



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



2022-1115
Officer Involved Critical Incident – SR 339 near mile marker 3,
Belpre (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Ashlee Jones (W)
Date of Activity: 05/19/2022
Activity Location: Jones, Ashlee – Home – 1570 Wells Rd, Waterford, OH 45786,
Washington County
Author: SA James A. Mulford, #39

Narrative:

On May 19, 2022, at approximately 1330 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Jim Mulford (SA Mulford) and Jon Scale (SA Scale) interviewed Ashlee Jones (Jones) regarding an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on SR 339 near mile marker 3, Belpre, OH. BCI was advised that Washington County Sheriff's Office (WCSSO) Deputy Painter was involved in a vehicle pursuit with an unknown subject (Devon Taylor). The involved vehicle crashed into a civilian truck then ultimately spun-out and crashed into a ditch. As the deputy approached the vehicle, shots were fired. Devon Taylor died as a result of the OICI. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this individual.

This interview was audio recorded, and a copy of the recording was saved electronically within the case file. Please refer to the recording for specific quotes. The following is a summation of the interview.

Jones was identified as the driver of the Toyota truck (EIG-9528) involved in the traffic crash prior to the OICI. Jones was interviewed by local law enforcement and troopers from the Ohio State Highway Patrol. SA Mulford was notified that Jones had left the incident location and was at her residence awaiting further instruction if needed.

Agents traveled to Jones's residence where they made contact with her in her garage. Jones agreed to speak with agents regarding the earlier crash.

Jones explained she had left work and was traveling northbound on S.R. 339 on her way home. She just past the Belpre Animal Clinic when she noticed a small "black" sedan traveling at a high rate of speed towards her. Jones stated the vehicle came into her lane striking her truck and spinning her around in the roadway. Jones stated she does not remember a lot after

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being involved in the crash. She did remember getting out of the vehicle and calling 911 then walking to a neighbor's residence where they assisted her. Jones stated she remained on scene until after talking with local law enforcement. Her father picked her up and took her home.

SA Mulford asked Jones if she witnessed any of the actual officer involved shooting. Jones denied seeing or hearing anything after her crash. She remembered seeing the deputy's lights but did not hear any shots or see the secondary crash.

Jones had no further information.

Agents thanked Jones for her time and left her a business card instructing her to contact agents if she remembered any more about the incident. Agents were also able to inform Jones that her vehicle was towed to Secure Towing in Marietta, Ohio.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Ashlee Jones Interview