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2021-0584

Officer Involved Critical Incident – Interstate 270 Northbound on Big Walnut Creek Bridge (L)

Investigative Activity: Crime Scene Processing (*Scene #1*)  
Activity Date: March 5, 2021  
Activity Location: Interstate 270 Northbound on the Big Walnut Creek Bridge, Columbus, Ohio  
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Chad Holcomb, #61

On March 5, 2021, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Chad Holcomb, SA Aja Chung and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Joshua Durst were assigned to assist the Columbus Police Department (CPD) on the scene of an officer involved critical incident. Agents were informed that Andrew Teague (Teague) was wanted on a felonious assault warrant and fled from multiple jurisdictions in a vehicle pursuit. The pursuit culminated with Teague driving the wrong way into oncoming traffic on I-270 causing several crashes. Teague exited his vehicle which was located on I-270 on a bridge that went over Big Walnut Creek on the southeast side of the city. It is reported that Teague discharged a handgun at officers. A Columbus Police Officer and a Franklin County Sheriff's (FCSO) Deputy returned fire. Teague was shot and pronounced dead at the scene. CPD and other law enforcement agencies secured the scene and called the BCI Crime Scene Unit and Special Investigations Unit (SIU) to handle the investigation.

Agents began processing the scene at 1753 hours. The scene was photographed as it was upon arrival. The scene was located in the northbound lane of interstate 270 on the bridge that went over Big Walnut Creek. Numerous civilian vehicles were parked on the bridge who were potential witnesses of the incident. All civilian vehicles were documented through photography. Teague was located on the side of the road next to the #3 lane (late furthest from the median). A white cloth had been placed over his body. Law enforcement officers had placed orange traffic cones over potential evidence that was on the bridge. The vehicle driven by the suspect was a 2016, gray, Kia LX with an Ohio license plate, GFS2080. The vehicle was facing southbound in the northbound lane and had extensive front-end damage and the airbags had been deployed. FCSO Deputy (Dep.) Severance's cruiser, 25-RK1, was in the #2 lane, just behind the Kia LX facing southbound in the northbound lane. CPD Officer (Ofc.) Kifer's cruiser, K9-7, was located in the grass median, just before the bridge, to the west of Big Walnut Creek. SA Chung used a Sokkia Total Station to collect measurements and to create a diagram of the scene. Numerous other first responding vehicles were observed behind the civilian vehicles and in the southbound lane of I-270.

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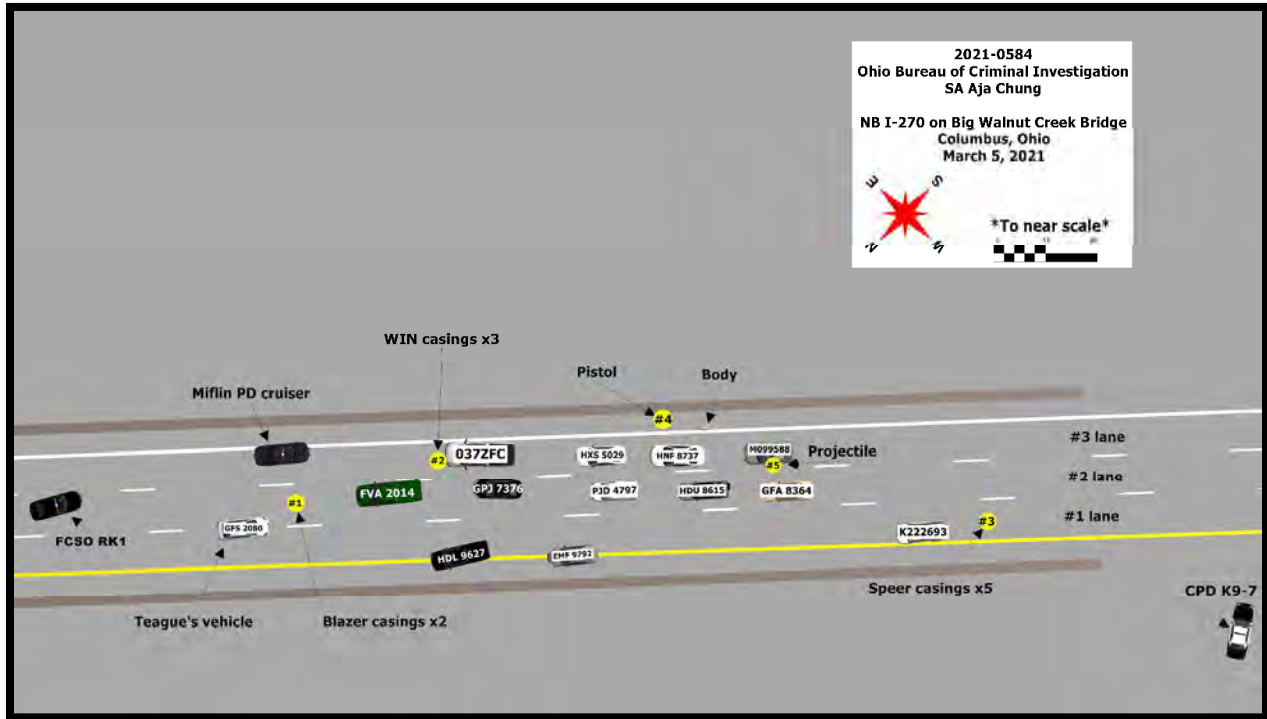


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*(Diagram of the scene)*

SA Holcomb observed two orange traffic cones in the #2 lane in front of a 2004 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 with an Ohio license plate, FVA2014. Two casings with headstamp 'BLAZER 40 SW' were collected as Item #1. Three orange traffic cones were observed in the #3 lane in front of a white, 2020, Ram Pickup 1500 truck with Ohio license plate, 037ZFC. Three casing with headstamp 'WIN 9mm Luger' were collected as Item #2. Five orange traffic cones were observed in the #1 lane behind a white, Honda CRV with an Ohio temporary tag of K222693. Five casing with headstamp Speer 9mm' were collected as Item #3. SA Holcomb observed a handgun on the side of the roadway, next to lane #3, near the body of Teague. The handgun, a Smith and Wesson, model SD40VE, had one cartridge in the chamber and a magazine containing 7 cartridges. The serial number on the firearm had been tampered with and was not visible. The firearm, cartridges and magazine were all collected as Item #4. SA Holcomb observed a ballistic event (BE) on the front driver side door frame of a gray Acura. The Acura was in the #3 lane and had a temporary tag of MO99588. The ballistic event was labeled as BE #1.0 for documentation purposes. The projectile perforated the top of the front driver side door frame. A projectile was recovered and collected as Item #5.

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*(Firearm [Item #4] located near the body of Teague)*

Once all evidence had been collected, the civilian witnesses sitting in their vehicles had been interviewed by SIU, and their vehicles documented, they were allowed to drive away from the scene.

With assistance from the Franklin County Forensic Investigator Eric Miller, the body of Teague was further examined. The white blanket over Teague was removed. Teague was laying on his back, with his left arm out to his side, his right arm under his back and his legs fully extended. Teague was wearing a black sweatshirt, multiple white shirts, black sweatpants, blue underwear and black Nike shoes. A handcuff was locked on his right wrist. A suspected bullet hole was observed in his forehead, stomach and the left side of his torso. Teague had multiple tattoos on his body. In the pockets of his clothes, agents collected multiple clear bags containing a white substance, a bag with green vegetation, multiple

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cards with the name 'Andrew Teague', \$121 cash, a black wallet and keys. SA Holcomb and SA Rick Ward both sealed and signed the envelope containing the cash. The cash and all the other items collected from Teague's pockets were collected as Item #8.



*(Body of Teague lying in the roadway)*

Agents met with FCSO Dep. Severance and CPD Ofc. Kifer inside the CPD Mobile Command Bus located on scene. Dep. Severance was photographed as he was upon arrival. Dep. Severance stated he used his backup firearm during the shooting and not his duty weapon. A round count was conducted on his duty weapon and it was full to capacity. SA Holcomb asked Dep. Severance to remove his backup firearm from under his shirt, clear the weapon and place it on the table. The firearm, a Smith and Wesson, model 3913, had a serial number of, [REDACTED]. It should be noted, the evidence receipt lists the serial number as [REDACTED] which is incorrect. The firearm had one cartridge in the chamber and five cartridges in the magazine all with headstamp 'WIN 9mm Luger'. The magazine had a capacity of eight. The firearm, cartridges and magazine were all collected as Item #6. Ofc. Kifer was photographed as he was upon arrival. Suspected blood was observed on his pants near his knees. SA Holcomb asked Ofc. Kifer to unholster his firearm, clear the weapon and place it on the table. The firearm, a Smith and Wesson, M&P 2.0, 9mm semi-automatic pistol had a serial number of, [REDACTED] and a Streamlight TLR-2 attached to the rail. The firearm had one cartridge in the chamber and a magazine containing 12

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cartridges all with headstamp 'SPEER 9mm'. The magazine had a capacity of 17 cartridges. SA Holcomb removed the Streamlight TLR-2 and gave it back to Ofc. Kifer. The firearm, cartridges and magazine were all collected as Item #7.

Agents completed their examination of the scene at 0020 hours on March 6, 2021. No other items of evidentiary value were located.

At 0108 hours, SA Holcomb placed Items #1-8 in the BCI temporary evidence locker in London, Ohio.

On March 8, 2021 at 0900 hours, SA Holcomb removed Items #1-7 and submitted them to the BCI Laboratory at 0915 hours. Item #8 was then submitted to the BCI evidence vault.

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