



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



2023-1535
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 311 25th Street SW, Canton,
Ohio

Investigative Activity: Crime Scene Processing, Neighborhood Canvass
Involves: Canton Police Department (O)
Date of Activity: 06/08/2023
Activity Location: Canton Police Department – Business – 221 3rd Street SW, P.O.
Box 24218, Canton, OH 44701, Stark County
Author: SA William Conn, #51

Narrative:

On June 7th, 2023, Special Agent Conn and other BCI Special Agents responded to 2500 Block of Cleveland Avenue. Canton Ohio in regards to an Officer Involved Critical Incident involving the Canton Police Department.

Upon arrival S/A Conn was directed by SAS Lieber to assist S/A Valente with a neighborhood canvas, The following residence were checked with no response:

304 25th Street SW, across the street from the subject's residence;

312 25th Street SW, across the street from the subject's residence;

315 25th Street SW, directly south of the subject's residence; and

316 25th Street SW, across the street from the subject's residence.

S/A Conn spoke to the resident, Mr. Roger Mearkley [REDACTED], at 307 25th Street SW, directly north of the subject's residence regarding this incident. Mr. Mearkley stated he heard some inaudible yelling and saw police lights through his front room window. Mr. Mearkley also states he then heard five or six popping sounds. He was not sure exactly how many popping sounds he heard. Mr. Mearkley stated it was a short time between the yelling and the popping sounds, but he was not certain exactly how long. Mr. Mearkley could add nothing further.