woman appeared distraught, and she did not want the deputies to enter the home. Dep. Cline stated that Dep. Ambrozich convinced her that they needed to check on the welfare of the other occupants of the home.

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Dep. Cline stated that the wife secured a dog in a bathroom as they entered. Dep. Cline said there was a small child present in the living room. Dep. Cline mentioned that as Dep. Ambrozich started to go down the stairs leading to the basement, he appeared alarmed. Dep. Ambrozich, according to Dep. Cline, then gave instructions to the wife and the father-in-law (Michael Hinton) to get the children out of the house. Dep. Cline said that Dep. Ambrozich attempted to talk to the subject (Sean Hinton). The subject reportedly said he was 'having a bad day,' and that 'he wanted his wife gone,' or something to that effect.

Dep. Cline continued, as other deputies arrived, they retrieved a ballistic shield from one of the vehicles. Dep. Cline said that Dep. Gaunt provided a shield, and he was also armed with a rifle. Dep. Cline said he took the shield and prepared it for assembly.

Dep. Cline said that he and Dep. Ambrozich had to physically restrain the wife from re-entering the home. He said they received instructions to back out and wait for the tactical team to arrive. Dep. Cline said while he was struggling with the wife, he heard shots fired. Dep. Cline said he broadcast over the radio that shots were fired, and the wife dropped to the ground. Dep. Cline stated that he was unsure who fired shots at the moment, but he turned and saw Dep. Gaunt at the door. Dep. Cline went on to say that the wife was placed in the vehicle with her father-in-law and children, and it drove away from the scene.

Dep. Cline said after the wife and father-in-law drove off, he went into the residence to assist other deputies. He said he picked up a black Sig P365 handgun and cleared it. Dep. Cline said Dep. Gaunt was standing over the male subject with his duty rifle. Dep. Cline said he took Dep. Gaunt's rifle out to his (Cline's) vehicle. As he was going outside, he said he told Dep. Conmay to retrieve his medical bag for Dep. Gaunt and Dep. Ambrozich to tend to the subject.

Dep. Cline said he put the pistol, its magazine, and the round from the chamber on the driver side floorboard of his vehicle, and he put Dep. Gaunt's rifle on the back seat. To the best of his knowledge, Dep. Cline did not manipulate Dep. Gaunt's rifle by ejecting the magazine or any rounds. Dep. Cline said he retrieved another medical bag from the trunk area of his vehicle before securing the vehicle and returning to the residence.

Dep. Cline said he handed off the medical bag to Dep. Jenkins, and then he (Cline) and Dep. Conmay cleared the rest of the residence. He stated that after clearing the residence, he and Dep. Conmay secured the area with crime scene tape. Dep. Cline said he placed cones next to some ejected shell casings outside of the residence. Dep. Cline stated that after the scene was secured, one of the neighbors to the left of the location came outside and asked him if the subject (Sean Hinton) shot himself. Dep. Cline said he told the neighbor that he could not disclose any information.

An audio copy of Dep. Cline's interview was attached to this report for reference.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-1213-00-09-24 Dep. Jadyn Cline Interview - SA Gore

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