



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



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

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Shawn Clark (W)
Date of Activity: 03/05/2021
Activity Location: Incident Location – Interstate 270 Northbound on Big Walnut Creek Bridge, Columbus, OH 43232, Franklin County
Author: SA Perry K. Roeser, #114

Narrative:

On March 5, 2021, the Bureau of Criminal Investigations was contacted by the Columbus Police Division (CPD) concerning an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OCIC) that occurred on Interstate 270 N just south of Interstate 70. CPD officials explained that a vehicle pursuit began with a subject, later identified as Andrew Teague, with a felony warrant. CPD said the pursuit was cancelled due to the non-compliance to stop. CPD stated other law enforcement agencies ultimately spotted the vehicle on the I-270 Outerbelt around Columbus. CPD stated the subject turned around on the interstate and traveled southbound into the northbound traffic on I-270. Law enforcement vehicles pursued Teague until he crashed into oncoming traffic. CPD explained Teague exited his car and shot at police officers. Officers returned gunfire and killed Teague on the roadway. BCI's Special Investigations Unit (SIU) and Crime Scene Unit (CSU) was contacted for the OCIC investigation.

At approximately 1800 hours, BCI Special Agent (SA) Perry Roeser arrived at the scene's location to assist with witness interviews. SA Roeser learned that several vehicles were within the crime scene area with occupants inside those vehicles who needed to be interviewed.

SA Roeser contacted Shawn Clark at approximately 1853 hours. Clark was the driver of a 2004 Chevrolet Silverado, Ohio license plate number FVA2014, with no passengers. Clark explained he was traveling northbound on I-270 when he saw the head-on crash in front of him around 1630 hours. Clark said after the crash, he watched the vehicle directly in front of him come to rest (Andrew Teague's car). Clark said the driver (Teague) was visibly shaken up and was trying to open the door. Clark said he then noticed the driver looking around, and he saw the driver present a firearm. Clark described the driver as a black male, approximately 5'10", wearing a T-shirt and pants.

Clark said before the subject got out of the car, he witnessed and heard the subject fire

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a handgun in the northbound direction. After the subject exited his vehicle, Clark said he watched the subject walk backward on the interstate, firing his gun toward the officers positioned to the north of the crash location. Clark said he saw the subject's handgun and described it as possibly a Sig 9MM or a Ruger, chrome in color.

Clark said as the subject got closer to his vehicle, he ducked down inside his truck for concealment. Clark said he never saw the police shoot at the subject. Clark explained he heard a possible bullet ricochet near his vehicle after the subject passed his truck.

The interview between SA Roeser and Clark concluded at approximately 1902 hours. The interview was audio-recorded and can be reviewed for additional details. See attachment #1 for the copy of the audio recording.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01:803_0080 Shawn Clark