



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



2024-1780

Officer Involved Critical Incident - [REDACTED]
Youngstown, Ohio

Investigative Activity: Interview
Involves: [REDACTED]
Activity Date: 03/13/2024
Activity Location: Youngstown Police Department
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Charlie Snyder #90

Narrative:

Ohio Attorney General's - Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) - Special Agent Orlando Almonte (Almonte) and Special Agent Charlie Snyder (Snyder) conducted audio and video recorded interview with [REDACTED] on June 13, 2024, at approximately 0512 hours. This interview was conducted at the Youngstown Police Department (YPD), [116 West Boardman Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503 - telephone: 330-742-8900] Investigations section interview room #1. The video recording was captured on YPD equipment, under file # [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] is the daughter of victim [REDACTED] and stepdaughter of decedent Matheu A. O'Malley (O'Malley).

[REDACTED] advised residing at the incident location with her mother, stepfather, sister [REDACTED] - 3 years of age and two brothers, [REDACTED] - 12 years of age and [REDACTED] - 7 years of age. [REDACTED] indicated her brothers were not at home when this incident occurred.

[REDACTED] advised she had been home with her sister all day. [REDACTED] believed [REDACTED] worked from 0900 hours until 1530 hours, arriving home at around 1600 hours. [REDACTED] indicated O'Malley had arrived home before [REDACTED]. Shortly after [REDACTED] arrival, [REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED] and O'Malley began arguing, until about 1630 hours when O'Malley left the residence and returned sometime later.

Later in the evening, [REDACTED] advised O'Malley sent a text message to her, asking her help in drowning a racoon, believed to be outside in a garbage can. [REDACTED] refused to help O'Malley in this effort. O'Malley continued sending [REDACTED] text messages about this and [REDACTED] called [REDACTED], who asked what was going on. O'Malley then came up into the attic area, where [REDACTED]'s bedroom is, continuing to ask her help in drowning the racoon and she continued to refuse to help him.

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[REDACTED] then indicated O'Malley began acting weird, eventually indicating he was taking sexual advantage of her. According to [REDACTED], this resulted in an argument between both [REDACTED] and O'Malley. [REDACTED] advised then both she and O'Malley then called [REDACTED], who then also came up to [REDACTED]'s bedroom area.

[REDACTED] advised she then told [REDACTED] what had been happening between O'Malley and her. [REDACTED] eventually indicated having had sexual intercourse with O'Malley in the past. [REDACTED] indicated that her mother had previously had suspicions of that.

[REDACTED] indicated O'Malley then became angry, accused her of lying and threatened to hit her if she did not tell her mother the truth. O'Malley reportedly grabbed [REDACTED] fingers and bent them back during this time.

[REDACTED] advised at possibly 0004 hours; she called the police from her brother's cellular telephone. [REDACTED] indicated O'Malley takes their cellular devices away on weekends, because he knew they would call police of him. She indicated this argument had gone on for possibly a couple of hours at this point.

[REDACTED] indicated hearing police at the front door of the residence. O'Malley attempted to quiet her down and stop her from answering to the responding officers. [REDACTED] advised when she opened the residence from door, she heard O'Malley cocking a gun. [REDACTED] yelled that her mother was in the room with O'Malley. [REDACTED] advised looking over and saw O'Malley begin shooting at police and then police shooting back. [REDACTED] advised this occurred as the police officer took one step inside the front door and as she was standing near them. She indicated observing O'Malley fall onto the floor at this point.

[REDACTED] indicated hearing police at least twice, ordering O'Malley to put his hands up and drop the gun.

When the gunshots subsided, [REDACTED] advised going upstairs to her bedroom, where her sister was located and crying. She advised remaining there, until a police officer took them both outside and had them sit in a police car.

[REDACTED] when asked, advised she is unable to recall the number of times O'Malley had sexual contact with her, but indicated it started when she was fifteen years of age. She indicated it often occurred in the residence or in his vehicle. O'Malley reportedly had never made threats to [REDACTED] to keep her silent about the sexual contacts. O'Malley was indicated as treating [REDACTED] well, buying her anything she wanted. [REDACTED] indicated never telling anyone because she was young and did not know any better and O'Malley told her no one would believe her, and they would take O'Malley's word over hers.

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[REDACTED] advised believing that [REDACTED] had called YPD also but may have hung up too soon. [REDACTED] advised she made a second call to YPD, indicating this time that O'Malley had a gun. She confirmed having not seen a weapon at this time, making the weapon announcement to expedite the police response. [REDACTED] was aware that O'Malley did have firearms in the house, including a small handgun kept in the bedroom. She also indicated being surprised that O'Malley would shoot at police. She indicated also believing that O'Malley was a felon and could not legally possess a firearm.

[REDACTED] confirmed there are security cameras around the exterior of the residence and garage that are connected to O'Malley's cellular equipment. She indicated the outside security cameras are connected to an Arlo system. [REDACTED] believes O'Malley utilized the cameras to watch the family members as well as the property. O'Malley's cellular access password is believed [REDACTED]", according to [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] was offered and refused assistance from consoling offered by the investigators. At approximately 0539 hours, the [REDACTED] interview concluded.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. 2024-06-13 - [REDACTED] - Interview - 240613_0348

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