

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



2022-2608 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 28 North Paint St., Chillicothe (L)

Date of Activity:

11/17/2022

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Narrative:

On Thursday, November 17, 2022, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation responded to the Ross County Sheriff's Office (RCSO) located at 28 North Paint Street in Chillicothe, Ohio. BCI was requested to investigate an Officer–Involved Critical Incident (shooting) that occurred on this date between RCSO Sergeant Eric Kocheran (Sgt. Kocheran) and Nicholas Mitchell (Mitchell). During an interaction between Sgt. Kocheran and Mitchell there was an exchange of gunfire and Sgt. Kocheran was injured and transported to Grant Medical Center in Columbus, OH. Mitchell was transported Adena Medical Center were he died.

During the course of the investigation, SA James Mulford (SA Mulford) and SA Kyle Douglass (SA Douglass) were canvassing the area near RCSO attempting to locate Mitchell's vehicle or mode of transportation. During the canvass, SA Mulford and SA Douglass received a Dodge vehicle key fob from SA Chad Holcomb (SA Holcomb), who had recovered the key from the crime scene.

SA Mulford and SA Douglass continued to canvass the area, and located a purple Dodge Challenger (OH: JGS3586) which responded to the Dodge key fob. The vehicle was parked in the parking lot of Family Dollar at 72 North Bridge Street in Chillicothe, OH. The vehicle was found to be registered to Jamie Canterbury (Canterbury) at 276 Bowdle Road in Chillicothe, OH.

Agents conducted a cursory search of the vehicle as Canterbury had not yet been located. Agents left the scene to attempt to locate Canterbury, and the vehicle was secured by a RCSO deputy until it could be searched/impounded.

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