



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



2021-0888
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 500 South Cleveland Ave.,
Westerville, Ohio 43081 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Officer Mark Wojciechowski (W)
Date of Activity: 04/12/2021
Activity Location: Westerville Police Department – Business – 29 South State Street,
Westerville, OH 43081
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Narrative:

On Monday, April 12, 2021, at approximately 2034 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Jim Mulford (SA Mulford) and John Butterworth (SA Butterworth) interviewed Westerville Police Department (WPD) Officer Mark Wojciechowski (Officer Wojciechowski) in response to an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred earlier this date at Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital in Westerville, OH. An altercation happened between Miles Jackson (Jackson) and officers from the Columbus Division of Police, Westerville Police, and St. Ann's Security Department. Jackson died as a result of gunshot wounds from this incident. 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:

Officer Wojciechowski was interviewed in a conference room at the WPD. Also present for the interview was his FOP attorney Kate Harshman. Agents introduced themselves and informed Officer Wojciechowski that BCI was conducting a criminal investigation and his participation was voluntary and by no means an internal investigation. Officer Wojciechowski voluntarily agreed to speak with agents.

Officer Wojciechowski has works as a police officer for the City of Westerville for approximately 15 years. He is currently assigned as a DARE officer in the schools.

Officer Wojciechowski explained he was leaving headquarters in his take home patrol car, around 1425 hours, when he heard radio traffic reporting an officer-involved shooting at Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital. Officer Wojciechowski immediately responded to the hospital

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and was the first WPD officer on scene.

As Officer Wojciechowski approached the altercation in the emergency room he witnessed numerous security officers behind the nurses' station and a few law enforcement officers in front of the involved emergency room. Officer Wojciechowski took a position behind a female CPD officer who was kneeling on the floor. He could hear all officers yelling verbal commands telling the subject (unknown name) to comply with orders and drop the gun.

Officer Wojciechowski could hardly see into the room where he witnessed an individual lying on the floor. At that time, Officer Wojciechowski did not see the individual have a weapon. Officer Wojciechowski stated he it only been there for approximately 30 seconds and was unclear as to what was happening.

The female CPD officer asked others to cover her so that she could deploy a taser. Officer Wojciechowski stayed in the hallway, but moved away from the primary door. He then heard the sound of a taser being deployed and then multiple gunshots. From Officer Wojciechowski's position, he could not see what actions prompted the gunfire. He could only see multiple officers firing into the room.

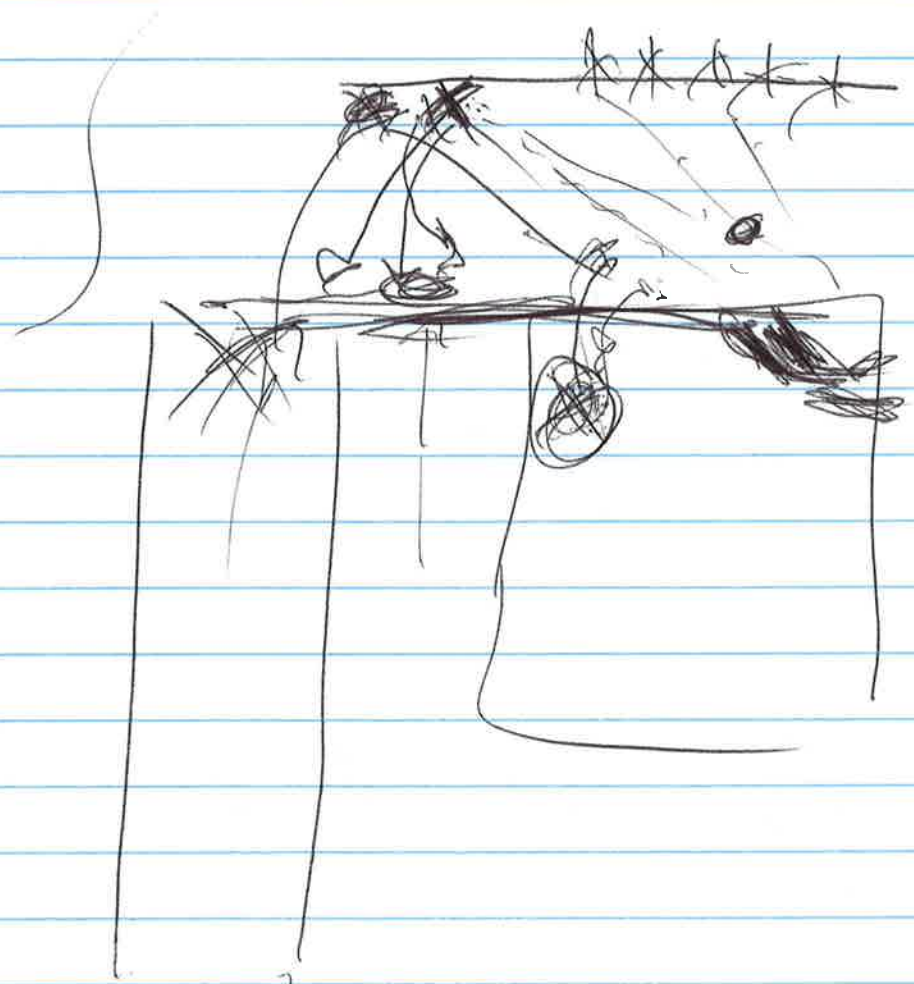
Officer Wojciechowski illustrated a not to scale sketch during the interview to help explain his participation. That sketch was saved electronically within the case file and is attached to this report.

Officer Wojciechowski reported he was carrying his department issued Sig Sauer 9MM handgun during the incident, but did not fire his weapon. He had no further involvement in the incident. The interview concluded at approximately 2047 hours.

Attachments:

- Attachment # 01:04-12-21 Mark Wojciechowski Interview
- Attachment # 02:Mark Wojciechowski Interview Scene Sketch

Book - eye w/ hand



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