



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



2023-1809
 Officer Involved Critical Incident – 3110 E. Livingston Avenue,
 Columbus, Ohio 43227 (L)

Investigative Activity: Body Camera Review
 Involves: ██████████ ██████████ (S)
 Date of Activity: 12/01/2023
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Narrative:

On December 01, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Ryan Scheiderer (SA Scheiderer) conducted a review of the Body Worn Camera (BWC) recording (██████████ BWC) for Columbus Division of Police (CPD) ██████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████ that was associated with the July 08, 2023, shooting incident at 3110 E. Livingston Avenue (3110) between Antwan Lindsey (Lindsey) and officers from CPD and Franklin County Sheriff's Office ██████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████ that resulted in Lindsey's death. The following is a summation of notable findings observed within the recording. *All times used to document events observed within the recording would correspond to the timestamp within the video footage.*

██████████ ██████████ BWC footage started at approximately 19:53:35 hours. At that time, ██████████ ██████████ was working his regular assignment of 13B9 (1400–2200) with his partner, CPD Officer Corey Zacharitz (Officer Zacharitz). At 19:55 hours, Dispatch (Zone 5) can be heard advising a “██████████ taking gunfire” at 3110 E. Livingston Avenue (Zone 2). ██████████ ██████████ who was driving, activated the cruiser’s emergency equipment and headed towards the incident location in an emergency response. Officer Zacharitz can be heard advising Dispatch they are responding to the incident. At approximately 19:57:16, a male voice is heard over the radio advising “Officer down on Zone 2”. That is followed by Dispatch advising “Suspect is down. The suspect is down at 3110 East Livingston. The officer is not”. A moment later Dispatch advised “The shooter is a male White, black shirt, tan pants”. At approximately 19:58 hours, Officer Zacharitz begins reading off notes for the incident run via the cruiser’s Mobile Data Computer (MDC) which read the “suspect” was down. Dispatch also advised they were not sure if the detective was in plain clothes or not. At approximately 19:59, Officer Zacharitz advised his radio and the car radio were on Zone 2. As they were arriving on scene at 20:00 hours, a male voice is heard over the radio advising “County guy is advising they exchanged gunfire in front of that building... towards Livingston Avenue”. ██████████ ██████████ parked his cruiser in the street in front of 3090 E. Livingston Avenue.

██████████ ██████████ ran towards 3110 and took a position at the driver’s side door of ██████████ e

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██████████ (██████████) cruiser. ██████████ ██████████ then ran towards the rear of the apartment building at 3110 and at 20:00:02 hours a gunshot can be heard with ██████████ uttering "Fuck". The timing of that gunshot would be consistent with the negligent discharge by CPD Officer Joseph Whitehead. When ██████████ arrived at the rear of the apartment building, an African-American male wearing a blue or black T-shirt identified himself as 'Maintenance' and advised "They're inside the building" (See Photo ██████████ BWC 1"). Officers then headed towards the rear door entrance and a male voice can be heard over the radio identifying the "AD" (negligent discharge) from Officer Whitehead.



██████████ BWC 1: *Officers encounter maintenance worker at rear of building and he tells them "They're inside the building".*

At 20:01 hours, officers opened the rear door and announced "Columbus Police". Several officers entered the rear entrance, including ██████████ ██████████ who immediately went to the lower hallway. As officers opened the doorway leading to the lower hallway, one of them announced "Columbus Police". The officers entered the hallway and began clearing it. At 20:01:36 hours, an officer (CPD ██████████ ██████████ ██████████) can be heard yelling "Let me see your hands". That is followed by the other officers announcing similar commands several times. At 20:01:46 hours, ██████████ ██████████ is heard saying "Got a gun... got a gun" and then asking "Is that a gun?". At that time, ██████████ ██████████ is positioned behind CPD ██████████ ██████████ (██████████ ██████████) so his BWC is focused on ██████████ ██████████ back. One of the officers advised "Back up" and the officers started retreating away from Lindsey. At 20:02:04 hours, ██████████ ██████████ moves towards the center of the hallway (behind and between ██████████ ██████████ and ██████████ ██████████) and Lindsey can be observed standing in the doorway at the south end of the hallway (See Photo ██████████ BWC 2"). During this interaction, officers yell numerous announcements such as "Columbus Police", "Hands Up", "Drop the weapon". Officers positioned on the south end of the building can also be heard yelling commands at Lindsey. Officers advanced forward towards Lindsey and set up a position in the hallway with ██████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████ and ██████████ ██████████ kneeling. Lindsey is observed facing away from the officers in the lower hallway. (See Photo ██████████ BWC 3"). Lindsey is observed turning to his right so that his body is positioned

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within the doorway and only the right side of his body is visible. An officer on the south end of the building can be heard yelling “Don’t you grab that fucking gun. Get your hands up.”. Officer kneeling in the hallway can be heard discussing “cross-fire” and inquiring if any of the officers have a rifle. There are voices heard discussing officers at the front door and a request for them to get away from the door.



██████ BWC 2: First time Lindsey visible on ██████ BWC



██████ BWC 3: Lindsey facing away from officers

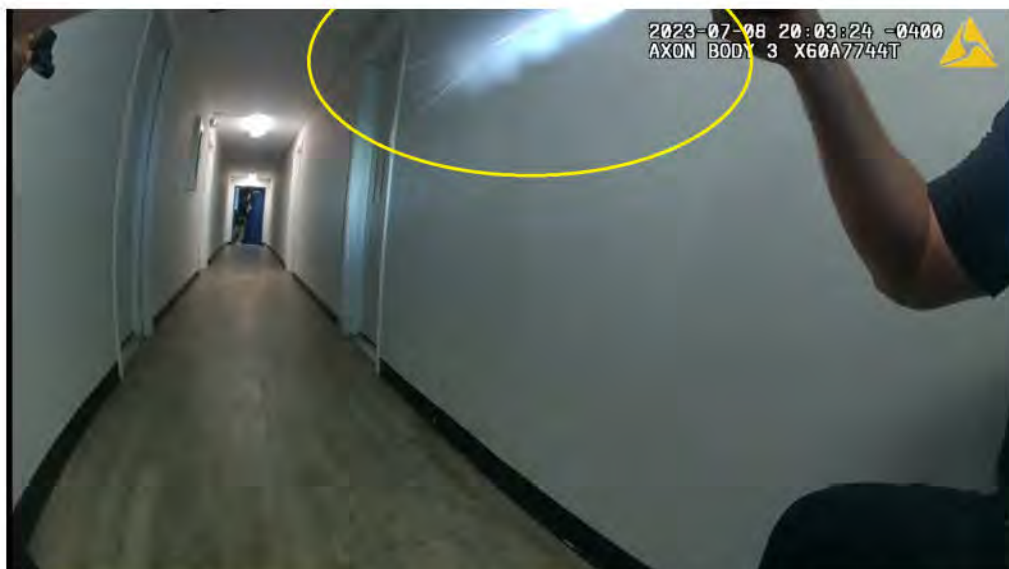
CPD Sergeant Jonathon Goodrich (Sgt. Goodrich) approached the officers kneeling in the hallway and advised “Nobody stand up if anything happens... you understand? Everybody stay down”. At 20:03:20, an officer at the south end of the building can be heard yelling “Going

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Taser” followed by additional communication about a Taser, but that was covered by radio traffic from one of the officers in the lower hallway. At 20:03:23 hours, a “popping” sound is heard that is consistent with a Taser being deployed and Lindsey is seen stepping or falling into the hallway towards the officers positioned in the lower hallway (See Photo [REDACTED] BWC 4”). At 20:03:24 hours, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] discharges his pistol at Lindsey and that is followed by additional officers discharging their pistols at Lindsey (See Photo [REDACTED] BWC 5”). At 20:03:28 hours, an officer can be heard announcing “Cease Fire”.



[REDACTED] BWC 4: Lindsey seen stepping towards or falling into hallway after Taser is deployed (audible indication)



[REDACTED] BWC 5: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] discharging his pistol at Lindsey

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After Lindsey fell to the ground, officers advanced towards him announcing “Blue... Blue... Blue”. When the officers reach Lindsey, one of them can be heard asking where the “gun” is located and then one of the officers point out the gun is located on the floor on the other side (south) of the doorway. ██████ ██████ passed through the doorway and entered the landing on the south end of the building where he met up with other officers. At 20:04:12 hours, a black pistol is observed on the floor at the bottom of the stairs on the south end of the building (See Photo ██████ BWC 6”). ██████ ██████ can be heard asking which officer “shot”, and then Sgt. Goodrich instructs those officers to exit the building. Officer can be observed providing first aid to Lindsey during this time. ██████ ██████ exits the front entrance of the building and meeting up with Officer Support. ██████ ██████ BWC footage concludes at 20:05:06 hours.



████████ BWC 6: Black pistol seen on floor inside front stairwell landing

From the review of ██████ ██████ BWC footage, there was approximately two (2) minutes between the time officers first encountered Lindsey in the lower hallway and the time they discharged their pistols at him. During that time, officers can be heard issuing numerous commands to Lindsey regarding his hands and dropping a "weapon". Initially, Lindsey can be observed standing with his hands partially concealed by his body and the door. Officers positioned on the south end of the apartment can also be heard yelling similar commands at Lindsey. Three (3) seconds before CPD ██████ ██████ (████████ ██████) deployed his Taser, Lindsey can be observed raising his right hand above his head and rested on the door. After the Taser is deployed (audible indication), it is unclear if Lindsey fell towards the officers in the lower hallway, or he intentionally moved towards them in attempt to avoid the Taser. That is when the officers in the lower hallway fired their pistols at Lindsey. It is unclear from the BWC footage how many times ██████ ██████ discharged his pistol.

This will conclude the review of ██████ ██████ BWC for this incident.

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CPD Axon BWC & CVS video

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