

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



2022-2888 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1010 Wapakoneta Ave., Sidney, OH 45365 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Date of Activity: 12/21/2022

Activity Location: Sidney Police Department – Business – 201 West Poplar Street,

Sidney, OH 45365

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Narrative:

On December 21, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested to investigate the facts and circumstances surrounding an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred at Sidney Foodtown, located at 1010 Wapakoneta Avenue, Sidney, Ohio (Shelby County). The OICI occurred when Sidney police officers encountered Todd Jordan (Todd), who was armed with a gun inside Sidney Foodtown.

On December 21, 2022, at 1215 hours Special Agent (SA) Ryan Emahiser interviewed Sidney Foodtown employee Nancy Ward (Ward) at the Sidney Police Department (SPD), located at 234 W Court Street, Sidney, Ohio. The details below summarize the pertinent portions of the recorded interview. Please refer to the audio recording for additional information.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the audio recording. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions or responses. It is suggested that the full audio recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the audio recording.

Ward advised that she has been a cashier at the store for approximately seven years. Ward stated at the time that the incident occurred she was working at her register at the front of the store, and had just turned the open sign on at the front of the store. Ward said that Annette Wooddell (Annette) came into the store and yelled "call 911" and said that her son, Dylan Wooddell had been shot at in the front of the store. Ward stated that Todd then came in the front door of the store with a gun in his hand, not pointing it at Ward, but at his waist, pointed toward the aisle 1 area of the store, and looked at Ward and the other cashier, Diane and said "whoever wants to live better run." Ward then ran toward the back of the store and she heard a gunshot and thought that she was going to be shot in the back. Ward said that she was very

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frightened as she ran, and heard a second gunshot fired as she got to the back of the store. Ward advised that she and the other cashier (Diane) ran out the backdoor of the store and ran to an area away from the store behind the Family Dollar.

Ward said that she has interacted with Todd in the past, and advised that the former store manager, Keith had trespassed Todd from the store about a year ago. Ward stated that she was aware that Todd drank a lot of alcohol and would come into the store intoxicated and argue with store employees. Ward advised that Todd was always fine with her, and that she never had any direct issues with Todd. Ward did say that Annette has told her in the past that Todd has threatened to commit suicide, and has threatened to kill Annette due to their relationship problems.

At that time the interview was concluded, and SA Emahiser advised Ward if she had any additional information to contact BCI Agents.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-12-21 / Nancy Ward Interview

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Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.