

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



2024-1015

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 100 Block 8th Street, N.E. New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663

Investigative Activity: Supplemental Interview

Involves: John Peter Flynn (O)

Date of Activity: 04/01/2024

Activity Location: Flynn, John Peter - Home - 3825 Saint Nicholas Drive, Richfield,

OH 44286

Author: SAS Charles Moran, #67

Narrative:

On April 1, 2024, at 1554 hours, Cathy Clarke (Clarke), from the Trumbull County Coroner's Office contacted SAS Moran and informed him that the deceased subject, Matthew Flynn, had been positively identified during the autopsy. Clarke asked SAS Moran if BCI could make the death notification to Matthew Flynn's father, John Flynn, in Richfield, Ohio. SAS Moran indicated that BCI could make the notification.

On April 1, 2024, at 1701 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Chuck Moran (Moran) went to 3825 Saint Nicholas Drive, Richfield, Ohio 44286, to make a death/next-of-kin notification. SAS Moran met with John Flynn and informed him that Matthew Flynn was deceased. John Flynn was emotional and upset. SAS Moran provided him with minimal details of the incident. John Flynn did not know why or how Matthew Flynn could be involved in the incident.

John Flynn asked SAS Moran if someone was chasing Matthew Flynn. SAS Moran said that the police were not chasing Matthew Flynn when he crashed his truck. SAS Moran asked John Flynn if he knew of someone else chasing Matthew Flynn and he said he did not know.

John Flynn confirmed that Matthew Flynn lived in Richfield, Ohio. He did not know the address. SAS Moran asked John Fynn why Matthew Flynn was in New Philadelphia and if he had any connections to that area or to Dover. John Flynn said he did not know why Matthew Flynn was in New Philadelphia and he did not know of any connections to Dover.

SAS Moran asked John Flynn if Matthew Flynn had any substance abuse problems. John Flynn was initially hesitant to answer and asked if he needed an attorney. SAS Moran informed John Flynn that he could contact an attorney if he wanted to but that he was not suspected of any criminal activity. John Flynn later said Matthew Flynn had substance abuse issues with cocaine

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and had been to rehab a few times in the past.

John Flynn said his wife spoke with Matthew Flynn by phone on March 31, 2024, possibly around 1600 hours. After the call, his wife told him that she knew something was not right with Matthew Flynn. John Flynn said Matthew Flynn's cell phone number was 330-807-8169.

SAS Moran provided John Flynn with a business card and SAS Moran provided him with Clarke's phone number too.

The notification/interview was recorded on SAS Moran's Axon body-worn camera. The recording was uploaded to evidence.com. The recording was later downloaded from evidence.com and placed in the BCI case file as Reference Item A.

At 1536 hours, SAS Moran contacted Clarke by phone and informed her that the death notification had been made.

References:

A - DVD - BCI BWC Video Next-of-Kin Notification John Flynn

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