



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



2025-3709
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 4175 Brush Creek Rd.,
Manchester, OH 45144 (L)

Investigative Activity: Witness Interview
Involves: Dep. William Michael Parker (W)
Activity Date: 03/14/2024
Activity Location: 4175 Brush Creek Rd., Manchester, OH 45144
Authoring Agent: SA James H Gore

Narrative:

On Friday, November 14, 2025, at approximately 2337 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents James Gore and Amanda North (SA Gore and SA North) interviewed Adams County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) Deputy William "Mike" Parker (Dep. Parker) at the site of an officer-involved shooting which took place earlier the same date in Manchester. Dep. Parker was identified as a witness to the event, and the purpose of the interview was to obtain his statement regarding the matter.

This report is a summary of the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation, and it does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the interview. It is suggested that the audio recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the interview.

Dep. Parker advised that he is the School Resource Officer (SRO) Supervisor for ACSO, and his unit number / radio call sign is 81. He said he recalled hearing radio traffic as he was leaving a school sometime after 1500 hours, regarding a pursuit involving a subject with the last name of "Lindner." Dep. Parker said he staged his vehicle on State Route 125 but then headed into West Union once he heard the pursuit was traveling south. He recalled hearing that the pursuit ended at a residential property on Brush Creek Road. Dep. Parker said he may have been one of the last ACSO units to arrive at the scene. He stated that he reported to ACSO Sergeant Randy Walters (Sgt. Walters) upon arriving.

According to Dep. Parker, Sgt. Walters directed him to join Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSP) troopers on the perimeter along a creek bed north of the residential structure. Dep. Parker said his rifle was equipped with a variable powered scope, and he tried to position himself to see a large portion of the rear of the structure. He described the building as having three stories with a balcony on the upper level. Dep. Parker said

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from his position, he was able to see about three quarters of the balcony. He said the troopers were positioned to his right.



Figure 1: Reference map

Dep. Parker recalled at one point, troopers relayed that they could see movement on the balcony. Dep. Parker said that portion of the balcony was the one quarter that was obstructed in his view. He recalled seeing legs, but he could not see the suspect's upper torso. A trooper relayed that the suspect was armed with a long gun. Dep. Parker said he heard a male's voice state something about God and private property. Dep. Parker explained that as he was trying to position himself to the left to get a view

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of the suspect, he heard a loud gunshot from the balcony. He said the troopers to his right returned fire, and they yelled that the suspect was down. Dep. Parker said he moved closer to the troopers so that he could view the balcony better with his scope, and the suspect was motionless. Dep. Parker estimated that his initial position on the perimeter was approximately 100 yards from the structure, and his final position by the troopers was approximately 120 yards.

Dep. Parker stated that several minutes passed, then he provided cover for the troopers as they moved forward to the structure, to where a trooper's vehicle had been parked. He said he and Sgt. Walters assisted troopers with clearing the building after entry was forced. Dep. Parker said that no one else was found inside the building. He said he remained on the ground and lower levels, but he recalled hearing someone relay that the suspect was located upstairs, and there were multiple firearms present.

Dep. Parker stated that his body-worn camera was not activated during the incident.

The interview concluded at approximately 2353 hours. An audio copy of Dep. Parker's interview is available for review as an attachment to this report.

References:

No references

Attachments:

1. 2025-11-14 Adams Dep. Mike Parker Interview - SA Gore, SA North

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