



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 Officer  
**Involves:** Security [REDACTED] (S)  
**Date of Activity:** 04/29/2021  
**Activity Location:** Greg Peterson – 545 Metro Place South, Suite 435, Dublin, OH  
43017, Franklin County  
**Author:** SA Andrew Russell

**Narrative:**

On April 29, 2021, at approximately 14:45 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Jim Mulford (SA Mulford) and Andrew Russell (SA Russell) interviewed Mt. Carmel St. Ann's Security Department (St. Ann's) Security Officer [REDACTED] Ofc. [REDACTED] Badge # [REDACTED] regarding a fatal shooting incident between Miles Jackson (Jackson) and members of the Columbus Division of Police (CPD) and Mt. Carmel St. Ann's Security Department. The incident occurred on April 12, 2021 at Mt. Carmel St. Ann's Hospital, 500 S. Cleveland Ave., Westerville, Ohio. Also present for the interview was Ofc. [REDACTED]'s attorney, Greg Peterson and his paralegal, Catherine Schwartz. The interview took place at 545 Metro Place South, Suite 435 Dublin, Ohio, in the offices of Peterson Connors LLP, Attorneys at Law.

Prior to beginning the interview, SA Russell provided Ofc. [REDACTED] with a BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form. SA Russell advised BCI was conducting a criminal investigation separate from any internal investigation that St. Ann's may be conducting. Ofc. [REDACTED] was advised his interview was voluntary and that he could stop answering questions at any time. Ofc. [REDACTED] verbally confirmed he understood the contents of the form and signed the document further acknowledging his understanding. A copy of the signed Criminal Investigation Notification (CIN) is attached to this report.

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:

Ofc. [REDACTED] has been employed by the Mt. Carmel St. Ann's Hospital for about 10 years (Lab Tech) and has worked as a security officer for 2 years. During the incident, Ofc. [REDACTED] wore his standard security uniform pants, external ballistic vest and duty belt containing ASP baton and OC spray. He considered himself to be well-represented as a security officer during the

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incident. He stated he was not under the influence of any substance that would impair his memory or judgment during the incident or during the interview with BCI. He does wear corrective contact lenses, has no medical concerns and was well rested prior to the incident. Ofc. ██████ has experience as an auxiliary Security Force (Military Police) officer in the U.S. Military. Officer ██████ advised he has had no sustained discipline or use of force complaints and is current in his security/OPOTC certifications.

Officer ██████ is a day shift security officer and was securing for the day, but during the shift change briefing, a radio call came in requesting assistance in emergency room (ER) #9. This ER room is typically used for patients with anger, drug or alcohol issues as it is close to the Doctors/Nurse 's station. Second shift officers responded, but shortly after, the fire alarm went off and Ofc. ██████ responded. Upon reaching the ER, Ofc. ██████ could hear a commotion and people running out of the area. Ofc. ██████ then observed a Columbus Police Department (CPD) officer had somebody, later identified as Miles Jackson (Jackson), at gunpoint. As he moved closer, Ofc. ██████ saw another CPD officer in the corner of the room with Jackson. Ofc. ██████ stated that the CPD officer yelled "shots have been fired," "he has a gun." Officer ██████ then moved behind the nurse's station and could see in to ER #9 and observed Jackson on the ground. Ofc. ██████ then drew his weapon and pointed it at Jackson; he could partially see something black colored sticking out of Jackson's right hand. Ofc. ██████ issued numerous verbal commands of "put your hands on your head," "put your right hand up." Jackson replied, "my hands are up." Ofc. ██████ advised that Jackson's hands were not up, and he refused to move his right hand from his side. Ofc. ██████ then saw one of the CPD officers outside the room, tase Jackson. Jackson rolled onto his back and fired his weapon, possibly into the wall between room #9 and #10. He then brought the firearm up into view and rotated the weapon toward Ofc. ██████ the officers beside him, patients, and doctors in the area. Ofc. ██████ stated he assumed a two handed, sighted fire grip and fired 10 rounds at Jackson, he was aware of other officers discharging their weapons, but did not know who was firing. Officer ██████ saw Jackson lay back and then Westerville Police Department (WPD) officers and CPD officers rushed into the room. Officer ██████ felt that the shooting was his only course of action and in line with his training, policy, and procedures.

Officer ██████ then removed himself from the area, went to the security office to await further instructions from his supervisors.

SA Russell provided Officer ██████ with a crime scene diagram created by BCI for him to reference throughout the interview. The diagram illustrated the nurse's/doctor's station, surrounding rooms and ER #9 of the incident location. That document will be maintained electronically within the case file and is attached to this report."

The interview concluded at approximately 15:17 hours.

#### Attachments:

- Attachment # 01:21-04-29 ██████-CIN
- Attachment # 02:21-04-29 ██████-Diagram
- Attachment # 03:21-04-29 ██████-Statement (pg1)
- Attachment # 04:21-04-29 ██████-Statement (pg2)

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Attachment # 05:2021-04-29 Officer [REDACTED] [REDACTED] St. Ann's

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**Criminal Investigation Notification**

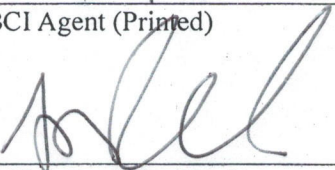
1. This investigation is being conducted in order to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated on the part of those involved in this incident. Specifically, to collect facts and information to be provided to the prosecutor and/or grand jury in order for them to determine whether the conduct involved is authorized or prohibited by criminal statutes.
2. Your participation in this interview is voluntary and you may decline to answer or cease the interview at any time. You are entitled to have an attorney present if you wish.
3. The criminal investigation is separate from any internal, administrative investigation which your employer may or may not be independently conducting. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. This is not a "Garrity" interview (where you could be required to answer).

  
Printed Name of Interviewee

4/29/21  
Date / Time

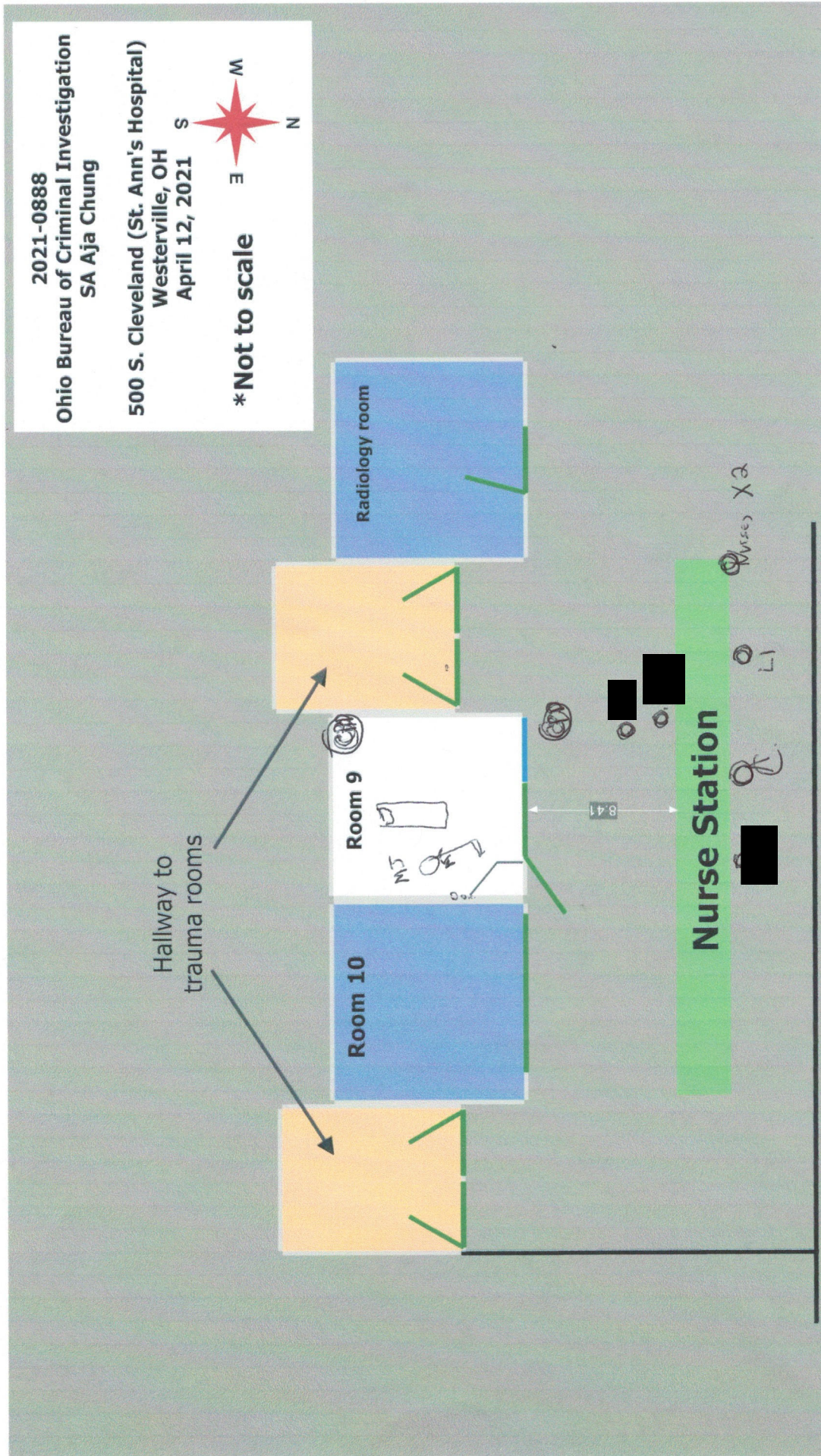
  
Signature of Interviewee

  
BCI Agent (Printed)

  
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Dear Special Agent Barbeau:

As you know, our firm has been retained to assist Mr. [REDACTED] with the investigation you are conducting into the incident at Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital on Monday April 12, 2021. It is our intention to be cooperative with your investigation and provide any and all assistance and information that would be helpful. To that end, we will be available for an in-person interview on **Tuesday April 20, 2021 at 12:30PM** in our office at **545 Metro Place South, Suite 435, Dublin, Ohio 43017**. We will also be available for any additional questions or follow up that may become necessary in the future. We will be as flexible as possible and will remain available to you and your team as requested.

Although the specific details of the incident are best left to a direct interaction during tomorrow's meeting, I can provide some general background and basic facts to hopefully assist with your interview:

- [REDACTED] was hired at Mount Carmel West as a phlebotomist, September 2012.
- He was transferred by Mount Carmel to a lab in Grove City in April 2019.
- [REDACTED] completed OPOTA training in June 2019.
- A transfer opportunity to Mount Carmel's security became available in July 2019.
- Since his OPOTA certificate was received he has been an armed security guard at Mount Carmel St. Ann's.
- Mount Carmel provides ammunition, uniform, and all necessary equipment but for his firearm which he personally purchased and owns.
- OPOTA certification is current, updated each year, has never lapsed or been late.
- From July 2019 to Monday April 12, 2021, he had not unholstered his weapon in the line of duty.
- He has not been the subject of any complaints, discipline nor investigation in his security guard position.



Monday April 12, 2021

- [REDACTED] was scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> shift from 6:00AM to 2:30PM.
- He arrived early, as he usually does, allowing time to change into his uniform and prepare for his shift.
- Nothing unusual occurred during his shift until approximately 2:20PM when he was in the security office just before leaving for the day.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> shift officers had arrived and were on duty as [REDACTED] was preparing to leave.
- He was going to pick up his son from school at 2:50PM.
- He heard over the security radio that assistance was needed in Room 9.
- Initially, he was not responding to this call as it was not out of the ordinary, his shift was over, and 2<sup>nd</sup> shift would respond.
- Soon after the security radio call, the fire alarm was activated throughout the hospital.
- Concerned the radio call to Room 9 and the alarm could be related, he immediately headed towards the Emergency Room.

The events that transpired between approximately 2:20PM and when he left the hospital after 6:00PM that evening will, of course, be the primary topic of our meeting tomorrow. As I mentioned, [REDACTED] will fully cooperate with the investigation and will answer any and all questions that you have. Should a follow up interview be warranted, he will cooperate with that, as well. None of the information I have provided should be considered a waiver of [REDACTED]'s attorney client privilege.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter and we look forward to meeting with you. If you have any questions or concerns in the meantime, I can be most easily reached by my cell phone which is 614-376-2445.

Very truly yours,

*Gregory S. Peterson*

Gregory S. Peterson  
Counsel to [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED] completed CPOFA training in June 2019.
- A transfer opportunity to Mount Carmel's security became available in July 2019.
- Since his CPOFA certificate was received he has been an armed security guard at Mount Carmel St. Ann's.
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