

Witness Statement Form


Incident Date: 1/17/2024 Time: 1833 Incident # 2024-015839
 Address of Occurrence: 7702 Canton Ave. District: 4 Zone: 1
 Officer Name: P.O. Karli Ayers Badge# 635 Bureau/District 4 Platoon C
 Citizen Name: Robert Perkins

Witness Statement

On Wednesday, January 17, 2024, while assigned to 4A31 and in the company of P.O. Lyberger #1547, we responded to the area of E. 75th St. and Canton Ave. to assist with multiple shots fired at the address of 7702 Canton.

~~We initially responded to the Command Center, in the area of E. 78th and Spafford Ave., to provide possible background information for the suspect. We were then detailed to scene security in the area of E. 75th St. and Canton Ave.~~

For the majority of the incident, I was detailed to scene security. I did hear the CDP SWAT team attempt to contact Robert Perkins over their loudspeaker multiple times before it was stated that the front door had been breached. I did not directly see this happen, I was notified about it and moved into a better position. While positioned behind a zone car on Canton Ave., I did hear multiple shots being fired and took cover behind the zone car. When it was safe and feasible, I moved to a location with better concealment and possible cover and, once again, heard shots being fired. I did not see if the shots were from the suspect or the SWAT team. I then stood by until it was broadcast over the District 4 TAC channel that the suspect male was in custody, at which point I waited for further instructions from supervisors on scene.

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